

#### THOUGHT OF THE WEEK / WHAKATAUKI

"It is the supreme art of the teacher to awaken joy in creative expression and knowledge." Albert Einstein (1879-1955)

#### **TERM FOUR DATES TO NOTE**

Mobile Library Visit	
Pet Day	
Labour Day	
Y7 & 8 Technology	
BoT Meeting 7pm	
Mountain Schools' Athletics Day	
Arts Intensive with Viv Aitken	
School Photos	
Inter-school Athletics	
Mobile Library Visit	
Owhango School Disco	
Taumarunui High School	
Orientation	
Inter-school Touch Tournament	
Owhango's Got Talent	
Senior Tongariro Crossing Trip	
Technology	
O'Donnell's Farm Trip	
Year 8's Leavers Lunch	
School Break Up 6pm	
Last Day of Term	

#### PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

This term the year four students will be in the senior class on technology mornings. This is so that they can adjust to the transition of working alongside the year 5 & 6 children, and so that Jessie Smith can better get to know what their needs are. Sad though the junior teachers are to see them go, we are proud of their achievements and that every one of them is ready for this next step up in their education.

#### **CLASSROOM KORERO – Seniors**

Reduce, Reuse, Recycle! Words to live by.

In the senior class this term we are going to be making reusable bags from old t-shirts. Could your child please bring an old t-shirt to school, without holes and obvious stains? Taumarunui has many great op shops with excellent clothing, some for as little as 50c, if you don't have any old t-shirts at home. Size 10+ would be best, no smaller please. Do not send new t-shirts as we will be cutting them up. Patterned t-shirts make great looking bags! Could your child please bring their t-shirt to school by Friday 8th November? Nga mihi, Jessie Smith

#### ATHLETICS DAY – Friday 1 November Urgent Help Needed Please

Thank you to the *two people* who responded to this request in the last newsletter and filled out the form!

We have mowed the field, dug out the long jump pits and painted the lines for the track events between rain showers.

#### We still need more offers of help on the day.

I have updated and attached the form to this newsletter. Either return it filled in, see us at school or give us a call. Thank you.



We love our volunteer helpers- here Stephen Wheeler paints the track using the new track marking machine

#### **PET DAY- tomorrow**

We are almost ready for the big day tomorrow. The forecast is okay, but a decision on whether we can do the pet part of the day will be made at 11:00am; an email will be sent to all families then saying yes or no.

Also, please remember to bring your own lunch as there will be no sausage sizzle this year.

Please bring some money to buy some of the kid's creations

One correction from last week's notice: there will be first, second and third prizes for pets to recognise the effort children have put into their grooming, caring and leading of their animals.

#### Pet Day Timeline:

8:30 Children bring their homemade exhibits 9:00 Children make a classroom exhibit

11:00 If it is wet an email will be sent to all families cancelling the pet categories.

#### Classes set up their displays

11:45 Judging of the classroom exhibits starts, children have their lunch

12:00 Pets arrive at school- children stay with their pets in the designated areas

12:30 Pet judging starts

12:30ish Classrooms open for viewing of entries and placings

1:00ish Sales table opens

1:30ish Pet leading

2:00ish Certificates awarded

2:30 Tidy up

3:00 Home time

#### HALLOWEEN DRESS UP DAY

The children have requested that we have a Halloween themed dress up day on Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> October. So we are. If you are not participating, then wear your school uniform. (Note it is the day before Halloween so that the year 7 & 8 children can participate- the 31<sup>st</sup> is a technology day).



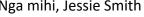
Part of the junior science work exploring ice

#### **PTA FUNDRAISER- Car rally**

Last Saturday the PTA had a fundraiser making lunch at school for approximately 60 members of the Taumarunui Vintage Car Club. It was a cold and rainy day, so the members were very happy with piping hot delicious soup, homemade bread and a huge variety of home baking and slices to go with their cups of tea and coffee.

A MASSIVE thank you to those that donated the pots of soup, cakes, cupcakes, slices and ingredients to make tea and coffee. The members of the vintage car club all commented on the quality of the food and were most impressed. The day was a success due to the smooth running of the kitchen by those that came on Saturday morning and worked tirelessly from 10:30 - 2:30. Thank you to those who also dropped kai off and helped set up and those that came to help clean up.

On behalf of the children of Owhango School and their whanau, we thank you. As everything we used was donated, the PTA fundraised a total of \$516 in profit from this event. Nga mihi, Jessie Smith





More lovely volunteers helping with the PTA classic car lunch fundraiser



One of the participants in the car rally departing with a full belly

### PTA ATHLETICS DAY FUNDRAISER – Donations please

Thank you to all the families who donated food for the recent car rally fundraiser. It was most appreciated.

We would love donations of any of the listed food items for the up-coming Athletics Day food stall to help with the costs.

We will need:

Pastry, bacon and eggs (for bacon and egg pies to be made) – <u>please leave at school by Wednesday.</u>

Cheese, lettuce, carrots, tomatoes, large wraps, salad dressing and baking e.g. biscuits and slices – <u>please leave at school by Thursday.</u>

We thank you for your support and any assistance you can give.

Please contact Trudie cell: 027 263 7994.

#### THE TONGARIRO CROSSING TRIP

Following a request from the senior students, on the Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December the senior class will be walking the Tongariro Crossing (roll over day Monday 9 December). This is one of the most stunning walks in New Zealand if not the whole world and we are very lucky to have such an adventure on our doorstep. It is a serious hike of approximately 7-8 hours in duration. We expect all the year 6-8 students to participate, however it is optional for the year 5 students. If there is a medical reason your child cannot participate then please let me know. We will need to be fit and healthy to complete a hike of this length and the children will be training for this before we go. I need to see how many students and adults will be attending before transport arrangements are made, so please fill in the form below. There will be a cost for the shuttle bus for this trip. Nga mihi, Jessie Smith

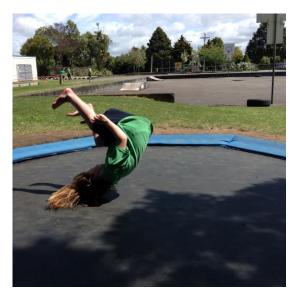
#### **SPEECH COMPETITION**

On Tuesday the 22<sup>nd</sup> October, we were lucky enough to attend the Taumarunui Toastmasters Speech Competition. There were eleven contestants in the competition, including us. We were in the AV room with the tiered seating and lots of people staring at us as we talked. There were two parts to the competition.

The first was a prepared speech that had to last between three to five minutes. Our prepared speeches were about Palm Oil, and How Technology Has Developed Over the Years. I was so relieved when it was over. The other part was an impromptu speech that had to be one minute long. Everyone's topic was Our Favourite Dessert. It made us feel very nervous because we had to make it up on the spot. Most of the people talked about ice cream. I did too but I found it easy because my mum makes ice cream, so I talked about that. We would like to say a huge thank you to Whaea Theresa for taking us in and being our parent watcher. Gracias amigo By Tia Lord & Jack Owen

#### **TRAMPOLINE PHOTOS**

Last week I had Rose Bryan and Hazel O'Donnell come to me at lunchtime and ask if they could take some photos of the children playing on the trampoline for the newsletter. Of course, I said "Yes". So here are their best shots:



Rose Bryan does a flip



Elise Frampton flies high

#### SCHOLASTIC a reminder

Catalogue #7 has been issued. Please have your orders returned to office by 31 October.

#### **SEASON PASS RETURNS- a reminder**

Can all the children please return their RAL Season Passes to school for safekeeping? This will give the school a \$5 discount on purchasing them pass next year, saving us \$230! Please hand them into the office. Thank you.

#### **BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING a reminder**

The next BoT meeting is on Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> October at 7pm in the staffroom. All are welcome to attend.

#### SCHOOL PHOTOS

Photos will be taken on Monday 11 November. Envelopes have an Individual reference code, so it is important that you do use these for your orders. Class photo \$16

Up-size class \$18 Value Pack \$32 Premium Pack \$37 Ultimate Pack \$45 Sibling Packs Big \$30 Small \$20 Sports photos \$16

Sports photos of Hockey, Netball x2 teams and Basketball will be taken. Your orders for these to the office please.

## **GLOBAL FLAVOURS**

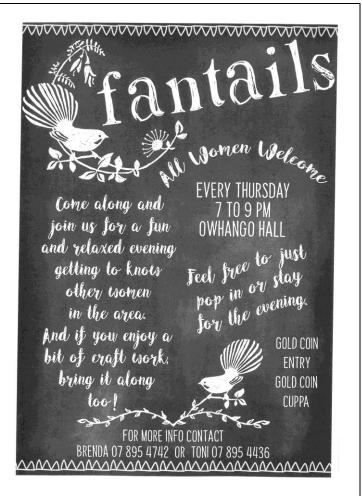
Recipes from around the world and from different cultures, all include foods from the four food groups.

Stay tuned for the next 9 weeks as we take you on a global food adventure, with exciting recipes to try at home.

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#### THANKS TO OUR SPONSORS FOR THIS YEAR:

Milk in Schools: Fonterra Silage for our Vegetable Garden: Darren Brown Sand for our Sand Pit: Jilesen Contractors & King Country Quarries Fence Battens for the Playground: Farmlands Our Garden Sponsor: D.V. Bryant Trust Pool Chlorine & Netball Fees & Truck use: Veolia Our Duffy Books in Schools sponsors: Midwest Helicopters, DG Brown Contracting, Doyle Valuations, B & C O'Donnell, Owhango Motors.

#### PAYING BY INTERNET BANKING DETAILS:

<u>Stationery/sports/trip fees:</u> 03 0426 0141783 00 <u>Uniform purchases</u>: 03 0426 0141783 03 <u>PTA:</u> 030 426 0156205 00

#### ASSISTANCE WITH ATHLETICS DAY

#### FAMILY NAME \_\_\_\_\_

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I am available to assist on the actual Athletics Day (1 November) in the following ways: (Please tick)

• Someone to collect the gazebo, tables and equipment from school and transporting them to the domain in a ute or trailer in the morning and return them at the end of the day

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• Setting up the domain, commencing at 8:30 am

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- End of the racetrack judges x2, (this could be shared so you do it for half of the day)
- Assisting run the sock put, javelin and gumboot throw for the midgets and junior age group
- Assisting the race starter x1(this could be shared so you do it for half of the day)
- Manning the PTA's food stall

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	<u>The Senior Class Tongariro Crossing Trip</u> <u>Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December</u> (roll over day Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> December)
Please circle one option below:	
Yes, my child	will be attending the Tongariro crossing.
No, my child	will not be attending the Tongariro crossing.
Parent assistance: I Crossing.	can / cannot accompany the senior class on the Tongariro
If NO, please give reasons below (for	or year 6-8 students only):

# OWHANGO SCHOOL

This year pet day will be held on Friday 25 October.

Students are requested to make a **minimum of two** and a **maximum of four** individual activities:

A GIFT

• A gift for a grandparent.

COOKING

- Decorated baking decorated like an animal or in a spring theme.
  - Homemade sweets & other baking

#### GROWING

• A growing container garden, e.g. tub of veges, hanging basket etc

• A decorative sand saucer or miniature garden

#### CONSTRUCTING

These two activities may be a group or an individual activity

- A marble run- judging criteria- to make the marble run for the longest time without someone pushing it once it has started
- A boat or raft judging criteria- that will support at least one person and can paddle the length of the school pool

#### These are all to be **prepared at home**.

Creations must be **made by the students,** not by the parents and not store bought.

We will also have a table for pre-schoolers' entries.

Please do not name your work; we will give you stickers with your special anonymous code on it.

Students will be doing additional activities at school.

#### Sales Table

After the judging of the displays, the children will be able to offer their work for sale with 50% going to the child and 50% going to the PTA. The children will need to price their own goods.