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NEWSLETTER



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DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR

Fair Committee Meeting tonight 7.30 pm at Debreceny's	
Enviro Day	11 November
Walk 'n' Wheels Day	16 November
Interzone Athletics	22 November
Owhiro Bay Country Fair	27 November
Board of Trustees Meeting	30 November
Pack the Bus 10.00 – 10.30 am	2 December
New Parents Evening	6 December
Whole School Big Day Out	9 December
Prize Giving/Poroporoaki	15 December
Last Day of 2016 (2.00 pm)	16 December
First Day of 2017	1 February

WEEKLY EVENTS

Monday	Marzipan Drama classes 8.00 am In the hall Creek Crew/Stream Team 9 – 11 am
Wednesday	Wheels Day Yoga/Pilates Classes 6.30 pm In hall
Thursday	Recorder Classes 8.30 – 8.50 am Code Club 3.30 - 4.30 pm Running Club 3.00 – 3.30 pm
Friday	Assembly 2.20 pm

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Kia ora, Hello, Talofa lava, Chao, Ni Hao, Dia dhaoibh, Namaste, Giddyay, Guten Tag, Assalamulaikum, Ciao, Salve, Ayubowan, Fakaalofa atu, Hola, Susaday, Bonjour, Bula vinaka, Mälō e lelei, Sawasdee πpevet

We're loving the sunshine and we are as busy as bees. Yesterday the OBS athletics team participated in the Southern Zone Athletics day. Congratulations to Lily Taylor, Dylan Johanson-Sua and Rico Jackson who now go on to represent the Southern Zone in the Inter Zone athletics. We also have students giving it a go in an up-coming inter-school chess tournament and another group who have been invited to represent Owhiro Bay School at a special ceremony at Government House.

The stream team had a successful day on Sunday even though the weather was patchy. I was particularly proud of Zora, Millie, Stella, Bessie, Guy, Marlana, Hugh and Max for their acts of citizenship over the weekend.



Did you know there is a weta in our weta hotel? We are looking forward to Enviro Day on Friday so we can all participate in maintaining our unique stream learning environment. We'd love to have extra helpers so our weed warriors can get as many "donuts" made as possible.

The Owhiro Bay Learning Community Country Fair is nearly upon us. There is a dedicated team working very hard in the background to ensure the success of this event. Weekly meetings are being held to ensure all the finer details are taken care of. Tonight's meeting is being held at Emma Debrecey's house 46a Derwent Street, Island Bay at 7.30 pm. WE NEED YOU! There are still spots on stalls to fill and today you will find the posters and flyers that need delivering ready to go out in the office foyer.

Our students are doing their bit by creating saleable items as they explore various aspects of technology. Here is the Technology essence statement from our OBS curriculum – "Students use practical and intellectual resources to design and develop products and systems that make a difference in the world". In 2016 we are focussing our efforts on making a difference to our combined Learning Community.

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Nāku noa nā,
Tineke and the team

PROVERB OF THE WEEK

"Te piko o te māhuri

Tērā te tupu

o te rākau"

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"The way in which the young sapling is nurtured (bent),
determines how the tree will grow"

ENVIRO DAY – 11 NOVEMBER

A reminder that Enviro Day is this Friday!

The school is going to be weeding around the plants we've planted and spreading mulch to control weed growth and trap in moisture.

Can you help supervise filling buckets with mulch or spreading it around plants?

Can you help with supervision?

Adult helpers are needed on the Friday morning from 9am to 12:40 pm.

Children and helpers will need to wear appropriate gardening clothes and footwear.

Please let us know if you can help.

Talk to Rowena, Wendy, Jude, Jess or email office@owhiro.school.nz.

BIRTHDAY WISHES

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

Freya Laugesen 9/11

Cohen Harrison 10/11

Enjoy your Day!

VIRTUES

Awards from last week

Congratulations to Anusha Noble and all the Year 5 children who won the virtue voucher draw last week. Anusha for the virtue of "Commitment" and our Year 5 students for "Excellence" in sportsmanship.

PACK THE BUS



We are again supporting, along with the Breeze and Wellington City Mission, the annual Pack the Bus. The Breeze with all their Christmas frivolity will arrive on the morning of 2 December, between 10.00 – 10.30 am and accept/collect around the Wellington area, gifts for families less fortunate than ours.

A Christmas tree will be placed in the foyer from 22 November for families to place their items. Please do not wrap your items, just a sticker with your child/ren's names on as they get to pack their item/s on the bus.

Some of the suggested items that would be appreciated this year are:

Christmas Items

Muesli bars, tinned fruit, jellies, tinned meat and fish, meals in a can, breakfast cereals, fancy biscuits and confectionery spreads: - jams, peanut butter, vegemite.

New Toys & Gifts (new toys only please – unwrapped)

Retail vouchers, event vouchers: - movies, zoo, pool.

Lego/Meccano, art equipment, educational books, beach/picnic/water toys, puzzles, outdoor sports gear, board games

Other

Toiletries for the whole family



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 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.

SPORT SPOT

Some of our Athletes

FLOORBALL

Our Sharks were having a bit of a swim this week as it was a bye week. This didn't stop them from all turning up for a good practice in their OBS shirts! We commandeered the corner of the floorball court for some shooting and drills and finished up with some sock sliding fun with coach Prakash being the biggest little kid there giving spinning slide rides around the floor to the kids. We'll be ready to go next week!

The Stingrays were a tired bunch this week after most of the team had competed in the Southern Zone in the sun all day. We think this showed in the score against Scot's College boys with their 6 to 1 win. Austin was our scorer for the game. Despite their tiredness, the team showed good using of the side of the rink, thinking about passing to others and great hustle against one particular sharp shooter from Scots - the best team we've played so far. It was fantastic practice to get ready for next week!

TOUCH

Owhiro Bay Sharks – Our Year 3-4 Touch Team.

We had a good first game today with a new player Atarau taking the field. We lost in a close one 5 - 6. Lenn and Dylan scored some good tries, but Joel took player of the day as he was the best at running straight up the middle and taking the touch for a quick reset.

Owhiro Bay Orcas – year 5-6

The Orcas played really well last week for their first game. Team work was obvious throughout our first

game which was impressive!! We welcomed back Kahn who gave 110% effort together with all the boys against Scots. The game was close at 4-2 but we will only get better and better. Great work Orcas!!

Practice is at school this Saturday 10am. It'll be a game of touch - kids vs parents.

PARENTLINK



Here is the latest news from the Fair Committee.

RAFFLE TICKETS

Raffle tickets were sent home yesterday. One pack of 10 raffle tickets was given to each child at the school to be sold as part of this year's Fair. The raffle is a very important part of the Fair as it makes up a large percentage of the profits, with all proceeds going directly towards the Owhiro Bay learning community. If you would like more raffle tickets to sell, please just ask. Please return the sold tickets and money back to the school or kindy no later than **Thursday 24th November, 2016.**

FLYERS and POSTERS

With less than three weeks to go, it's time to start spreading the word!!! The flyers are available in packs of about 50 – 100, with an easy to follow street map for you to deliver to, depending on the suburb. There are also posters available for people to put up around their local businesses, shops, at work etc. Please pick up from the school office. Thanks for your support.

CRAFT AND JAM MAKING NIGHT AT KINDY ON THURSDAY 10 NOVEMBER AT 7.30PM

If you can, head down to the Kindy to help make yummy jams and sweet Christmas crafts to sell at the Fair. Donna, our craft expert, will be there. It will be a great opportunity to learn some new things too! We will also need donations of berries and sugar for the jam, a list will go up in the foyer in the next couple of days with exactly what we need.

TRADEME SALES OPEN!

There are some items for sale on trademe being sold before the fair day, all for \$1 reserve!! Currently, we're selling a yard glass and some glass light pendants. Tonight we'll put on a child's Disney Pixar 'Cars' bed, a large wooden pink dolls house and another bread maker and baby backpack. Please make a bid or spread the word to others who may be interested in buying items. 100% of the proceeds go to the fair. Just type 'Owhiro Bay School' into the search field in trademe and the items will show.

GARAGE OPEN THIS WEEKEND FOR DROP-OFF

The garage continues to be open on a Tuesday and a Thursday, 15 mins before school starts and 15 minutes after school ends. It's also open this Saturday (12 Nov) from 3-4pm. We would be very grateful for donations of good quality, clean, clothing, books, toys, bric-a-brac, puzzles, complete games, good quality dvds and cds, household items, tools, bikes and garden items. Contact me, Bindi Robertson (bindi.robertson@outlook.com) if you'd like to drop off items outside of these hours.

HELICOPTER BOOKINGS NOW OPEN!

The helicopter bookings are now open. Wanting a unique experience flying over Owhiro Bay and the rest of Wellington? Looking to treat your family or friends to an early xmas present? You can make a booking for yourself or someone else using the fair website below:

http://www.owhiro.school.nz/country_fair_portal.html

FACEBOOK PAGE

Here is the website and facebook page which will have lots of information as well as posts about items the fair might need. Please check it regularly and click on the 'like' button to spread the word.

<http://tinyurl.com/owhirobayfair>

VOLUNTEER SIGN-UP

We still need volunteers to **SIGN UP** to help sell items on the day of the fair. There are two time slots to choose from, 10.30 - 12.30pm and 12.30 - 2.30pm. It's lots of fun selling the goods and chatting to people on the day. Simply sign up on the board in the school/kindy office, or click on the following link to see what's still open:

<http://signup.com/go/7NVpPp>

Note, you don't need to sign up using facebook - just enter your email address in the box provided (and re-enter it to confirm, as prompted)



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Friends of the Owhiro Stream

Kia Ora Koutou; our very last working bee for 2016 will be this coming Saturday, **Saturday 12 November 10.00 - 12.30 pm**; we will be weeding and mulching at our planting site just north of Owhiro Bay School - it would be great to leave this site in good shape for the summer, giving it the best chance possible of thriving.

Laurel's ask for Community Support for Art Exhibitions about Health Experiences

Hello to my Owhiro Bay whanau!

You probably all know I'm an artist in my non-mommy life and that means long nights doing work that doesn't require feeding, building lego or watching minecraft games. I am currently crowdfunding for 2 exhibitions through The Arts Foundation and I would really appreciate you taking a look at my site.

<http://www.boosted.org.nz/projects/the-panacea-placebo-project-and-patient-property-project>

I really believe in community support of each other and this is one way you can help with health outcomes for our community through my projects.

I am trying very hard to get it sent out to all my networks and getting those people to send it out to their networks as well as I'm not so good at this self promotion gig and some other OBS parents said they'd be disappointed if I didn't put in the school newsletter! Please pass along to anyone/everyone you think might be interested/want to donate - really would appreciate it!!!

naku noa na,

Laurel L. Barr