



# OWHANGO SCHOOL PANUI

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## THOUGHT OF THE WEEK / WHAKATAUKI

"The way we talk to our children becomes their inner voice." - Peggy O'Mara

## TERM FOUR DATES TO NOTE

28-29 November	Taumarunui High School Orientation
29 November	Inter-school Touch Tournament 8:15 departure
3 December	Owhango's Got Talent
6 December	Senior Tongariro Crossing Trip & Junior Taranaki Falls Trip
9 December	Postponement date for the trips
12 December	Yr 7&8 Technology
13 December	O'Donnell's Farm Trip
18 December	Year 8's Leavers Lunch
19 December	School Break Up 6pm
20 December	Last Day of Term Twin Day
4 Feb 2020	First Day of Term 1

## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

I am very pleased to announce that we have filled ¾ of our staffing vacancies:

1. Emma Tylee has been appointed our Principal Release Teacher. She will be working in the junior room 5/10 days per fortnight next year. I am very pleased to have someone with Emma's skills and experience of working with juniors to work alongside me.
2. Theresa Owen has been appointed to the middle class- year 4-6. Theresa is returning to the teaching workforce after having several years break to bring up her children. She has a Bachelor of Education and a Diploma of Teaching and is currently doing a Teacher Education Refresh course. Theresa will be working in the mornings, five days a week in this Board of Trustees funded position.

3. Tash Dutra has been appointed as our part-time teacher aide. Tash also has her son, Juan, starting school next year as a year one.
4. We are currently interviewing for the last position- one day a week in the senior class. This position has come about as Jessie Smith has asked to spend more time with her daughter, Te Hana, before she starts school. It will be for one year. I hope to be able to announce who has this position in our next panui.

## CLASSROOM KŌRERO- Seniors

On Friday 22 November Constable Aaron Owen came into talk to the senior room about the Tongariro Alpine Crossing. He came dressed in warm clothes to show us what we should wear and have. He also brought his backpack filled with supplies we will need for our walk, (see picture below), don't forget toilet paper and lollies! He drew a picture of Mount Tongariro and the areas it ascended; he spoke about the Devil's Staircase. He also told us about the lakes and how they are tapu (sacred) and you can't touch them. Then we went outside and he showed us a shelter (picture also below) and how it can protect us from the weather if someone gets hurt. I'm so excited and I can't wait, I wish it was tomorrow! By Kaylib Smith



What we need for our walk



Constructing the emergency shelter



The emergency shelter working

### TOUCH TOURNAMENT – Tomorrow

We need to **depart school at 8:15** to be at this tournament in time. If you are late, we cannot wait and there will be no one at school to look after your children. This is a whole-school event. Please remember to bring a sun hat, drink bottle and lunch or some money to buy lunch; there will be food for sale with the proceeds going to the organisation running the event (Taumarunui Youth Charitable Trust). We will be back at school by 3pm. If anyone can assist with refereeing some of the games let Mr Starkey or Mrs Smith know, they need some more referees.

### TAUMARUNUI ART AWARDS

Congratulations to the winners from Owango School in the recent Taumarunui Art Awards:  
Shiah Gavegan 1<sup>st</sup> place, 2D junior section  
Monty Hoban merit, junior 2D section  
Mr Starkey merit, adult 2D section.

### DUFFY CAUGHT BEING GOOD

We had a lot of 'Caught Being Good' recipients this fortnight, so many that we took two photos of them:



Pria Mason for improving printing, Mason Wheeler for his excellent letter knowledge, Freida Hoban for participation and enthusiasm in singing, Piata Smith for progress in reading & Zurich Hosking for knowing all his letter names, sounds and early words.



Anouk Guillotel, Dansey Simm, Jesse Weir and Tia Lord for leadership- organising the disco; Janette Guillotel for working well, Finn Bryan for his focus in class, Izabella Durbin-Horton and Mia-Mareikura Smith for their effort in learning the times tables.





Piata Smith and Elise Frampton having fun in the photo booth

### DISCO 2019

The Disco was a great hit, thank you all for coming along, we had so much fun. The year eights loved planning it for you all! A big thank you to the P.T.A who helped make it happen and big congratulations to Monty Hoban, and Emily Owen who were the overall best boy and girl dancers. We can't wait until next year!

By Dansey Simm and Jesse Weir



Lucas Gavegan does some cool floor moves

### OWHANGO'S GOT TALENT?

Owhango's Got Talent is on again next Tuesday, so we hope to see you in the audience. It will start at 1:45pm. There will be three categories: teachers, seniors and juniors. Entrants have a minimum of 1 minute and a maximum of 3 minutes to perform. Performers will be able to do their talent outside if you need to (scooter tricks etc.). See Tia or Anouk if you don't understand anything. There will be a mystery judge or two, too. So, come and appreciate our special talents at OWHANGOS GOT TALENT?



One of the only photos that worked in the low light conditions of the disco... can you name the boogiers?

### WAIKATO ATHLETICS

Congratulations to Tia Lord who gained third place in the 800m at the Waikato Athletics this week.

### OWHANGO BIRDWATCHING CLUB QUIZ

Yesterday Jack Owen and I, (Cody Bryan), made a quiz for the bird club. It started at this week's PAR Assembly, and it will end at the next PAR Assembly. What you must do is guess the bird by their full name. The bird photos are on the Birdwatching Club's wall display in the corridor. 1st place will get 5 house points, 2nd place will get 4 house points, 3rd place will get 3 house points, 4th will get 2 points and 5th will get 1 point. If you guess the Maori name as well, you will get a bonus point. Have fun.

By Cody Bryan

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

Please see the latest important information at the end of this panui



Our wonderful disco organisers



Janette Guillotel and Jessica Ashcroft in disguise

### COURTS REFURBISHMENT

Stage one of our court's refurbishment is complete: the lines have been repainted and netball court lines added to the bottom basketball court.

Stage two is to replace the basketball goals and the netball goals. The new goals have been ordered and are being made as I type. We will have a working bee early next year to get the old goals dug out and the new goals concreted in.



Our lovely new court lines

### VEGETABLE GARDEN- Come and get it

We currently have lettuce and bok choy ready for harvesting. Please come and help yourselves. If possible, pick the outside leaves so the plants can continue to grow.

### TWIN DAY

Following a request from the kids, we are having a "Twin Day" on the last day of the year. This is where the kids organise themselves into pairs and dress the same.



Messieurs Emily Owen and Renee Kieselbach

### SCHOLASTIC ORDER #8- a reminder

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

### 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

### PAYING BY INTERNET BANKING DETAILS:

Stationery/sports/trip fees: 03 0426 0141783 00

Uniform purchases: 03 0426 0141783 03

PTA: 030 426 0156205 00

## **Tongariro Alpine Crossing Update**

Next Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> December we will have an inventory check (backpack check) to make sure your child has everything they need for our 19½ km hike over the Tongariro Alpine Crossing. Weather permitting, we will also go for a small hike on that day, to ensure shoes are comfortable and fit well.

If your child is participating in the Tongariro Alpine Crossing Trip, they will have received a copy of the checklist last week with all essential items for the day. It is attached again to this newsletter to ensure they are well prepared.

We will be departing by bus from Owango School on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December **at 7:00am. Please be on time, if you are late, we cannot wait.** The decision to go ahead with the Tongariro Alpine Crossing or not (weather dependent) will be made on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> December by 3pm. Postponement date is Monday 9<sup>th</sup> December.

Sarah Cate from Adventure Outdoors in National Park and has very kindly offered our class hireage of tramping boots at a discounted price of \$5. Thank you to Aaron Owen for organising this with Sarah Cate. She has also lent us a shelter for the day. If you or your child is needing boots, then please come and see me and I'll give you a form to fill out.

Jessie Smith

Below is a list of all the participants, please let me know ASAP of any changes.

	<b>Student</b>	<b>Year</b>	<b>Adult</b>	
1	Europe Lewis	8	Aaron Owen	
2	Tia Lord	8	Jessie Smith	
3	Jesse Weir	8	Andree Brown	
4	Dansey Simm	8	Nicole Hosking	
5	Anouk Guillotel	8	Roy Frampton	
6	Jack Owen	8	Guy Hoban	
7	Izabella Durbin-Horton	7	Mike Dowie	
8	Nairin Higgie	7	Chris Weir	
9	Breanna Goodwin	7	Maya Hein	
10	Nikki O'Donnell	7		
11	Renee Kieselbach	7		
12	Finn Bryan	6		
13	Mia-Mareikura Smith	6		
14	Janette Guillotel	6		
15	Emily Owen	6	<b>Total Adults</b>	<b>9</b>
16	Lilly Bryant	6		
17	Cody Bryan	6		
18	Matisse Hosking	6		
19	Millie Frampton	6		
20	Kaylib Smith	6		
21	Libby Hoban	6		
	<b>Total Children</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>Total People Attending</b>	<b>30</b>

## **The Tongariro Alpine Crossing Gear List**

- A windbreaker, waterproof jacket
- Thermal long sleeve top
- Fleece overtop / sweatshirt (hunting long sleeve tops are great)
- Thermal long johns or leggings (you may carry these in your backpack)
- Shorts
- Woollen gloves
- Neck warmer
- 2x hats – beanie and a sunhat
- Thick socks
- Tramping boots or sneakers with good tread / grip \*(please see note)
- Sunscreen
- Lip balm / Chapstick
- Toilet paper (small packet of tissues)
- Plasters
- Sunglasses
- A sturdy backpack with hip straps (not school bag if possible)
- 3 litres of water (Camelback and smaller separate drink bottle if possible. You may want smaller drink bottle filled with juice for energy)
- Big lunch with energy foods included. The less wrappers the better
- Lollies are allowed for energy. However, no lollies in wrappers please. No chewing gum.
- Personal medication