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NEWSLETTER



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DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR

Icecream "Thursdae" (tomorrow)	24 March
Easter Break (Tuesday included)	25–29 March
Educational Review Office visit Powhiri (10.00 am)	30 March
Parentlink Meeting 7.30 pm	31 March
Whole School Trip to Red Rocks	14 April
End of Term 1 (3.00 pm)	15 April
Beginning of Term 2 (8.55 am)	2 May

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

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

Our virtue of enthusiasm was out in force during the weekend. Thank you to everyone who came along and helped in some way. It was heartening to see so many new faces and the many hands did indeed make lighter work for all involved. We moved 10 cubic metres of bark in next-to-no-time, and then it was on to the painting, gardening and the inside jobs. Have you noticed the spruced up pencils?

This year Mrs Reynolds has taken on responsibility for our library. She has a wonderful support crew working with her and we have a number of students being trained as librarians. The library is now open most lunchtimes, so that students can exchange books or have a quiet spot to enjoy. As at 17th March 2016 we had **76** overdue library books! Please search thoroughly at home for any library books and return them to the *red box* in the library. Invoices will be sent home next term for those books still missing.

If you are new to Owhiro Bay School and you haven't located the lost property, it's in the corridor next to the Reading Room near the entrance to the hall. If your child is missing clothing, socks, hats, drink bottles, lunch containers and the like, that's where you'll find them.

I've been talking to the students about what to do if they have a problem or issue that they need help with. We encourage listening to each other, problem solving, approaching a peer mediator, seeking out the duty teacher, Wendy, or their own classroom teacher. We use restorative justice practices and we build resilience in a supportive environment.

If the teachers have concerns about your child's learning and/or behaviour, rest assured we will be in touch with you directly. If you have concerns we expect that you would do the same. Education is a team effort. Should you be approached by another parent who raises concerns about your own or other children's behaviour at school the appropriate response is to direct them to a teacher in the first instance. Thank you. Each day is fresh start.

A reminder that schools are closed on Tuesday 29 March. Enjoy the break with your child/ren and see you back at school on Wednesday 30 March. Please see the community notices regarding Pride Lands offering a "one day fun holiday" programme for the 29th.

He i konā mai,

Tineke and the team

WELCOME



To Trip Taylor who joined children in Harakeke this week. Trip has a sister in Karo (Room 1)

A HUGE THANKS

WOW! Thank you to the following people who helped out at the working bee last weekend. What a mammoth turnout of parents/caregivers, friends of our community, staff and their families.

Thank you to: Lucas Haley, Keryn, Neesha & Heath Dixon, Stephen and Dunia Cullingford, Matthew Holloway, Josh, Tineke & Colin Giddy, Rob & Zoe McNicol, Iris and Steffi Schuster, Gael & Jed O'Connell, Laurel Barr, Klare Braye & Hayleigh Bond, Nat Randall and Louis Beckett, Vanessa

Brennan, Paul Abbott, Matt, Austin Kyne & Helen Orange, Aaron, Jake & Amie Castle/Roberts, Derek Robertson, Inka, Dean and Rico Jackson, Wendy & Paul Abbott, Lynda Allan and Rhea Yershov, Rachel Howe, Joss Debreceeny, Derek Robertson, Julia Nissen and Lauren & Peter Wash.

Some of the jobs undertaken included raking over and moving the 10 cubic metres of bark into the playground, painting and re-concreting the pencils in the garden, emptying light diffusers, removing staples out of walls, moving cupboards and re-mounting shelving, anchoring cupboards in the garage and moving records into storage there, sorting archives/photographs into date order, sorting emergency supply cupboards, spring cleaning the hall kitchen, painting bench seats, the care and re-planting of Midnight's garden....

Thank you also to Vikki & Phil Martin (and Phil's sister) and Julia Nissen for keeping the troops fed on Saturday and Sean Mead, Gael O'Connell and Karen Johnston on Sunday.

What a wonderful weekend's work everyone. If we have missed your name, we apologise but hope you will understand it was due to the busyness of the weekend!



BIRTHDAY WISHES

Happy Birthday to the following students:

Max Ware (today) 23/3
Anusha Noble 26/3
Samara Wilkinson 27/3
Portia McLean 28/3
Maddison Buddle 29/3
Guy Holloway 29/3
Lenn Jackson 30/3



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. We 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.

VIRTUES

The focus this week is "Enthusiasm" or "kai ngakau".

I am practicing enthusiasm when I...

- ☺ Let myself enjoy looking forward to something
- ☺ Think of imaginative ways to get things done
- ☺ Do things wholeheartedly
- ☺ Smile, laugh and enjoy what I do
- ☺ Enjoy the wonders of life
- ☺ Am full of positive spirit

Congratulations to Stella Holloway who won the virtues voucher draw for "Braveness"

A NOTE FROM TAWA (ROOM 6)

Room 6 Tawa generally goes to the library to issue new books on Fridays. Children need to return their book before issuing another book, so could children please bring their books back on Friday.

However, as Friday this week is a public holiday, we will endeavour to go to the library on Thursday. So, if you would like to issue a new book on Thursday then please bring your library book back this Thursday!

You can also sometimes return and issue books at lunchtimes.

PARENTLINK

Ice Cream "Thursdae"

Keep cool and help our school! Parentlink will be selling ice creams after school tomorrow - Thursday, 24 March - see you there!



2016/17 Entertainment Book

The new 2016-2017 Entertainment Book is here! Order **before 6 April 2016** and receive **over \$170 worth of additional offers**. There's loads of great offers and savings again this year - plus \$12 from every book sold goes towards fundraising for our school. Order online or contact parentlink@owhiro.school.nz to find out more. Order online now at: <http://www.entertainmentbook.co.nz/orderbooks/105h108>

Next Parentlink Meeting

The next Parentlink Meeting will be held at 7.30 pm on 31 March in the staffroom. All very welcome.

TE KUPU O TE WIKI

tuhi = draw

SPORTS SPOT

Floorball

The Orcas had a great comeback this week winning 4-1 over Island Bay. All of them were running their legs off and were soaking wet at the end of the game! They worked very well together as a team with lots of support and cheering their fellow players. Ella did a fabulous job with her first time in goal with lots of saves. Eli and Lenn each got two goals, and Eli was awarded player of the game for his intensity and focus which resulted in some fantastic plays. Most importantly they were all having a blast while working hard!

The Stingrays showed their skills with a 5-1 win this week vs the Seahawks. The crowds were most impressed with each team doing great passes and lots of shots on goal. Luca showed his focus in the game with 3 goals and working as a fantastic goalie in the second half for which he was awarded player of the week. Other goals were by Austin and Rico, but all of the players were great at passing and defending. We couldn't be more proud of the sportsmanship showed this week as well!

Touch OB1's

It was an amazing game to watch. Some great runs - taking the touches Hugh and Joel; encouraging to see some passes going on Egerton and Dylan; excellent chasing and

touches Lenn. Kobe, our player of the day - you were a demon out there - awesome play. The OB1s kept the pressure up against a stronger team than them and lost by a few - but not much.
(from Ollie)

Owhiro Bay Rocks

Not the best game we've played but shows some areas for improvement. Some good bits of play with great runs from Nico, Max and Thomas. Great defences by Austin, Freeman and Ollie. Let's step it up next week so we get a treat!!:) The score was 2-1 to them. Player of the day goes to Ollie (that's me) for "hard work on the field". Thanks coach.
(By Ollie)

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)

Pride Lands One Day Fun Holiday Programme – Schools Closed 29 March

Hello Parents of Pride Lands and good afternoon

On Tuesday 29th March, some schools (including the centres where we operate) will be closed as part of the Easter Break.

On this day (which is not a public holiday) Pride Lands Childcare will be operating a 1-Day Fun Holiday programme at Berhampore School Hall starting at 7am and closing at 7pm.

It is our privilege to serve when we are needed especially for parents who have to work on this day and we hope you and your cubs enjoy the benefits we bring you.

Programme Outline & Theme: *Kung Fu Panda 3 at Reading Cinemas + popcorn on us.*

Programme Location: Berhampore School Hall

Date: 29th March 2016

Time: 7am – 7pm

Shuttle Service:

- Pick-up from Cardinal McKeefry School between 7.30am – 8.00am and drop-off at the end of the day between 6.00-6.30pm
- Pick-up from Owhiro Bay School between 7.30 – 8.00am and drop-off at the end of the day between 6.00 – 6.30pm
- Pick-up from Ridgway School between 7.30 – 8.00am and drop-off at the end of the day between 6.00 – 6.30pm

Please advise in your e-mail to us if you also need a shuttle service at a cost of \$4 pick-up and \$4 drop-off.

Enrolment & Payment deadlines: 24th March 2016 at 3pm.

Fees:

\$78 per cub OR \$145 for two or more siblings.

As part of our service, we provide **Breakfast, Morning & Afternoon Tea as well as Lunch**. This way we can help take the burden off parents.

How to enrol: E-mail us at info@pridelands.org.nz to express your interest and needs. Fun Holiday Adventures Terms & Conditions apply: Visit our website: www.pridelands.org.nz

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Guitar Lessons

Professional guitar lessons available for beginner to intermediate level players on the acoustic and electric guitar - all ages welcome!

Studio located in Island Bay. For more information please contact **Lauren King** on 021 103 8222 or laurenk productions@gmail.com

Capital Trout Centre Open Day Sunday 3rd April 2016

Children must have a licence to fish for trout and free licences/tickets are available from 22 March 2016 at the following stores:-

**Steve's Fishing Shop, 49 Ghuznee Street (off Cuba Mall)
Fishscene 1C Taurimu St Hataitai Wellington
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)

ASB Holiday Football @ Wakefield Park, Island Bay, 18 – 22 April 2016

Island Bay United is running a holiday programme – Monday 18 to Friday 22 April, 9am – 3pm. This programme is loved by primary and intermediate boys and girls, aged 5 – 12.

The ASB Holiday Programme is NZ Football sanctioned through the Capital Football Federation. Get in quick to work with our Coaching and Developing Manager, Martin Garcia and enjoy 5 days filled with fun and football.

Registration is on the IBU Junior club website www.ibujuniors.org.nz. Five days is \$160, or \$35 per day. Email queries to events@ibujuniors.org.nz

