



ŌWHANGO SCHOOL PĀNUI

The tamariki 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 / WHAKATAUKĪ

“Whāia te mātauranga hei oranga mō koutou.”
Seek after learning for the sake of your wellbeing.

DATES TO NOTE

16 Nov.	Career Dress-Up Day
17 Nov.	Interschool Athletics
20 Nov.	Teacher Only Day
21 Nov.	Enrolment Zone Consultation Hui 7pm
22 Nov.	Year 7 & 8 Rafting
24 Nov.	Ōwhango's Got Talent 1:30pm
29 Nov.	Year 7 & 8 Rafting postponement
1 Dec.	Interschool Touch Rugby
2 Dec.	Christmas Parade
5 Dec.	Assembly 2pm
6 Dec.	School Board Hui
8 Dec.	Tongariro Crossing Trip
13 Dec.	Year 8 Leavers' Treat
14 Dec.	Brock's Farm Trip
15 Dec.	Reports Out
	Break Up Ceremony 5pm
18 Dec.	Last Day of School
5 February	First Day of 2024!

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGES

Firewood needed

Our firewood supplies are getting low. Does anyone have a tree, log or cut wood that they are willing to donate to the school? Please contact me if you can help us out.

8:30 Drop Off

Just a reminder that the earliest that you can drop your children off at school is 8:30am unless by prior arrangement. We do not guarantee to have staff onsite before this time, and if we do they are busy preparing for the day's lessons. We understand that sometimes you need to do this, but please ask the school first. Likewise, for the 3:15 end of day final pick up.

Strategic Planning Meeting

On Thursday last week the school board held a strategic planning meeting. This meeting was facilitated by Sarah Gibbs from Community Waikato, a very experienced worker in the field of helping organisations to write their strategic plans. As part of this process, we looked into your community consultation survey results as well drawing on our own knowledge of the school and community. We have drafted a new strategic plan, which is attached to the bottom of this pānuī. If you would like to comment on it, then please contact me. Once we have finalised the plan, it will be the overarching guiding document for the next two years, from which we flesh out more detailed annual goals.

Teacher Only Day- a final reminder

A reminder that we have a Teacher Only Day this Monday, the 20th of November. The school will be closed for instruction. We also do not offer a child-minding service on this day.

CLASSROOM KORERO- Senior Room

This week concludes all the testing in the senior class. The tamariki have all been working very hard in class and have had testing almost every day! This has been a huge focus of our term so far, as it gives all the data needed for report writing, progress reports and to determine what needs to be taught next.

This week we have started a writing activity based on 'My Special Person'. This is a research-based activity using both prior knowledge and information gained through research. Some students chose sports icons, singers, actors, social influencers or family members. They're really enjoying it.

Here is the opening paragraph of James' research topic: *M...I...K...E... Tyson, a professional heavy*

weight boxer with a winning streak of 50 wins and only one loss. That is INCREDIBLE! He is the best and that alone could be the reason I chose him. But there is so much more to him.

It's great to be able to give the students some free choice and independent learning now that the tests and assessments have finished.

Ngā mihi Whaea Jessie

ŌWHANGO ADVENTURES WAKA CULTURAL TRIP ON THE WHANGANUI RIVER -This coming Wednesday 22nd November

Attached to the year 7 & 8s Pānui is the official Consent Form from Ōwhango Adventures. **This needs to be filled out and returned tomorrow.**

Ngā mihi, Jessie Smith

INTERSCHOOL ATHLETICS- Friday

We will be departing from school at 8:30, for the Taumarunui Domain. The first races start at 9:00, hopefully returning to school by 3pm. Please remember that if you are in a relay team you must stay for this race, or the team will be short of a runner. There will be food for sale on the day. Please remember your drink bottles, sun hats and to apply sunscreen. The children may wear runners or bare feet.

Wristbands: The children will need to wear the appropriate coloured wrist band for their year group. These will be issued to schools at check-in.

Runners: Anyone walking in a track event will be instantly disqualified. You may make one false start but a second one is disqualification.

Discus- The thrower must leave from the rear half of the circle after the discus has landed. The discus must land within the sector, which is a 40-degree arc.

Shot put: The shot must be put from a position in against the chin. It may not be moved from this position except in the action of throwing. The shot-putter must leave from the rear half of the circle after the shot has landed.

Field events: will have two throws/jumps and then the top 8 will get another two throws or jumps.

Transport:

Driver	Students
Meet us there	Azalea, Kyston, Kaeylis-Rae, Ainsley, Leiki, Tilia, Poppy, Hopaea, Jack P., James. Joshua, Darcy, Hayzin, Delaize, Elliot, Nico,

Nana Diane	Lucas, Mason, Oliver,
Dale Erueti	Indiana, Rosa, Hazel,
Maree Ashcroft	Haylee, Piata, Freida
Theresa Owen	Charlotte, Cailin, Max,
Stacey Erueti	Eric, Monty, Brodie,
Desire'e Schormair	Gin, Tumanako, Konna,
Ewan Starkey	(going early for briefing) Gazebo
Offer to help on the day	Theresa O., Hannah

No Parents or Staff are allowed into the event zone areas. However, we will allow the teacher delegate to take the Year 1/2's over to marshalling then you will need to leave the event zone.

Spectators

All spectators must only use the terraced and grandstand area. Please remind whanau they are not to enter the competition zones at all times.

School Helpers

All school helpers will need to come to the admin at 8.25am. Please ensure they have been informed they are your school helper as they have been assigned to roles for the day.

We have over 50 helpers for the day to run smoothly. *If anyone has some helpers for the BBQ please let me know.*

BBQ

The BBQ will be located at the top of the grassed terraces. We will have eftpos available. Burgers, sausages, water, cool change and juices will be for sale.

Parking

We advise all schools to park along the grandstand side of the Domain. Please do not Park in the New World carparks.

CAREER DRESS-UP DAY- Tomorrow

Tomorrow, Thursday the 16th of November, we are having a Career Dress Up Day. This is where the kids can come dressed up as someone at work.

ŌWHANGO'S GOT TALENT?

As part of their year 8 leadership responsibilities, Taylor and Cailin are organising this years' competition- Ōwhango's Got Talent? See their poster at the bottom of this Pānui. So, get your entries in to them and start tuning up your voice

boxes and perfecting your juggling skills. Parents are welcome to join the audience. Friday 24th November 1:30.

ENROLMENT ZONE COMMUNITY CONSULTATION HUI- Tuesday

A final reminder that this is your chance to come to a meeting to hear a presentation from the Ministry of Education on the establishment of an enrolment zone around our school to help us manage our roll numbers. It is on Tuesday 21st November at 7pm at the school. Everyone is welcome.

TONGARIRO CROSSING TRIP- Year 6-8

There are still some outstanding permission slips for this trip. We cannot confirm our parent helpers until we have final student numbers. Please return these asap or confirm in writing if your child has permission to attend or not.

If your child needs sturdy hiking boots, these are available on loan from Tongariro Outdoor Adventures in National Park. Please email Whaea Siobhan to confirm your child's shoe size and we will make these available in the coming weeks.

Senior students must have trainers/sports shoes, water bottles and sun hats **at school each Friday** for our preparation walks and fitness activities



Senior room training for their Tongariro Alpine Crossing trip

TOUCH RUGBY TOURNAMENT

On Friday 1st December, the whole school will be participating in the inter-school touch tournament at the Taumarunui Domain as part of our PE programme. Any children not attending will have to stay at home as there will be no teachers at school- we will all be supporting our teams. Please complete the permission slip at the bottom of this Pānui and return it to school so planning can proceed. We will need about seven

parents to help manage a team each- the subbing on and off of students during the game; if you can do this please indicate on the permission slip. Thanks.

SCHOOL PHOTOS

We had perfect weather for our photos last week. Another thank you to Emma Soffe who drove all the way from Napier to do this for us! For the class photos- once we have received the photo files, we will put them onto our classroom templates, put names on them, then print them then get them out to you. We will have this completed before the end of this term. Thank you for your support in this PTA fundraiser.

Y1-4 MINI MEEZ BASKETBALL COMPETITION

Year 1&2 Court Two 5.05pm ŌWHANGO SHOOTERS V TARRANGOWER AIRBALL

Year 3&4 Court One 3:45pm ŌWHANGO ALLSTARS V MATIERE MAVERICKS

Year 3&4 Court One 6:05pm ŌWHANGO GREEN V TPS THUNDER

COMMUNITY NOTICES

TAUMARUNUI ALTOGETHER AUTISM WĀNANGA

See the poster below

DO OR DIE- HAIRDRESSING

See the poster below

SCHOOL'S OUT CRICKET

See the poster below

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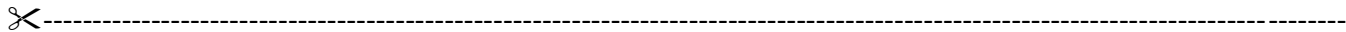
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Blue Hill Cafe: Netball sponsorship

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Touch Rugby Tournament Permission Slip

Friday 1st December 2023

Taumarunui Domain

Departing school at 8:40, team manager's briefing at 9am first games 9.20am

Family name _____

My child / ren _____ may attend the Touch Rugby Tournament at Taumarunui Domain.

ADULT HELP

YES / NO I can stay and be a team manager- subbing on and off children on the day

TRANSPORT

YES / NO I can provide smoke-free, and seat-belted transport for _____ (write number) children, in a registered and warranted vehicle that will be driven by a fully licensed driver who adheres to all traffic regulations. (Note, drivers will be paid some money to go towards their petrol costs.)

YES / NO I will be meeting you at the venue in Taumarunui

YES / NO I will be sending a booster seat for my child
(Note by law children under 7 must be in a booster seat)

If you are assisting with transport:

Name of driver _____

ŌWHANGO SCHOOL STRATEGIC PLAN 2024 – 2025

Our Vision
Happy, thriving tamariki

Our Mission
The tamariki at Owhango School are engaged in our unique rural environment and are individual in their learning and strong in experience and success.

Our Strategic Goals

1. Be inclusive of Te Tiriti o Waitangi
2. All our tamariki will progress and achieve their highest potential through quality teaching, learning, and positive relationships
3. Make the most of our local environment, educating outside of the classroom
4. As a community hub we encourage whānau and community involvement

Our Values
Participation Achievement Respect



You are welcome to come to Owhango's Got Talent

Friday 24th November 2023
1:30 in the Senior Room



DO OR DYE

HAIR SALON / BARBER TRUCK
NATIONAL PARK

Parked @ CamoKai Takeaways

DATE'S 2023

JULY -	28th, 29th, 30th
AUG -	25th, 26th, 27th
SEPT -	22nd
OCT -	21st, 22nd
NOV -	18th, 19th
DEC -	16th, 17th

Please note: We will be open Friday 3pm and closing times Sunday will vary due to bookings.

Please note: We recommended to book in advance as we are in high demand but walk-ins are welcome if you are willing to be patient.

Thanks from the Team at Do or Dye



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*Say yes
to new
adventures*

Taumarunui

Altogether Autism
Wānanga



Sunday 3 December 2023

Morero Marae, Hakiaha Street, Taumarunui

- 9.30am Pōwhiri
- 10.30am Altogether Autism - Service Introduction
- 11am **Workshop 1** - Takiwātanga
- 1pm Lunch (provided) and networking
- 1.45pm **Workshop 2** - Kids do well if they can
- 3pm Karakia Whakamutunga



Jamie-Leigh Timoti
Altogether Autism



Jessica Hita
Kanorau
Takiwātanga Consultants

Join us by registering now

Please register for catering purposes

Proudly hosted by



For more information email: info@altogetherautism.org.nz



YEARS
3-8

SCHOOL'S OUT 4 SUMMER

Looking for fun activities between
the end of school and Christmas?

Join a cricket festival day in your
area!



DATES & PLACES

Hamilton
Waikato Uni
Mon, 18 December

Taupō
Kaimanawa Park
Wed, 20 December

Counties-Manukau
Bruce Pulman Park
Tue, 19 December

Tauranga
Blake Park
Thu, 21 December

Time: 9am-3pm

Participants will be allocated
into teams of similar ages

Cost: \$15, including a tee!



Register: tinyurl.com/SchoolsOutCricket2023