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NEWSLETTER



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DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR

BOT Meeting 7.00 pm	22 March
Hangi this Friday at 5.00 pm	24 March
Owhiro Stream Information Day 10.00 am – 2.00 pm in the school hall	25 March
Parentlink Coffee Club 2.15 pm in the Staffroom	31 March
Enviro Day	31 March
Parentlink Icecream Sale (last day of term)	13 April
Staff Training Day – Inquiry Learning	6 July

COMING UP

Parentlink Meeting	9 May
Next Board of Trustees Meeting	18 May
Parentlink Movie Night	25 August

WEEKLY EVENTS

Monday	Marzipan Drama Classes
Tuesday	Floorball 6.00 pm
Wednesday	Wheels Day Stream Team 9 – 11.00 am Touch Games
Thursday	Recorder Classes 8.30 a.m. (Beginners) 3.00 pm (Advanced) Code Club 3.30 – 4.30 pm
Friday	Assemy led by Year 4 students at 2.20 pm in the Hall – Mrs Martin & Rowena

Parentlink Coffee Club in the staffroom last Friday of each month

Saturday Touch Practice 10.00 am school field

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, πρεвет

Take a look around our learning spaces and notice the various displays of class treaties and the ways in which we have celebrated the cultures of our ākonga through stories, taonga, pictures and words. We know who we are! Our hāngi this Friday is another opportunity to learn and partake in tikanga Māori. Our students will be involved in various stages of the preparations throughout the day. This annual event is both a social occasion and a celebration of maori culture. It is also a fitting way to end our first unit of learning. Coming up next under our "What is Sustainable?" 2017 kaupapa is our science based Inquiry.

Last night Parentlink held a very successful Wine and Cheese evening along with the Annual General Meeting. Many thanks to Klare Braye for supplying the tasty nibbles. Office holders for 2017 were elected. Congratulations to: Aimee Castle as Parent Link Chairperson
Kim McNicol as Parentlink Treasurer
Lauren Wash and Kate Blakeley as Parentlink co-secretary. Please see attached with this newsletter the Chairperson's report from 2016.

It's exciting to see new faces join the team. Many thanks to our out-going office holders for their stirring work over the years. Klare Braye, Wendy Abbott and Emma Debreceny have all devoted many hours to the cause and Owhiro Bay School is very fortunate to have enjoyed such tremendous support. We look forward to a fun-filled year and we have the dates for Parentlinks regular events for your calendars.

#lotsofsocks

Wear #lotsofsocks on
World Down Syndrome Day.



We want to
get people talking.

It is easy to do, wherever you
are, just wear socks which people
will ask you about!

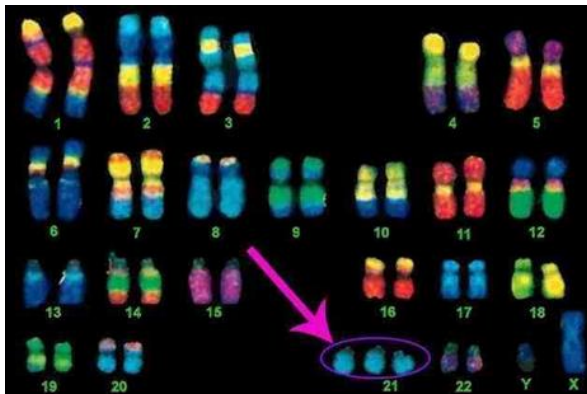
Learn more • Buy socks • Donate • Fundraise

www.worlddownsyndromeday.org/lots-of-socks



Support us on Tuesday 21 March 2017

Yesterday Room 1 celebrated World Down Syndrome Day. This occurs on 21st March (21/3) as it is Chromosome 21 that has an extra chromosome. The picture of our chromosomes looks like socks, hence #lotsofsocks. We celebrated by designing the most colourful and creative socks we could. They're being put up in the hallway outside Room 1, so check them out!



At this Thursday's Board Meeting we will be endorsing our Charter. The Charter includes our new strategic goals and our Annual plan for 2017. I look forward to sharing this with you all via our website, as it reflects the feedback you gave us through our community consultation processes in 2016 and action points from our ERO review. We are very focussed on raising student achievement and ensuring success for all.

This Saturday 25th, the Greater Regional Wellington Council is holding an Open Day at Owhiro Bay School from 10.00am until 2.00pm in the school hall so that you can learn more about the Owhiro Bay Stream and have your say. Please take the opportunity to pop in and speak to representatives and check out this link

<http://haveyoursay.gw.govt.nz/whats-happening-with-owhiro-stream>

A reminder that Wendy works in the office from 8.00am to 2.30 pm each day except for Thursday when she is available from 8.00 until 10.30am.

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Nāku noa nā,
Tineke and the team

WELCOME

To Georgia Crerar who joined children in Harakeke this week. Georgia has a sister in Whanake.

WANTED PLEASE

Do you have an unwanted small pop up play tent you could donate to the school? Please see Wendy or Tineke. Thanks

HĀNGI – TICKETS ON SALE FROM THE SCHOOL OFFICE

Tickets are selling fast – please don't be disappointed! Each hāngi parcel contains an adult portion of food – pork, chicken and lamb, potato, kūmara, pumpkin, cabbage and stuffing. You may like to share one parcel between two or more people. Please BYO drinks for children and adults

The evening begins at 5.00 pm with some whaikōrero and waiata by the children, followed by the lifting of the kai at approximately 5.30 pm. We hope you can join us for this social occasion. If you are not fond of hāngi food, please BYO food/takeaways and join us for the evening get together and remember to bring something to sit on outside as the ground can be a bit cool to sit on.

Can you help?

- **Two or three people** to help with the rubbish bags at the end of the night – putting them into the skip.
- **Desperately need help** on Saturday morning with the general clear up – putting sacks away in the garage and helping rake the top soil back over the pit.

What happens at the hāngi

- Tineke greets gathered community and any invited guests at 5pm
- Children sing waiata to parents on the Whanake deck
- Paul Eagle speaks on behalf of the Owhiro Bay Community (and anyone else who would like to speak)
- Parents sing Te Aroha (see lyrics below) in support of Paul's speech
- Karakia to bless the kai said by a Year 6 student while on deck
- The baskets of kai are taken out of the pit by the men and kai is served approx 5:30pm

**“Te Aroha
Te whakapono
Me te rangimarie
Tātou tātou e”
(sung twice)**



VIRTUES

We continue this week to focus on "Compassion" or "pa-te-aroa"

I am practising "Compassion" when I:

- 🕒 Notice when someone is hurt or needs a friend
- 🕒 Stop what I am doing and show that I care
- 🕒 Ask what hurts and listen patiently
- 🕒 Forgive others and myself when mistakes are made

Congratulations to

Waimarino Garland-Ross who won the virtues voucher draw last week for "Compassion"

Awards from last week

SUNSMART SUNHATS

Wow! What do you think of the bright new shade cloths?

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.

BIRTHDAY WISHES

To the following students who has a birthdays coming up...

Samara Wilkinson 27/3

Portia McLean 28/3

Poppy Sadler 28/3

Max O'Neil 28/3

All the best for a happy birthday



NITS

Thank you to the parent that notified us that nits are around in the community.

Please check your child/ren's hair regularly and treat if necessary.

A reminder there is a robi comb available to borrow from the office.

SPORTS SPOT

Touch reports

Year 3-4 OB1s

Another amazing team effort. Lucas was the outstanding player of the day. His defence and speed for scoring a couple of tries helped keep the score to a close game, 5 versus 4 to the opposition. This team has developed in to a growing unit, with some really strong players supporting by some amazing up and coming, good listening hard working support
Remember training on Saturday 10 - 11am, Good luck next game team.,

Year 5-6 Owhiro Bay Rocks

Another close game, Owhiro bay rocks vs St Francis De Sales.

Owhiro Bay rocks kicks off. Ollie with a quick try, yay shouts the crowd! St Francis De Sales scores, yay shouts the crowd (well some of the crowd).

The try scorers were Thomas with a thrilling try and Ollie zoomed pass everyone like a flash and scored twice. The final score was 3 all!!! And Ollie got player of the day. (By Dylan)

Week five game times:

5	Berhampore Turbos (mixed)	vs	OB1s	4.00pm	22-Mar	2b
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5	Owhiro Bay Rocks	vs	Scots Totallers	4.30pm	22-Mar	2a
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Floorball

We played Miramar School North again last night and went down 5 - 3. It could have been a larger loss if not for some great saves from Lenn in goal which earned him player of the day. Our goals were scored by Makaela, Erika, and Rico.

RECORDER LESSONS

What a great introduction to music! Come and enjoy learning the recorder or advancing your recorder skills.

Classes are run each Thursday at 8.30 for beginners and 3.00 pm for advanced. Classes are free and the school provides the recorders etc. Please join in the fun on Thursdays. Thank you Inka!



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Owhiro Stream information day

GWRC are hosting an information day this Saturday 25th March at Owhiro Bay School Hall between 10am and 2pm. You are welcome to drop in anytime.

You are invited to hear about what's happening with the Owhiro Stream and learn more about sampling and monitoring, and how you can be involved.

More information can be found on the event page here: <https://www.facebook.com/events/1669239863380115/>

Stream Update

An update has been posted on our webpage regarding the Owhiro Stream discharge. The webpage can be accessed here: <http://www.gw.govt.nz/t-and-t-landfill/>.

This update is largely regarding the release of the ecological assessment, but also includes information regarding our upcoming Owhiro Stream information day on Saturday 25th March 2017 at Owhiro Bay School Hall. More information can be found on the above link or on the event page [here](#).

KONECT After-School workshops & Breakout Dance Classes

Konect is an After-school Programme with a Baking Workshop for Year 6 to Year 9 young people on Wednesdays from 3-5pm at Wellington South Baptist Church. Please bring a koha (gold coin) towards costs. We provide a range of workshops and activities that are run by qualified Youth Workers.

Breakout Dance are HIPHOP Dance Classes that are run by experienced dance tutors; all who have graduated from EXCEL school of performing arts. All classes cost \$7.50 per lesson or you can pay this online per term. Times of classes are as follows:

- Monday 3:30-4:15pm 5 and 6 year olds at Island Bay Community Centre
- Monday 4:15-5pm 7 to 10 year olds at the Island Bay Community Centre.
- Wednesday 5-6pm Wellington South Baptist Church 10-14 year olds.

We have a limited number of places but there is currently room in each of them. If interested please contact Director of Services at lorna.esyt@gmail.com

Mind Over Manner

Workshops to be held on Thursday 6th April at 7-9pm and Friday 7th April at 10.30am - 12.30pm at Te Whaea National Dance and Drama Centre in Newtown. The workshops explore sensory processing and cognitive differences. Please see emailed attachments to newsletter.