



*e tipu e rea* In our children lies our future

# NEWSLETTER



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## DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR

Swimming (juniors)	Every Tuesday
Wheels Day	Wednesdays
Environmental Day	13 November
Whole School Athletics Day	18 November
Learning Community Fair	22 November
Walk 'n' Wheels to School Day	25 November
Pack the Bus	4 December
Whole School Trip to Brookfields	9 December
School Prize Giving	16 December
Last Day of Term 4 (3.00 pm)	18 December
First Day of 2016	3 February

## FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Kia ora, Namaste, πpevet, Shalom, Talofa, Guten Tag, Vanakkam, ni Hao, Kia orana, Buenos Tardes, Namaste, πpevet, Shalom, Talofa, Konichiwa, Assalamulaikum, Salam, Hello everyone

We tried something new this week, many thanks to everyone who came to a pizza night and shared their ideas around how we can improve our reporting of student achievement. It was exciting to see so many people engaged in conversations about student learning. We'll add these ideas to the online responses and analyse all the information and see what improvements might need to be made.

The field of education is constantly evolving and we are faced with constant change. The revamp of the Education Act is the very latest. If you are interested in finding out more and having your say, check out [www.education.govt.nz](http://www.education.govt.nz) or try this direct link <http://www.education.govt.nz/ministry-of-education/consultations-and-reviews/education-act-update/>.

There is lots happening at school at this very busy time of the year and I want to thank you for all your helping hands. The parents who helped Miss Mills at the Southern Zone Athletics were fantastic. Mrs Reynolds has a dedicated group working hard on reading resources, and our regular library and stream volunteers are also out in force. Code Club got off to a great start last Thursday afternoon and numbers are growing for choir with Miss Mills each Thursday morning at 8.00am.

Our focus is on ensuring the success of the Country Fair and we still have a few slots to fill on the following stalls-Books/ Toys/ Helicopters/Jewellery/Raffles/Bouncy Ball/Silent Auction/Cakes and Sweets/ BBQ 4 Gluten Free and the Saturday morning set up from 10.00am till 12.00pm

Congratulations to Mrs Marett and her husband, on their baby news. We will be advertising for a teacher to cover her maternity leave for 2016.

Chat to your child about science and scientists, there are some interesting conversations happening. See you tonight at the Country Fair meeting, 7.00pm in the staffroom. I'm looking forward to Enviro Day tomorrow!

Noho ora mai rā, nā

Tineke and the team

## THANKS TO:

The parents/caregivers who were helped at the Southern Zone Athletics this week.

The Shoe Clinic for their \$50.00 donation to our school. For each pair of shoes purchased from them, they automatically donate \$10.00 to the school. Thank you for sponsoring our school!



## WELCOME

To Freya Laugesen who joined children in Room 5 this week. Welcome also to Freya's family to our school community.

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## NEEDED PLEASE

Newspapers needed please. These can be dropped off to Room 6 or the school office – thanks.

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## ENVIRO DAY – FRIDAY 13<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER

We would love to see you this Friday 13th for our Enviro Day where we will be weeding and putting out tracking tunnels again. Adult helpers desperately needed between 9:30 and 12:40 please.

Also if you have any takeaway container lids – please send into school.

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## NITS

Please check your child/ren's heads for nits as they are around the community. A reminder that we have a robi comb in the office for your use.

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## SWIMMING LESSONS IN TERM 4 FOR ROOMS 4,5,6 AND 7

These occur EVERY Tuesday.

Please ensure your child has named togs and a towel at school each Tuesday. We are unable to ring you if these are forgotten. These lessons are funded by the Board of Trustees and provide valuable life skills for your child. We appreciate your support.

Please also ensure that your child has sunblock as the pool area is not under a sun shade.



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## SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS – URGENT

Please let Wendy know **if you have not received** your child/ren's individualised photo envelope or you have an envelope with another child's photo on the front. All children should have received/brought home an envelope with their child/ren's portrait photo on the front (and if requested – a sibling photograph). An envelope may have come home with your child that doesn't have a photo of them on the front. If so, could you please return to school.

Photo envelopes need to be returned to school with money enclosed by next Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> at the very latest.

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## VIRTUES

Our focus for the following fortnight is "Excellence" or "Tino pai rawa"

You are practising Excellence when you....

- 🌀 Give of your best to whatever you do
- 🌀 Give your best to relationships
- 🌀 Set noble and realistic goals
- 🌀 Remember to plan and practice
- 🌀 Don't try to do everything
- 🌀 Develop your own gifts.

Congratulations to our virtue voucher winners from last week – Culhane Clark (Responsibility) and Antonio Cooper (Cleanliness)

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## TE KUPU O TE WIKI

Moe = sleep

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## SPORTS SPOT

### Athletics

Our Athletics team represented the school at Southern Zone Athletics on Tuesday. Well done who all that participated, your sportsmanship and effort was a credit to you all.

Congratulations to Rico Jackson (Quoits & High Jump) and Freeman Dombroski (High Jump) who will be representing the Southern Zone at the Interzone Athletics Competition on the 24th November.

If you were given a t shirt for athletics (not for touch rugby and floorball), please return them (washed) to Wendy.

**We are going to try again with our whole school athletics day on Wednesday 18th November. We really do need parents to help run the events, so if you can help, please email [vikki@owhiro.school.nz](mailto:vikki@owhiro.school.nz)**



### Floorball Summary – Week 4

The Stingrays took another big step forward this week. Great teamwork led to 3 good goals to Austin and Roshan x 2. Good passing mixed with good dribbling kept the opposition guessing.

Scot's tried hard to make the comeback but the boys did well by maintaining their focus with some good defence. Webster and Max had good night in goal too with a number of crucial saves. Roshan earned Player of the Match with a great display. Final score 3-1 to the Stingrays- well done! It is a team effort with parents helping out with match reports, player of the day and subbing.

The Year 4 Orcas won 5-3 against Miramar North. It was really great work on passing and team setups this week – corners were great! Lots of great shots on goal. Best game so far! Some spectacular saves by both Felix and Kahu. Player of the day was Lenn.

Snappers played really well against a skilful Houghton Bay.

They lost 11-0 but there was some great defence from everyone on the team.

Aoife got player of the day for making some great saves as goalie in the first half. There was also some great attacking from Erica, Ella and Eli.

### Touch Rugby

What a sterling effort the players (and supporters) made last week turning up and playing in rain, sleet and hail – you are amazing.

### OB1 vs The Green Machine

The OB1s were great, with nearly the whole team turning up to play, showing courage, tenacity and amazing team spirit. The OB1s first ever try was scored by Thomas who also scored Player of the Day. The other team won because they knew how to play touch properly, but the OB1s can address this by being at practice 4pm Sunday.

### Combined Herons and OB Rocks Team- Vs Lyall Bay

We only had one team because there wasn't enough players turn up as the weather was horrible!. Player of the day was Austin-who had a tough game but played like a star.

The Hero(n)s- combined with OB Rocks players, went down 4-3, losing in the last minutes after the ref awarded a try to the dummy half.

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## OWHIRO BAY COUNTRY FAIR

Sunday 22 November, 10.30 – 2.30



Please see attachment with this week's newsletter

### Community Notices

*(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).*

#### Baby Sitter Available

Sunny Wallace a former student at Owhiro Bay School, nearly 15 yrs old, is looking for babysitting work. He has experience and can provide a phone reference. He lives in the neighborhood and loves kids. He has diving, gymnastics and trampolining training which makes him a great playmate.

He is also available for lawn mowing or other chores.

0223186910 or home 9706648

#### CIGNA KIDS WATERFRONT FUN RUN

Come and be a part of the Cigna Kids Waterfront Fun Run on Wednesday 16 December at Frank Kitts Park. Personalised race bibs, certificates, spot prizes and a Cigna Carnival including a BBQ, face painting and much more. Races for pre schoolers through to year 8s. First race starts at 4.30pm. Only \$7 to enter at [www.athleticshub.co.nz/events](http://www.athleticshub.co.nz/events) or contact Jo Murray for more info at [jo@athleticswellington.org.nz](mailto:jo@athleticswellington.org.nz). Enter before 8 December for your personalised bib and certificate and the chance to win spot prizes.

“Come and join fencing, in the process to have a FUN during the summer holiday.

**Where:** Baptist Church, 24 Donald McLean Street, Newtown

**When:** Tuesday 26/1 and Wednesday 27/1 (9am – 3pm)

Fee: \$130/two days

For further information and to book a place contact PING YUAN at [nz\\_wfc@outlook.com](mailto:nz_wfc@outlook.com) or 021 059 2558”

Evidence and background is available upon your request.

### Kim's Dumplings

Kim's Dumplings in Owhiro Bay are hand crafted and enjoyed by many. Her **new products - gluten-free range** dumplings and sauces are also available now. Wrappers are hand-made with carrot and spinach puree to provide natural colouring. She only uses the best ingredients with free-range meat, fresh vegetables and all natural flavours. These gourmet dumplings and condiments are free of flavour enhancers, MSG, preservatives or additives.

There are 3 awesome flavours: Pork & chives with natural wrapper, chicken & cabbage with carrot wrapper and 7+ vegetables with spinach wrapper. Mix your flavours, take it home frozen to the pan and enjoy it. Condiments are Tangy Lemony Sauce, Chilli Crush and Chilli Oil.

Dumplings \$18/dozen, gluten-free dumplings \$24/dozen, condiments \$10/jar. Please contact Kim on 0211836602, or [kimjit@gmail.com](mailto:kimjit@gmail.com). Pick up is at 64 Owhiro Bay Parade or other prior arrangement.

### Owhiro Stream working bee - This Saturday - Last one for this year

*Friends of Owhiro Stream*

Activity:	Completing the mulching around our September planting Digging out blackberry, general weeding <i>Celebrating the hard work we have put in this year</i> Families most welcome We provide tools, gloves and morning tea Bring Sturdy footwear and warm clothes
Time:	Saturday 14th November 10am - 12.30 pm
Location:	Murchison Street, near the intersection with Happy Valley Road Look out for the FOOS flag
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