

# **OWHANGO SCHOOL PANUI**

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# THOUGHT OF THE WEEK / WHAKATAUKI

"He tangata takahi manuhiri, he marae puehu." A person who mistreats his guest has a dusty Marae

Someone who disregards their visitors will soon find they have no visitors at all. This accentuates the importance of Manaakitanga, or hospitality with Maori society and culture.

### TERM FOUR DATES TO NOTE

Mobile Library Visit	
Owhango School Disco	
Yr 7&8 Technology	
Taumarunui High School	
Orientation	
Inter-school Touch Tournament	
8:15 departure	
Owhango's Got Talent	
Senior Tongariro Crossing Trip &	
Junior Taranaki Falls Trip	
Postponement date for the trips	
Yr 7&8 Technology	
O'Donnell's Farm Trip	
Year 8's Leavers Lunch	
School Break Up 6pm	
Last Day of Term	
First Day of Term 1	

# PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

We love having Duffy Books at our school. They provide new books that are of a high quality to give to the kids as rewards for their hard work, and more books for the kids to have that they have chosen themselves.

The scheme was created by author Alan Duff in 1995 to support children owning and reading books. There are now 520 schools in the scheme with over 12 million books given to children in Aotearoa!

It works by having sponsors who help to fund the books- Mainfreight has been supporting it from

day one, the government is also a sponsor. As a school we are expected to also find local sponsors to fund the \$800 local cost each year. We are very grateful to our local sponsors who have committed to supporting this excellent scheme for another year: Midwest Helicopters DG Brown Contracting Doyle Valuations B & C O'Donnell Owhango Motors Thank you, this couldn't happen without you.

# **CLASSROOM KORERO- Juniors**

The junior room, especially the year 2-4 children are currently doing an "Own Study". This was a request by some of the children earlier this year to do a study on something that interests them. In preparation towards this they have been learning to read and summarise a piece of writing, to write information in their own words, to write a wellstructured information report.

They are currently at the 'find information' stage. They have found some interesting stuff on hedgehogs, gorillas and foxes. Next, they will collate their information into groups or paragraphs, then they will decide how they will present their information.

# DISCO- This Friday (Tomorrow!)

On Friday the 22nd November there will be a disco from 6pm to 8pm, organised by the year 8s, at the Owhango Hall. There is no dress-up theme, but you can wear formal clothes that are easy to dance in. Would everyone please be able to **bring a plate to share for supper**? Parents do not need to stay as there will be teachers supervising the students, but you are welcome to stay and join in the dancing. However, please collect your kids promptly at 8pm!

#### **THE TONGARIRO ALPINE CROSSING TRIP-Year 5-8**

This Friday 22 November, Constable Aaron Owen is coming into the senior class to give a talk regarding The Tongariro Crossing. He will be bringing a backpack filled with everything the students will need for our hike. Together we will then write a list of essential items that they will need for our hike. The tamariki will bring this list home with them on Friday. Please start to prepare this backpack with your child as soon as possible. It is now only 2 weeks away, **Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December**. Ngā mihi, Jessie Smith.

#### **TARANAKI FALLS TRIP- Year 0-5**

Thank you to everyone who has got their permission slips in. We are waiting for permission slips for Jayden, Pria, Ashlyn and Charlie. The gear list and other details is attached to this newsletter.

#### **SCHOLASTIC ORDER #8**

These have been sent home last week. Have your orders returned to school by 3 December or order online at scholastic.co.nz/LOOP

#### **TOUCH TOURNAMENT**

The whole school is going to the Touch Rugby Tournament in Taumarunui on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November. the bus in for this trip will need to depart at 8:15 to be there in time for the 9am start. We will be back by 3pm. Parents are welcome to come in with us. Please complete and return the attached permission slip if you haven't already done so.



The senior class have been working with Ms Jaggi making papier mache masks. Here are their finished masks.

#### **VEGETABLE GARDEN- Come and get it**

Our vegetable garden is looking excellent. We would love families to come and help themselves to our produce.

# We currently have lettuce and bok choy ready for harvesting.

Please pick the outside leaves so the plants can continue to grow.



The kids working in the vegetable garden

#### **STATIONERY IOU SLIPS**

These are emailed to parents on the day of issue, as many of you don't get paper newsletters to clip to. Please pay to the office in cash, or internet banking as soon as convenient. Thank you.

#### SCHOOL UNIFORM ORDER

If you would like to order new uniform items, please get your order into the school office by the end of this week. Many thanks.

#### SHEEP POO FUNDRAISER- a reminder

Owhango School has been offered sheep poo to sell as a fundraiser. Is anyone willing to take charge as co-ordinator, to arrange to bag and sell it? More details from Melissa Brown 027 820 1472.

#### PROJECT ENERGIZE



#### **INTER-SCHOOL ATHLETICS RESULTS**

Congratulations to the children selected to represent our school at the Inter-school Athletics Day on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November.

RESULTS:

Y1/2 Boys: Ollie Wheeler 2<sup>nd</sup> 200m & 2<sup>nd</sup> Long Jump.

Y3/4 Girls: Elise Frampton 1<sup>st</sup> Long Jump.

Y5/6 Girls: Jessica Ashcroft 2<sup>nd</sup> 200m.

Y7 Girls: Breanna Goodwin 3<sup>rd</sup> 1500m.

School Points winners, Turaki School over 100 pupils 2353 points and River Schools under 100 pupil winners with 893.

Well done!



Breanna with her ribbon.



# 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



Preparation for new line marking on our courts.

### My Jiu jitsu Tournament

On the 16 November, I went to a Jiu jitsu tournament in Levin. All the people that are in my Jiu jitsu club 'Tsunami Southern Tribes Tuwharetoa' got a silver or bronze medal. I got a silver. I had 2 fights. A fight is 2 minutes long. We stayed in Palmerston North, at the holiday park. Mum, Nanma, Jack, Uncle Keith and Auntie Jean all came to support me.

By Finn Bryan



#### 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.

Pet Day Prizes: FMG, Farmlands & Giltrap

# Taranaki Falls Trip

# Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December 2019

On Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December the year 0-5 children will be walking the 6km loop track to the Taranaki Falls.

# Description

The lower track (more sheltered on windy days) passes through tussock and alpine shrublands before entering beech forest. On a clear day Ngauruhoe's symmetrical cone and the older, eroded mountains of Tongariro and Pukekaikiore are visible.

Once in the forest, the track descends to Wairere Stream then climbs alongside it, passing Cascade Falls. The forest consists mainly of large mountain beech trees, shiny broadleaf, mountain five-finger, umbrella ferns and mountain toatoa. Small native birds such as whiteheads, grey warbler and rifleman are commonly seen.

From the forest edge the track passes over the Wairere Stream with impressive views of a small narrow gorge. Continuing on up the track, Taranaki Falls comes into view tumbling 20 metres over the edge of a large andesite lava flow which erupted from Ruapehu 15,000 years ago.

The trail from the falls climbs up a flight of 100 steps to a forest of mountain toatoa before joining the Tama Lakes Track. Turn right to return to Whakapapa, cross Wairere Stream and climb the shoulder of the lava flow, now covered with red tussock. Native birds likely to be heard in this area include pipits, fern birds and occasionally skylarks.

The return track crosses a series of eroded gullies formed by wind, rain and frost action on volcanic soils. As the trail begins to sidle around the slopes of Mount Ruapehu, it merges with the wider old Waihohonu horse trail. Here, layers of pumice and ash from previous eruptions are exposed. After passing through the last patch of bush, the track emerges again into red tussock and manuka, leading easily back to the village.

We are going by 32-seater bus (we may need to take a car if lots of adults come). We will be departing Owhango School at **9:00am.** Students will be back at school before **3:00pm**.

# Gear List

Tramping clothes:

- Shorts
- Shirt
- Warm jersey
- Good walking shoes (gumboots or jandals are not suitable)
- Sun hat

Back pack to carry lunch and warm jersey Lunch- extra rations Water bottle full of water only Medication if needed Sunglasses (optional) A sense of adventure

If the weather is unsuitable the postponement date is Monday 9th December.

This trip is paid for by the Owhango PTA

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- ✓ Be exposed to a new language at home
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