



# ŌWHANGO SCHOOL PĀNUI

The children at Ōwhango School are engaged in our unique, rural environment, are individual in their learning, and strong in experience and success.

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## THOUGHT OF THE WEEK / WHAKATAUĀKĪ

He moana pukepuke e ekengia e te waka —  
*A choppy sea can be navigated by a waka.*

## DATES TO NOTE

10 May	Mobile Library Visit
11 May	Yr 1-4 Interschool Soccer
12 May	Yr 5-8 Interschool Soccer
16 May	Gym with Tina starts
17 May	Assembly 2pm
19 May	Pink Shirt Day
26 May	Bike-a-thon
31 May	Bike-a-thon postponement date
1 June	Army Museum Trip
2 June	Y 1-4 Interschool Ripa Rugby
5 June	King's Birthday
6 June	Teacher Only Day
7 June	Yr 7-8 Whanganui River Trip
9 June	Senior Tech Challenge
16 June	Interschool Orienteering
20 June	Assembly 2pm
22 June	Individual Reports Issued
27 June	Parent Teacher Interviews
27 & 28	Life Education Truck
30 June	Last Day of Term Two

## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

It was great to see the community get together again for the annual T42 event on Saturday. Although it was a smaller event this year, due to the 42 traverse being closed by a huge slip, we still had a busy day with as many cars parked in the domain and lots of people buying the food we were selling. It was nice to see some Ōwhango students entering the event too. I would especially like to thank the four staff members who gave up their Saturday to help with this fundraiser for our children.



Freida and Hazel entered the T42 6km race

## CLASSROOM KORERO – Middle Room

For Anzac Day, we read the story Anzac Ted. We wrote a description of Anzac Ted using the senses to add detail. We also completed a directed pastel and dye drawing of Anzac Ted. Our completed mahi is hanging in the corridor.



Harry and Millie's Anzac Ted artwork

For science our new House of Science topic is 'Food for Thought'. We have been having a lot of fun exploring how adding or removing an ingredient, changes the structure, texture, colour and taste of food. We are brushing up on our soccer skills and learning how to work together as a team. We are really enjoying playing soccer at the moment, both in class and at lunchtimes,

and are looking forward to the Interschool Soccer Tournament. For te reo Māori we have been learning whakatauki focused on native birds, and how we can connect these whakatauki to our lives. This week, we are also celebrating Te Wiki o te reo Turi (NZ Sign Language Week) by learning a new waiata in sign language.



Scarlett, Te Hana and Elliott discussing the texture of jelly as part of their science

### INTERSCHOOL SOCCER TOURNAMENT

~~Year 1-2 / 3-4 tomorrow~~

Year 5-6 / 7-8 Friday

Games begin at Cherry Grove on both days at 9.30am with a delegate & team manager meeting at 9.10am. We are leaving school at 8.55am to allow teams time to get organised before the first game. Students must wear covered shoes, no soccer boots with sprigs or bare feet. Make sure you bring a water bottle, packed lunch, and rain jacket. There will be food for sale too. Sports t-shirts will be handed out this week. Ōwhango/Kaitieke Speedies will be wearing the Kaitieke t-shirts. Please see the team and manager lists attached to the end of this pānui. **TRANSPORT ARRANGEMENTS:** leaving school at 8:55am returning to school before 3pm. See below:

Transport for Year 5-6 / 7-8 Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> May	
Driver	Students
Michelle G	Lucas, Pria, Whaea Siobhan
Maxine	Konna, James, Aiden, Cailin, Freida, Piata
Michelle R	Ivy, Leith, Jamie, Charlie, Darcy
Lakenn	Delaize, Hayzin
Berindene	Aleah, Joshua, Beau, Rose
Cara – take in	Oliver, Hazel, Gin
Trudie – bring home	Oliver, Hazel, Gin,
Meeting there	Taylor, Tilia, Hopaea, Zurich, Soren, Poppy, Jack P

### STOP PRESS!

**YEAR 1-4 SOCCER HAS BEEN CANCELLED DUE TO THE WEATHER. THEY ARE LOOKING AT RESCHEDULING FOR LATER IN THE YEAR. AN EMAIL WAS SENT OUT TO ALL WHANAU ALSO ADVISING THIS.**

### YEAR 7 & 8 KAYAKING

Last Friday the year 7 & 8s went kayaking on Lake Otamangakau. First, we got changed into our wetsuits which was a struggle, but we got there in the end. The instructors split us up into two groups. Our group went to the sandpit. The sandpit was made when they dug out the lake. We played lots of games like camouflage, and bang! After we had finished all of our games we headed back to where the cars were parked and had an early lunch. After everyone had had lunch, our group got into the kayaks and headed out to the middle of the lake. We played lots of games like Simon says. It was really funny because some of us fell in the water. When we had finally got back to shore everyone met up so we could choose if we wanted to do the bridge jump. It was soooo fun! When all of us had changed into our warm clothes we ate some hot chips to warm ourselves up. It had been a great day and all of us had enjoyed it. By Freida & Pria



The crew



Rafting up



Cailin negotiates the water weed



A well-deserved hot drink

### BIKE-A-THON

Three weeks to go! Please encourage and support your child to get some sponsors.



We are enjoying the monarch butterflies that are hatching from their chrysalis on the swan plants in our garden.

### ADDITIONAL TEACHER ONLY DAY

The Ministry of Education has stipulated that all primary schools must take an additional teacher only day within a two-week window in November to work on the curriculum refresh. The school will be taking this on **Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November**, so that it gives our community a chance to have a four-day weekend as we already have a teacher only day scheduled for Monday the 20<sup>th</sup> of November. We apologise if this is an inconvenience for you.

### RIPPA LESSONS

We had the first of four sessions with Tavita from King Country Rugby last week- working on the students' Rippa rugby skills.



Tavita works with the juniors...



...and the seniors

### SCHOOL BOARD HUI

At last week's School Board hui, we discussed property matters such as getting bark for the playgrounds, sand for the sandpit, maintenance on the pool fence, progress on work on the schoolhouse, progress with the skate park, and we accepted a quote for a new fireplace in the staffroom. We looked at the analysis of student data over time that was recently done with our evaluation partner at the Education Review Office. We discussed the ski programme plans, accepted a quote for a new library software system. We discussed the school break up and decided that it will be a no-alcohol event from

now on. We approved the date for the additional compulsory Teacher Only Day. We also approved a new Physical Restraint Policy as well as reviewing our Sun-Smart, Technology Training, and Social Media policies. Finally, we updated our School Board photograph (see below).



Our School Board- from left- Nicole Hosking, Mark Bramley, Aaron Owen, Maree Ashcroft, Jessie Smith, Guy Hoban and Ewan Starkey.

### **Community Notices**

#### **T42 SALAD BOWLS**

Does anyone know where the large green salad bowls are that were borrowed from the T42 gear last year?

Signed Kim Petersen

#### **TAUMARUNUI JUNIOR SOCCER**

This week's game time:

*4.20pm Owhango Seniors vs Turaki Trees*

#### **NETBALL**

Our netball teams did amazing last week with both coming away with a win. Hotshots vs Turaki Green won 10-6 and the Thunderbirds vs St Pats Panthers 32-0. They played so well in the miserable, wet and rainy conditions.

A big thank you to Whaea Theresa and Whaea Jessie who took the big team for me on Wednesday as I couldn't make it, and to all of the parents who helped with the Thunderbirds warm up while I was umpiring.

This week Hotshots have a bye and Thunderbirds play Turaki Gremlins at 3.45pm, please be at the courts 15mins before your game to warm up.

Signed Stacey

#### **TAUMARUNUI JUNIOR HOCKEY**

This will start tomorrow, Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> May. At the Taumarunui High School Turf.

**1<sup>st</sup> week 3:30pm – 4:30pm** will be the Small Sticks. New players welcome for skill-based afternoon. Sticks and balls provided. Mouth guard compulsory and will be for sale. **4:30pm until dark** will be for schools and players, coaches, and parents wanting a fun game to start our season off. If you are interested in playing hockey, attend this open day, and get your registration form from the office before next Wednesday. Any further details contact Inneke Cummings Cell 021 029 22896

#### **PAYING BY INTERNET BANKING DETAILS:**

**Ōwhango School:** Uniform/ stationery/ sport fees pay to: 03 0426 0141783 00

**PTA:** Fundraisers 030 426 0156205 00

#### **2023 TERM DATES**

**Term 2-** 24 April to 30<sup>th</sup> June

**Term 3-** 17<sup>th</sup> July to 22<sup>nd</sup> September

**Term 4-** 9<sup>th</sup> October to 19<sup>th</sup> December

**Teacher Only Days-** 24<sup>th</sup> April, 6<sup>th</sup> June, 17<sup>th</sup> November and 20<sup>th</sup> November.

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

**Duffy Books in Schools:** W & C O'Donnell, DG Brown Contracting, Doyle Valuations, Ōwhango Motors, S & M Ashcroft Partnership.

**Ōwhango Adventures:** Free bus use for trips

**Fern Energy Fuel for Schools Scheme:** RC & JF Walker, MJ & TM Lord, KF & VI Kimberley, JB & KA Lord, WM & CE O'Donnell, Tina Freeman, Willy & Cara O'Donnell, Willy Bryan Earthworks, DR & LA Marshall and Rex and Hannah Pierce.

**PTA Sponsors:** Ringa Kaha Cabin, The Grounded Artisan, The Park Hotel Ruapehu, Kainui, Pepper & Me Pack, Purita Te Manawa, Vertigo Rock Climbing, Thai Restaurant, Blue Hill Café, Liquorland.

**Blue Hill Cafe:** netball sponsorship

### Ōwhango Interschool Soccer Teams Year 1-4 Thursday

Year 1-2			Year 3-4		
	Ōwhango Kickers	Ōwhango/ Kaitieke Speedies	Ōwhango/ Kaitieke Stormers	Ōwhango Stars	Ōwhango Victors
1	Daithi	Kyston	Charlotte	Kaelyis-Rae	Monty
2	Eric	Azalea	Meah	Evan	Tyler
3	Patrick	Finley	Juan	Scarlett	Tahu
4	Molly	Ainsley	Decan	Billie	Brodie
5	Lucy	Jackson	Johnny Marshall(K)	Nico	Evie
6	Quinn	Aria	Vanessa Haugh (K)	Rosa	Te Hana
7	Ellie-Rose	Charlie Haugh (K)	Jackson Green (K)	Harry	Millie
8	Indiana	Tristan Green (K)	Snow Steele (K)	Olive	Haylee
9	Kopu	Forest Steele (K)		Mason	Elliott
10	Jack	River Steele (K)			
<b>Team Manager – Theresa/Ewan</b>		<b>Team Manager – Kereama</b>	<b>Team Manager – Kaitieke</b>	<b>Team Manager – Jahbon</b>	<b>Team Manager – Maree</b>
Ōwhango School delegate – Ewan / Theresa					

### Ōwhango Interschool Soccer Teams Year 5-8 Friday

Year 5-6			Year 7-8	
	Ōwhango Firebolts	Ōwhango Lightning	Ōwhango/ Kaitieke Thunder	Ōwhango Tornados
1	Oliver	Lucas	Aiden	Leith
2	Hayzin	Jack	Charlie	Taylor
3	Hazel	Gin	Cailin	Konna
4	Beau	Ivy	Piata	Lo'i
5	Tilia	Hopaea	Delaize	Joshua
6	Aleah	Darcy	Jamie	Rose
7	Zurich	Soren	Jamie Green (K)	James
8	Poppy	Dylan (K)	Blue Steele (K)	Pria
9			Micaela Wildermoth (K)	Freida
	<b>Team Manager- Lakenn</b>	<b>Team Manager- Michelle</b>	<b>Team Manager- Kaitieke</b>	<b>Team Manager- Berindene</b>
Ōwhango School Delegate – Siobhan				

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