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NEWSLETTER



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DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR

Parentlink Meeting 7.00 pm followed by First Fair Committee Meeting, 7.45 pm at the Kindergarten (TONIGHT)	2 August
Powhiri 9.00 am	4 August
Three Way Conferences (Yr 4 – 6) and Room 7)	9 & 10 August
Walk 'n' Wheels Day	23 August
Parentlink Movie Night	25 August
Schoolwide Event/Learning Celebration (7.00 pm)	7 September
Artsplash	18 September

COMING UP

One Learning Community Fair	19 November
Swimming (whole school)	Term 4

WEEKLY EVENTS

Monday	Marzipan Drama Classes
Wednesday	Wheels Day Assembly 2.30 Soccer Practice Ukulele Orchestra 8.00 am
Thursday	Recorder Classes 8.30 a.m. (Advanced) Code Club 3.30 – 4.30 pm

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Kia ora, Hello, Talofa lava, Chao, Ni Hao, Dia dhaoibh, Namaste, Giddy, Guten Tag, Assalamulaikum, Ciao, Salve, Ayubowan, Fakaalofa atu, Hola, Susaday, Bonjour, Bula vinaka, Mālō e lelei, Sawasdee, πρεβετ

Last weeks' Pedal Ready session was a huge success and I know Room 3 are looking forward to their turn this Friday. Hearing that students were keen to purchase bikes and seeing families at school on bikes practicing the skills and gaining in confidence during the weekend is what we call multi-structural SOLO speak. If purchasing a bike is a big ask, Hilleke from the Wellington City Council recommends trying ReBicycle, as a more affordable option. Don't forget there are also Bike Sheds dotted around the city where you can take your bike to be repaired free of charge. All the information you need will be on the Council website.

Today our students are enjoying a puppet show called "Jan and Tuna" by Anna. The show fits nicely with our overall Citizenship through Sustainability focus and links into our knowledge of Owhiro Bay stream. It also an opportunity to develop our audience skills and explore a different method of storytelling.

We have made a slight change to our Wednesday assemblies which now begin at 2.30pm and are led by a different staff member each week. We are also doing whole school Jump Jam each Monday from 9.20am and Friday at 10.00am. Miss Fretwell is leading this initiative.

The calendar art is looking fabulous, with a variety of mediums and sources of inspiration used by different classes. They will be on displayed in the admin foyer shortly. Make sure you take some time to admire our student's efforts.

I am delighted to announce that Nicky Clegg will be joining the teaching team at Owhiro Bay School as permanent full time teacher from the beginning of Term 4. She brings with her a wealth of skills and experience. Nicky will be teaching our Year 4-6 students in Room 3. She will be officially welcomed during our Term 4 pōwhiri. I also need to let you know that Julia and her family have made the decision to return to Auckland at the end of this year.

Please join us for our pōwhiri this Friday from 9.00am as we welcome families of students who have joined us recently along with Marilyn a new RTLB.

Confident, connected, actively involved, lifelong learners.

Tineke and the team.

WELCOME

To Terena Grimwood and Quinn Haley who have recently joined children in Harakeke. Quinn has a sister in Whanake. Welcome also to Terena's family to our school community.

ARTSPASH TICKETS

The Artsplash Concert is on Monday 18 September at the Michael Fowler Centre, starting at 5.15 pm.

Tickets are now available from the school office at \$5.00 each. We initially need to limit tickets to 3 per family. More tickets may be available closer to the date.



PARENTLINK

Abacus Fundraiser

Don't miss out on the chance to have your children's artwork transformed into unique and useful gifts, including 2018 calendars, diaries and cards. You can view your children's artwork and sample products at the school office.

Please return your order form coming home with your child this week with correct payment to the office. You can pay online to the Parentlink account 06 0577 0112365, please reference 'abacus' and your child/ren's name and room number. Cheques payable to Owhiro Bay School Parentlink.

You should receive your order back early in Term 4, in good time for Christmas post. Every order makes a return to our school fundraising so thank you for your support.

Parentlink Meeting - Tonight

Wednesday 2nd of August, 7pm in the Staffroom
Come and join us to help plan the exciting movie night coming up soon, then stay on for the Fair meeting at 7.45 pm at the Kindy.



The first fair meeting is TONIGHT **Wednesday August 2, 7.45pm at the Kindy**, straight after their AGM and the school Parentlink meeting. We need all the help and good ideas we can get, so please come along. There are only 7 meetings needed leading up to the fair, and depending on what you choose to help with, it's not always necessary to come to all of them. There is lots of support available and it's a great way to connect with the community and, most importantly, contribute to the school and kindergarten. If you have any questions/ideas at any time, contact Bindi.Robertson@outlook.com.

VALUE OF THE WEEK

Our focus this week is "Confidence"

Congratulations to Atarau Cormack who was awarded a Value Voucher for "Kindness" and "Confidence".

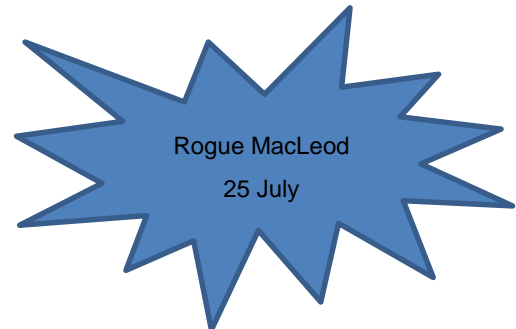
SPORTS SPOT.

Dates coming up:

Southern Zone Swimming	25 August
Southern Zone Athletics	7 November

BIRTHDAY WISHES

Sorry we missed your birthday last week Rogue! Hope you had a great day.



Happy birthday to the following students who have a birthday coming up.....

Bessie Hawkings 3/8

Bryden Kelly 5/8

Molly Menzies 6/8





You're Invited!

to Miramar Christian School's
Open Evening
15 August 2017 6:30pm

We invite you to come and learn about our school and how it might be a good fit for your child's upcoming years 7 & 8. We have excellent teacher/student ratios, a values based curriculum, affordable fees, and fun extracurricular activities. Students and teachers will be available for tours and questions. **All are welcome!**



41 Camperdown Rd., Miramar (corner of Weka & Camperdown)
(04) 939 8558
www.christian.school.nz

Minecraft

Schoolgen has teamed up with Interface Magazine to offer students a chance to design an eco-house in Minecraft and be in to win some nice prizes.

Not just a game, Minecraft is an entire "sandbox" world with massive creative and exploratory potential. With the increased emphasis on the digital world and coding, the students who play it are intrinsically exposed to logical and computational thinking. Why not combine this with environmental thinking ?

Please check it out here and pass it on to any of your keen Minecrafters students!

- <http://www.schoolgen.co.nz/STEM/minecraft-comp> (closes end of Term 3)

If you are interested in the project based task of designing an eco-house but want to do it more in the "real world" please check out:

- <http://www.schoolgen.co.nz/best-of-mean-green-house>

MindPlus – Open Morning

There is an Open Morning at MindPlus Wellington West on Thursday 3rd August from 9am till 12 noon. This is an opportunity to see the class in action. We are situated at Cardinal McKeefry School Ablemarle Rd Wilton. The Classroom number is Room 7.

Under the Big Top! Orchestra Wellington and The Circus Hub

Date: Saturday 2 September
Time: 3.00 pm
Venue: Michael Fowler Centre

See death-defying aerial performers, sensational stilt dancers, jugglers, tumblers and clowns when Orchestra Wellington combines with the Circus Hub for a spectacular family show.

Tickets available from www.ticketek.co.nz or 0800 842 538.
For information please contact Kirsten Mason 021 179 6598/ or 801 7812.

