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# NEWSLETTER



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## DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR

Pōwhiri 9 am	10 February
Meet the Teachers 5.30 pm	17 February
Kindergarten Whanau Evening	24 February
Staff Training Day	7 July

## WEEKLY EVENTS

<b>Wednesday</b>	Wheels Day
<b>Thursday</b>	Coming Soon... Beginners Recorder Classes Advanced Recorder Classes
<b>Friday</b>	Coffee Club in the staffroom Last Friday of each month Assembly led by Year 6 at 2.20pm in the hall

## 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 тρεвет

Thank you everyone for your patience while the roading crew worked on our new crossing over the last few weeks. Work is still in progress due to the weather, and we look forward to the end product. We'll be looking for volunteers to do Patrol and organise training for everyone involved as soon as we can. If you are coming to and from school from the South Coast please make sure to go through the tennis courts rather than across the two driveways.

Our kaupapa/topic for the year is Citizenship through Sustainability. For the first few weeks of this term we are looking at Citizenship through a Social Sciences lens, with a particular focus on the cultures within our classrooms and the bi-cultural nature of New Zealand. Later in the term we will kick off our first full Inquiry unit for the year.

Another big thank you to everyone for making a big effort to have your stationery ready for day 1. It does make a big difference to the children. This year we went with Eeny Meeny as their prices were more competitive. Unfortunately the process wasn't as streamlined as My School via Office Max. We'll do some investigating to see if we can get the same service at the better price point.

Touch and Floor ball had a short lead up and the season is underway. If you are interested in joining, it's not too late and it would be great to have some more of our girls participate. Touch- contact Klare Braye on 027 7039829  
Floorball- contact Paul Abbott on 021 502817

"Meet the Teacher" evening begins at 5.30pm. Feel free to bring along dinner and mix and mingle with other families before heading into our learning spaces and finding out what goes on.  
Harakeke Karen, Chloe and Julia- 6.00-6.15pm  
Whanake Sylvia and Jayne-6.15-6.30pm  
Māhuri Room 1 Mrs Martin and Room 3 Rowena 6.30-6.45pm

We look forward to extending a warm welcome to all new families, friends and staff at our pōwhiri this Friday.

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Nāku noa nā,  
Tineke and the team

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## WELCOME

To Alan and Rebeca Fleming to Harakeke and Whanake respectively. Welcome also to Alan and Rebeca's family to our school community.

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## VIRTUES

The focus for the following fortnight is "Respect" or "Whaka-ute"

I am practising Respect when I.....

- 🌀 Treat others as I want to be treated
  - 🌀 Speak courteously to everyone
  - 🌀 Take special care of other people's belongings
  - 🌀 Honour the rules of my family, school and nation
  - 🌀 Expect for my body and my rights
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## COMING UP....

Yoga/Pilates Classes at Owhiro Bay School – Mornings!

Currently Sue is running classes on a Wednesday evening from 6.30 pm in the school hall and is interested in running an early morning class (day to be determined) from this term.

The cost would be the same as the evening class \$5.00 per person.

If you are interested in this idea, please contact Wendy in the office or Sue 9382.484 / 027 6943970

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## LUNCH MENU AVAILABLE FROM SCHOOL

For you information, the following items are available from the school canteen:

Mince Pie	\$2.00
Hawaiian Pizza	\$2.00
Sausage Roll	\$1.50
Butter Chicken Wrap	\$3.00
Small Cookie	\$ .80
Rice Wheels	\$1.00
Muffins (chocolate or blueberry)	\$1.00
Bottle of Water	\$1.20

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## SUNSMART SUNHATS

A reminder that in Term 1 and Term 4 children need to wear a sunhat when outside every day. We encourage hats as opposed to caps to provide extra care in looking after the necks and ears of students and also encourage students to wear sunblock and sun glasses when they are outside during the "sunsmart" months to keep them safe from the sun's harmful rays. Thinking about enrolling your kids in Swimming this term?

Check out the learn to swim (non-competitive) swim clubs. They offer really effective tuition at a fraction of the price (about \$70.00 for the year!).

They are also about having fun, their genuine intent to get every child swimming.

Both clubs are more than happy for you to go along and give it a go for however long you need.

**Hataitai Swim Club** do half hour classes from 5.30-7.00pm on Friday at Freyberg Pool.

(NB-from personal experience they come across as a bit chaotic-but they are brilliant. We started here when ollie was 4)

<https://www.communityfinder.org.nz/h/hataitai-swimming-club>. Doesn't provide much info but go along and check it out

**Maranui Swim Club** do hour long classes from 7.00-8.00pm on Friday at Freyberg

They are also very very brilliant, the older kids do lengths and the younger ones part lengths

<http://www.maranuiswimming.co.nz/>



(Every effort is made to present accurate information. The Board of Trustees does not accept responsibility for any inaccuracies. The Board is unable to accept responsibility for goods or services advertised.)

**Piano lessons are available** at Owhiro Bay School during school hours on Tuesdays. Please call 027 637 3764 or email Jonathan at [info@gopiano.co.nz](mailto:info@gopiano.co.nz) for further information."

## Island Bay Festival 2017 (11-19 Feb)

There's a lot going on over the nine days of our Island Bay Festival (11-19 Feb). So make a date to experience it all with friends and family. Particularly the Parade and Variety Show on Saturday, a Day in the Bay on Sunday, the Ribble Street Races on Sat 18 Feb (don't forget to enter and race) and the Teddy Bears' Picnic at Shorland Park on Sun 19 Feb.

Everything you need to know is on the website. And don't forget to follow us on Facebook:

<https://www.facebook.com/Islandbayfestival/>

[www.islandbayfestival.org.nz](http://www.islandbayfestival.org.nz)

Key favourites – you won't want to miss - include:

### Saturday

- **Yard Sales on The Parade:** Sat, 9:30am to 12:30pm
- **The Parade:** Sat, 2pm to get ready, 2:30pm to go (from Avon St), and the Variety Show (11:30-6:30/7pm) in Shorland Park - come and watch or better still, join in

## Sunday

- **Enter the swimming competition** (7:15am registration – on the beach, near the Jetty) – you'll be taken out to Tapu Te Ranga Island then swim back OR swim both ways  
**A Day in the Bay – it's huge:** Sun, 10am to 5pm. Bring your family and friends for a great day out. There'll be plenty going on, including big and small rides, delicious food, market stalls, displays, entertainment, bands... and more  
A special **Blessing of the sea wall at 1:30pm** – followed by the **Blessing of the Boats** ceremony.

For more details visit [www.islandbayfestival.org.nz](http://www.islandbayfestival.org.nz) - you can keep in touch using Facebook, Twitter and Instagram – send us your pics and favourite moments of the Festival.

**ICONZ - Junior Boys' Brigade** for boys Year 1-3. Meets 3.30-5pm on Thursdays at St Hilda's Church, 311 The Parade. Starts Thurs 9th Feb. Loads of fun activities, games, stories, crafts, and sports. Afternoon tea and a walking bus from school provided. **Boys' Brigade** for boys Year 4-6. Meets 6-7.30pm Year 7+ meets 6.45-8.30pm on Thursdays at Island Bay Presbyterian Church, 88 The Parade. Starts Thurs 9th Feb. Loads of fun activities, crafts, and sports, camps & tramps. Contact Melanie Heaphy for more information on [021702907](tel:021702907) or [Melanie.heaphy@farwest.co.nz](mailto:Melanie.heaphy@farwest.co.nz)

**Junior Girls' Brigade** – loads of fun for girls in Years 1-4, 3.30-5.30pm Wednesdays at Island Bay Presbyterian Church Hall, 88 The Parade. Crafts, games, stories, and friendship. Afternoon tea provided and a walking bus from

Island Bay School available. **Senior Girls' Brigade** – fun, friendship, crafts, life skills and more for girls in Years 5-13, 6.30-8.30pm Mondays at Island Bay Presbyterian Church Hall, 88 The Parade. For more info contact Brenda Watkin on 0211378062 or [brendajwatkin@gmail.com](mailto:brendajwatkin@gmail.com)

## Wonderplay

Wonderplay has spaces available for their Thursday drama classes at Island Bay Community Centre. Classes suitable for 5-13 year olds. Also ask about our famous Young Actors class for teens. First lesson free to try. Contact Debs [wonderplaydrama@gmail.com](mailto:wonderplaydrama@gmail.com), 021-172-2836 [www.wonderplay.co.nz](http://www.wonderplay.co.nz) y has spaces available for their Thursday drama classes at Island Bay Community Centre. Classes suitable for 5-13 year olds. Also ask about our famous Young Actors class for teens. First lesson free to try. Contact Debs [wonderplaydrama@gmail.com](mailto:wonderplaydrama@gmail.com), 021-172-2836 [www.wonderplay.co.nz](http://www.wonderplay.co.nz)