

# ROCKS

Respect Originality Confidence Kindness Success

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## DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR

Photo Envelopes due back	24 November
Information Evening Cohort Entry OB Kindergarten 7.00 pm	29 November
End of Year Prizegiving 6.30 – 7.30 pm <b>SWIS Hall</b> <b>Date change</b>	<b>11 December</b>
Year 6 Education Outside the Classroom	13 December
Whole School Big Day Out	14 December
Last Day of the Year 2.00 pm	15 December

## 2018

Start 8.55 am	29 January
Teacher Only Day	3 August
Teacher Only Day	23 October

## WEEKLY EVENTS MONDAY

<b>Monday</b>	Marzipan Drama Classes Week 7 – 27 <b>November</b> - no class
<b>Tuesday</b>	Whole School Swimming Floorball
<b>Wednesday</b>	Wheels Day Ukulele Orchestra 8.00 am Touch Games – Wakefield Park
<b>Thursday</b>	Recorder Classes 8.30 a.m. Code Club 3.30 – 4.30 pm Assembly 2.20 pm
<b>Saturday</b>	Touch Practice

## 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, Mälō e lelei, Sawasdee, πpevet**

Sometimes words just aren't enough! This year's Country Fair was a stunning event and I keep hearing from the children just how much they enjoyed it. I've also heard from out of towners who commented on the relaxed vibe, the peaceful atmosphere and family fun. I hope you enjoyed it as much as we did.

The success of the Fair relies on all the work that goes on behind the scenes and everyone who gives so generously of their time, skills and talents. There are a couple of features that make our Fair stand out. The helicopter sure makes a statement, and the horses are a real drawcard. I would like to make a special mention to the Wellington Light Horse Association who support us every year by bringing their wonderful horses, donating their time and people power and also 100% of the money they raise on the day.

This year we raised approximately \$29,000.00 for the benefit of the children in our One Learning Community. Both Christina and I are humbled by all your efforts on our behalf. Thank you, one and all.



I appreciate it when parents/caregivers speak to me directly to let me know when I have made a mistake. To the eagle eye that spotted a clash of dates in regards to our prizegiving you will note in this week's newsletter that our Prizegiving will now be held on Monday evening of the last week of term. The changes in dates have been made to accommodate the Year 6 overnight trip and previous SWIS hall bookings. My apologies for any inconvenience this may cause you, please note the new date in your calendars.

On Wednesday 29th November we are holding an information evening to discuss cohort entry. The Board of Trustees are keen to hear what your views might be. Come along to find out more at 7.00pm in the Owhiro Bay Kindergarten.

Introducing Nicola McKeivitt



Nicola has 11 years of teaching experience over a range of settings and has previously taught at Cashmere Avenue School in Wellington. One of her many strengths is the Visual Arts area of the curriculum. She is able to bring out each child's unique strengths and help them find their passions. Nicola is looking forward to teaching new entrants and building relationships with our early education providers. Nicola will be a great addition to Harakeke and work as part of the team with Chloe and Amie. She will train in Reading Recovery in 2018. Her return to Wellington means she will be closer to family.

Tineke and the Team

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## SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS

If you are wishing to order photographs and have not ordered online, envelopes with money enclosed are due back at school by Thursday 23 November, ready for Friday collection.



## Raffle Results

Please note that all raffle prize winners have been notified.

- 1<sup>st</sup> Prize : Gina  
2<sup>nd</sup> Prize : Rod Field  
3<sup>rd</sup> Prize : Morgan Clare  
4<sup>th</sup> Prize : Susan T  
5<sup>th</sup> Prize : Beatrice D.

Thank you everyone for your support.

## Cake Competition Winners:

- Adult Division: Kerry Pearson  
Senior Division: Olliver Bond / Runner Up Rebecca Abbott  
Junior Division: Phoebe Pearson / Runner Up Isaac de Groot  
Participation Awards(Junior Division): Elizabeth Wash, Ruby Taylor, Leah Castle (special mention – made with a broken arm), Lenni Weightman and Jesse, Jade, Fern.  
Participation Awards (Senior Division): TeRira Solomoon-Murch, Rachel Pearson, Eimear Trainor, Aoife Trainor, Athena LaGrange, Rebecca Wash, Poppy Sadler

Awards will be presented at assembly on Thursday.

## Canteen Sales

Please note that left over water and juice from the fair will sold from the lunchroom each day.

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## VALUE OF THE WEEK

Our focus this week is "originality" or auahatanga"

Our winner of the Value of the Week award goes to Lenni Weightman for "Kindness".

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## LOST PROPERTY

Please check the lost property in the corridor by the hall. There is a huge amount of items that need to be re-united with their owners.

Any un-named, unclaimed items at the end of term will be donated to a local charity.

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## BIRTHDAY WISHES

Happy birthday to the following student who has a birthday coming up.....

~ ~ ~ Rubus Schuster 25/11 ~ ~ ~

ENJOY YOUR DAY!



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## SUNSMART SUNHATS

A reminder that in Term 1 and 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 encouraging 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

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## SPORTS SPOT

### The Weet-bix Triathlon

The Weet-bix Triathlon is being held in Wellington on Sunday 11th March 2018. This is a great opportunity for kids to swim, cycle and run their way around age appropriate courses, either as an individual or as part of a team of two. It would be great to get more kids involved and we can register as a school and be in to win some great prizes. Please let me know as soon as possible if you are interested.

[chloe@owhiro.school.nz](mailto:chloe@owhiro.school.nz)

### Floorball Report:

Owhiro Bay Snappers went down to the home side 4 - 0 in the final. No excuses apart from a giant in their team (did I say no excuses?). Kilbirnie were a better side, but we took it with good sportsmanship. Better luck next year. "

### Touch Game reports:

#### OB1

This week the OB1s played Scots Torpedoes and we won. Within the first few minutes the team was passing the ball twice (just like they practiced on Saturday) and it paid off straight away, with some great teamwork and Charlie scoring first points in the corner. There were some fast runners in the Scots Torpedoes and the OB1s chased hard and defended well. Zoe scored a try just before half time. In the second half there were more great tries from both teams. The fast legs of Kobe, Enzo and Charlie all resulted in OB1 points. Touches from Atarau, James and Louie stopped Scots from scoring too many tries. The final score was 7 - 5 to OB1s. Great game. Will received player of the day with his great attitude and running the ball up, almost scoring a try.

## Owhiro Bay Rocks

Unfortunately, we lost our game (by far) this week because of their good defence. Still Arun and Ollie managed to score a try. Tim played really good for his second game.

By Lenn

### Draw for week 4

4	OB1s	vs	Island Bay	
Tigers	4.30pm		22-Nov	1a
4	Owhiro Bay Rocks	vs	Wadestown	
	5.00pm		22-Nov	3a

Thanks all  
Have a great week



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## PRIDE LANDS FUN HOLIDAY ADVENTURES

### SUMMER HOLIDAYS AT OTARI SCHOOL AND BERHAMPORE SCHOOL

**Dates:** Dec 18th 2017 – Jan 26th 2018 from 7.00am-7pm daily.

**Fees:** Daily \$81/cub per session or \$148 for two or more siblings per session ; Weekly: \$238 per cub/week or \$448 for two or more siblings/week.

**Discounts Available:** Wild Card (15%).

Interactive Activities and Morning Tea, Lunch and Afternoon Tea provided.

**One-on-One Care:** Provide for cub(s) if needed for extra support.

### SHUTTLE SERVICES AVAILABLE

**Please contact us: 0800 PRIDE 4 U Or Register online: [www.pridelands.org.nz](http://www.pridelands.org.nz)**

### BigAir Gym

We can help make your Christmas Shopping much easier this year! Send the kids to BIGAIR GYM for our Drop & Shop! Get your Christmas shopping done while your children have some active fun at BIGAIR! From Monday the 18<sup>th</sup> to Thursday the 21<sup>st</sup> of December, Bigair Gym will be running their popular **pre-CHRISTMAS DROP & SHOP HOLIDAY PROGRAMME!**

Our **JANUARY HOLIDAY PROGRAMME** runs from Monday the 8<sup>th</sup> to Friday the 26<sup>th</sup> Jan 2018. Children will enjoy fun and active sessions full

of **gymnastics circuits, gym challenges, competitions, free play, structured games,** and **talent quests.** Children that love gym and parkour will love practicing and extending their skills during these sessions.

BIGAIR GYM offers classes in **trampoline, parkour, cheerleading,** and **tumbling.** We have **gymnastics** classes for toddlers, pre-schoolers, and school aged children. We also host kids Birthday Parties! Term 1 2018 bookings open from Monday 27<sup>th</sup> Nov 2017, classes fill up fast so call BIGAIR today!

Book into the Holiday Programme or for Term 1 2018 classes online [www.bigairgym.co.nz](http://www.bigairgym.co.nz) or contact BIGAIR TAWA on 232 3508, email [office@bigairgym.co.nz](mailto:office@bigairgym.co.nz) or contact BIGAIR OWHIRO BAY on 383 8779, email [wgtn@bigairgym.co.nz](mailto:wgtn@bigairgym.co.nz) we would love to hear from you!

### SPECIAL OPEN DAY

#### Capital Trout Centre Open Day Sunday 10th December 2017

Children must have a licence to fish for trout and free licences/tickets are available from Monday 27<sup>th</sup> November 2017 at the following stores:-

**Steve's Fishing Shop, 49 Ghuznee Street (off Cuba Mall)**

**FishScene Ltd , 1C Taurimu Street, Hataitai Village**

**Hutt Valley Hunting & Fishing, 444 Cuba Street, Lower Hutt**

The Centre is located behind the WCC Administration buildings on the way to the Wellington City Council Southern Landfill, on Landfill Road, Happy Valley, Wellington and is open to the public on specific days.

Children do not have to bring any gear as Club members will assist children to catch a trout on fly fishing tackle.

As the Centre is manned and maintained by volunteers we rely on donations to cover our expenses of purchasing the fish from the hatcheries, fish food and general maintenance.

Contact: Strato 387 7878 (wk) 386 3740 (hm)

### Shoe Clinic Fundraiser

I am writing on behalf of Shoe Clinic Wellington, Lower Hutt & Porirua to let you know of our **Back to School program & how your school can get a \$10 donation for each pair of school shoes purchased from Shoe Clinic!**

We stock a comprehensive range of school shoes from Ascent, Clarks & Asics to name but a few. The poster also promotes a **Free Backpack or \$10 off with each pair of shoes purchased PLUS the \$10 we donate back to the school for each pair purchased.** We record this simply by each student telling us they are from your school. We then make a donation to you every six months.

Our staff have many years of experience in fitting shoes & this combined with our Footscan & Treadmill analysis means we can find the correct footwear & we back this up with our famous **30 Day Money Back Guarantee** – where any customer can simply bring the shoes back for a refund or to swap if they feel they aren't fitting correctly or are not comfortable. There is no fine print to this

guarantee and every pair of shoes we sell in our 18 stores throughout NZ is backed by this guarantee. We have 3 stores in the Wellington area – 58b Willis Street Wellington, 194 High Street Lower Hutt & North City Plaza Porirua.

I hope this helps explain what Shoe Clinic can offer to both your students & to your school & we look forward to seeing your students in-store soon.

Kind Regards,  
Hamish French.