

ROCKS

Respect Originality Confidence Kindness Success

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DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR

Board of Trustees Meeting 15 February

COMING UP

Meet the Teacher Evening 6-7.00 pm 22 February

WEEKLY EVENTS

Monday	Marzipan Drama Classes
Wednesdays	Wheels Day Creek Crew
Friday	Assembly 2.20pm Last Friday of each month – Parent Link Coffee Club

TERM DATES 2018

Term 1 29 January – 13 April

(Good Friday 30 March, Easter Monday 2 April and Easter Tuesday 3 April – school closed)

Term 2 30 April – 6 July

Term 3 23 July – 29 September

Teacher Only Day 3 August

Term 4 15 October – 14 December

Teacher Only Day 23 October

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

Thank you to all the families who supported our tamariki last Friday, we really appreciated your presence. The family picnic was a relaxed affair and we were so lucky with the weather.



The teachers appreciated the opportunity to chat with you and make connections. (Our more formal meet the teacher evenings are being held on 22 February). Please make the effort to attend as this is where you will learn about the important routines and expectations of each of our learning hubs and individual teachers.

You will have noticed that the safety surfacing under the playgrounds is looking the worse for wear and the bark has been depleted. This often happens after a good storm. Please take extra care when using the playgrounds after hours, until we replace the safety surface.

Currently we participate in the Fonterra Milk in Schools programme. Over time arrangements around how we distribute the milk have become blurred. With an increase in pupil numbers and a new co-ordinator we are looking to tighten up this routine. Milk is no longer available from the hall on a help yourself basis and will not be available after

school. We are struggling with the half empty cartons that get left lying around, the bits of straw plastic that blow into the sea, and a general sense of entitlement that is starting to creep in. We will be revisiting our participation in this programme as part our Health and PE curriculum bi-annual consultation later this year.

I am very excited to announce that we have a parent keen to continue with Ukulele lessons for our tamariki. We are looking to run a smaller sized group for those who wish to continue on from last year. We are also looking for another parent or two, to assist with making sure the ukuleles are in tune, and the students' fingers in position for the chords. If you can help please let me know. A suitable day and time will be set once we can get interested parents together and then a note will go out in the newsletter calling for student interest.

Eddie from Harakeke is keen to raise funds for the people of Tonga who have been affected by cyclone Gita. If you would like to help you can leave a koha with Wendy/Jan in the office.

Ka pai to rā

Tineke and the team.

WELCOME

To Miles Giblin who joined children in Harakeke this week, Ngutuawa Kingston-Waerea and Sovannmalatey Hak who joined children in Whanake (R6). Welcome also to the families of these three children to our school community.



THANK YOU

To the parents who organised the tug of war at the family picnic.

To Caine Henwood for assisting with the BBQ



VALUE OF THE WEEK

Originality

At Owhiro Bay School we recognise each child as an individual and celebrate their original ideas and suggestions.

Congratulations to Rebecca Wash who won the Value Voucher for "Success" and Keir Prebble for "Respect" in Week 1.

Congratulations to Taylor Crayford who won the Value Voucher for "Success" and Leif Schaeffer for "Originality" in Week 2.

BIRTHDAY WISHES

Best wishes to the following children who have birthdays coming up:

Te Rira Solomon-Murch 15/2

Viraaj Raj 16/2

Taylor Crayford 19/2

Lilly-Anne Menzies 19/2

Elliot Smith 21/2

Enjoy your day!

VOLUNTARY DONATIONS

Donations remain at \$200.00 per student for the year. In accordance with Ministry of Education guidelines this donation is not tagged to specific items and is voluntary. Donations made by parents enable us to enhance the breadth and depth of our teaching and learning programmes. Statements will continue to be sent home termly as friendly reminders and we welcome weekly/fortnightly/termly payment plans.

Keep your receipts as you can claim a tax rebate through the Inland Revenue Department.



Lost

Rome has lost his Adidas shoes (red, black & white) approx size 2
Alaka 022 533 1942

CCS Disability Action

CCS Disability Action has recently launched a phone app to report abuse of Mobility Car Parks. We have received a number of abuse reports for cars parking in the designated mobility car park at your school, without a permit.

You may like to have a look at our video <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5OiHZL03wJo> to raise social awareness of the impact of abuse.

Piano Lessons

Take the opportunity of piano lessons with Go Piano. We make sure your child starts learning the right way with one-on-one lessons utilizing our successful teaching program. Start with us this term and your first 2 lessons are free. Go to gopiano.co.nz or call 0276373764 to learn more and sign up.

ISLAND BAY UNITED JUNIOR FOOTBALL REGISTRATIONS FOR THE 2018 SEASON are now OPEN.

You can register online using your MyComet player login details from NZ Football. Please refer to the IBU Junior website for information www.ibujuniors.org.nz Or you can sign up in person at our registration night on Thursday February 15th from 6–8pm at the IBU Clubrooms at Wakefield Park. We'd love to see you.

All players wanting to **trial for 9th grade and up** please remember registration must be completed and paid for prior to **trials on Sunday 25th Feb and Sunday 4th March.**

Registration for Winter Season closes 28 February 2018. All queries to registration@ibujuniors.org.nz

If your player wants some **pre-season training** you can register for the Friday afternoon Skills sessions <http://ibujuniors.org.nz/events/ibu-sharks-skills-sessions-term-1-2018>

or if girls would prefer there is a Monday afternoon NZF Girls Skills Centre training <http://ibujuniors.org.nz/events/nzf-girls-skills-centre-term-1-2018>

The Weetbix Tryathalon

The Weetbix Tryathalon is coming up on the 18th March. If you have registered your child to participate on the day can you please check that you have linked them to the Owhiro Bay School team. If you could please send me an email letting me know if you have registered your child, that would be great, then I can compare who is linked to the school team and who needs to be signed up.

Thanks chloe@owhiro.school.nz

Instep Dance Studio

Located in Island Bay & Houghton Bay, we offer ballet, jazz and contemporary dance classes for children aged 3-18years. FREE TRIAL CLASSES AVAILABLE to see if dance is suitable for you and your child. Experienced, and qualified teachers. To enrol or book a free trial, contact Lesley at: instepdance@hotmail.com or 021 202 7750 To find out more information, visit our website www.instepdancestudio.co.nz

Aikido Classes for Children

Shodokan Aikido Wellington runs aikido classes for children interested in learning a defensive martial art. Great for building self-esteem and fitness.

The class runs from 6.30pm-7.30pm on Mondays at the Marine Education Centre in Island Bay (building on the beach). Details on the website at www.shodokanaikido.org.nz or register via email at shodokanaikidowellington@gmail.com. First class is free so give it a try!

BIGAIR GYMSPORTS OWHIRO BAY WGTN

If you have a child who loves doing handstands, cartwheels, walkovers, flips, or cheerleading, then they will love Bigair Gym! At Bigair Gymsports, kids love **Gymnastics, Trampoline, Tumbling, Parkour,** and **Cheerleading!** We have classes to support children of all levels and interests. As children learn new gym

skills they will increase their flexibility, balance, coordination, strength, and fitness. The benefit for our children is that they learn extensive personal skills from Gym, which includes; increased self-confidence, self-reflection, listening skills, persistence, self-pride, and so much more! It is highly recommended that children start gymnastics from 3yrs, as it provides excellent preparation for starting school. Once children are at school, gym is beneficial as it replicates the fundamental learning processes which supports children's learning at school, so the advantages and rewards are substantial. Did you know that Bigair Gym also offer Birthday Parties? To find out more, please call our Bigair Gym Owhiro Bay on 3838779 or email wgtm@bigairgym.co.nz