



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

“Knowing the destination, is half the journey.”
Unknown.

DATES TO NOTE

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 11:30am
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

There is a lot going on at the moment. Most importantly is negotiating with the Ministry and organising trades people for the staffroom to be converted into a classroom in time for the beginning of term one next year. This is underway with the kitchen being removed last Friday. See the photo below.



Wayne Stewart Building and Contracting reconfigure the kitchen unit in the staff room

CLASSROOM KORERO- Junior Room

The students in the junior room have been learning about place value in maths this term. They have been using the numicon shapes, cuisenaire rods, money or tens and ones rods to make 2-digit numbers. This has been great learning, and most students are now able to understand the difference between 12 and 21. For those ready for the extension some have even been moving into 3-digit numbers. We have also been learning about map reading and directions. We made our own maps of our classroom then hid things showing the location on the map before getting a friend to read the map to find the hidden treasure.



Ainsley worked out what these numbers in the hundreds are



Working out the difference between 32 and 23 using the numicon shapes

INTERSCHOOL ATHLETICS

This is on today- good luck to our team!

YEAR 7 AND 8 WHANGANUI AWA TRIP

This is also on today; we will have some photos in next week's panui.

CAREER DRESS-UP DAY

We had an excellent response to this day- with many and varied careers on display. See if you can pick them from the class photos below...



The junior room



The middle room



The senior room

ŌWHANGO'S GOT TALENT?

A reminder that this is on Friday 24th November 1:30.

ENROLMENT ZONE COMMUNITY CONSULTATION HUI-

This was on last night. Due to the Pānui being printed on Tuesday this week, feedback on the hui will be in next week's Pānui.

TONGARIRO CROSSING TRIP- Year 6-8

There are still a number of permission slips outstanding, these students have indicated they

are not participating in the trip but need to return the form to make it clear that the parents have agreed to this. They are expected to be at school as normal on the day.

A notice has gone home to those students whose whanau are joining us on the trip, outlining travel arrangements. If you have any questions about this, please get in touch. Unfortunately, we could not transport all those adults interested due to limited seats but thank you for your offers of help. You may still join us but would need to make your own drop off and pick up arrangements.

I will be placing an order today (Wednesday) for hiking boots. These are free of charge to hire for those on the Tongariro Alpine crossing trip (adults included). Please email me the shoe size needed if you would like to order some: siobhan@owhango.school.nz I am hoping to bring these to school on Friday for students to try out on our weekly walk.

Please ensure **all senior room students** have a raincoat, sturdy walking shoes, water bottle and their sunhat **at school this Friday**. Crocs, slides, gumboots and skate shoes are not appropriate for this walk, so please ensure your child is prepared. We will be walking in the Ōwhango area, and experiencing a range of terrain so it is important that all students arrive with appropriate gear. All students who are at school on Friday are assumed healthy and therefore expected to participate as this is part of our planned P.E. curriculum for the term. Whaea Siobhan.

TOUCH RUGBY TOURNAMENT

Thanks to those people who have their permission and transport slips in. We have emailed those who haven't returned their slip to remind you. We need these in now so that planning can proceed.

PTA XMAS PARADE FLOAT

The Christmas Parade is on again on Saturday 2nd December and you are all welcome to come along and join us on the PTA float truck. Veolia are kindly supporting us again this year with a truck and driver- school dad Justin. There is no theme this year, so can we please have everyone dressed in Xmas clothes or red/green clothes if you do not have anything Xmas themed.

You will find us in the lineup of floats, by the Taumarunui outdoor pool. Please meet us there

by 11.30 to get onto the truck and get those smiles ready. Parents are welcome to join in the fun. Merry Christmas from the PTA.

Y1-4 MINI MEEZ BASKETBALL COMPETITION

AT the time of printing, we did not have this information. It will be emailed out to the players.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Nothing this week

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