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DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR

COMING UP....

Swimming each Tuesday	
Teachers/Principal Strike Day (tomorrow)	16 November
One Learning Community Country Fair	18 November
Meet Your Teachers Evening	3 December
Enviro Day	5 December
Prize Giving	7 December
Year 6 Education Outside the Classroom Event	12 December
Last Day of School (3.00 pm)	14 December

WEEKLY EVENTS

Tuesday	Ukulele Group Exercise Classes with Sue
Wednesday	Wheels Day Creek Crew Touch
Thursday	Code Club
Friday	Assembly 2.20pm
Saturday	Community Soccer Touch Practice

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Start date	Monday 4 February
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FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

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

3 more sleeps to go! Thank you everyone for all your efforts towards this year's Country Fair. A special thank you to Amie Roberts and Kim McNicol for all the work behind the scenes co-ordinating this year's event, I know they are very appreciative of all the support they have received. It's going to be another fabulous occasion rain or shine.

Last week we celebrated significant student successes in academic achievement, on the athletics track, through the key competency of participating and contributing and the Inquiry stage of extending our learning beyond the classroom. It's exciting to see our broad based curriculum in action and the varied ways in which students are experiencing success.

The warmer weather, increased physical activity, and Tuesdays swimming lessons are all contributing to an increase in our children's appetites. Have a home learning *Chat* with your child and see if they need a couple of extra sandwiches in their lunch boxes to get them through the day.

At this time of year our Harakeke class looks very full. We currently have 35 students in this space with the equivalent of 2 full time teachers meaning there is a ratio of 1:18, just over the Ministry of Education recommended ratio of 1:15 for this area of the school. Our predicted starting roll for 2019 is approximately 120 students meaning we will have 6 fulltime teachers.

With Mrs Martin and Rowena both on leave next year our staffing is as follows;

Harakeke (new Entrants-Year 1)
Miss McKeivitt and a fixed term teacher for 2019 (to be appointed), along with Amie Roberts our release teacher

Whanake (Years 2 and 3)
Jo Sciascia and Miss Fretwell

Māhuri- (Years 4 to 6)
Niky Clegg and Matua Vaughan (until July 2019)

At this stage Mrs Martin is planning to be back with us for the beginning of Term 3 2019, and Rowena is anticipating a return for the 2020 school year.

On completing her year with us, Hireke will be returning home to Christchurch to be nearer family.

Today we arrived at school to discover that some time from 7.30pm last night there has been an attempt to gain entry into one of our buildings. This follows a similar incident at the Kindy recently and the earlier wheelie bin fire. I urge everyone to be extra vigilant and to report any suspicious activity to the police immediately. Please be aware our facilities are alarmed and monitored.

Ngā mihi,

Tineke and the team

ONE LEARNING COMMUNITY FAIR

Owhiro Bay Country Fair is this Sunday the 18th of November at 10.30am.

Everything is coming together well for what will be a super day. Thanks again to everyone for all the support and help that has been offered. The fair committee has been blown away by everyone's support and it is hugely appreciated.

Just a few last minute things

- ❖ Please return all your raffle tickets (sold and unsold) with the money to Wendy in the office ASAP please. Thank you.
- ❖ We still need one volunteer for the plants stall in the morning and someone who can help out with a curry food stall run by one of our school families.
- ❖ Please check out the volunteer sign-up sheet <http://signup.com/go/RPyXivS> to remind yourself of what shift/stall you are on so things run smoothly on the day.
- ❖ Some of the senior students are helping on the drinks and slime making stall. If your child has volunteered to do this. they will receive a slip today at school reminding them of the shift

they are on. Please check this slip and ensure your child is in the correct place at the correct time.

Looking forward to seeing everyone at the Fair on Sunday. Tell your friends and family to come along and join the fun.

Pre-Fair Clothing Sale – Friday 16 November from 6 – 9 pm in the Owhiro Bay School

Come and join the fun tomorrow night at our annual Pre-Fair Clothing Sale. Children and adults clothes and jewellery too.

Free glass of bubbles on entry.

A great chance to go clothes shopping for you and your family –leaving more time on fair day to enjoy the other stalls and entertainment.

Don't panic if you can't make it – the clothes stall will still be at the fair as well.

EFTPOS AVAILABLE!

A supervised movie will be running in a nearby classroom to help keep kids entertained while you shop!



Baking

Please deliver to the school staffroom on either Friday (school office open) from 2.00 pm to 4.00 pm, Saturday 17 November (fair set up day) from 10.00 – 2.00 m or Sunday 18 November (Fair Day!!) Extra plates and a small selection of cake boxes are available from the office if you need any. Thanks

Please make sure you write clearly the name of the item on the label, e.g., ginger crunch. **Please note on the label if your baking contains common allergens (e.g., nuts/eggs) or if it has been made with a special diet (e.g., gluten/dairy) in mind.**

Set Up Saturday

Please help us set up the fair on Saturday between 10.00 am and 2.00 pm. Many hands make light work! Thanks to the parents/caregivers who have already offered to help. Looking forward to seeing you there!

MEET YOUR TEACHERS

We welcome you to Harakeke to meet us and learn about the classroom programme.

A special opportunity for:

- ✓ Parents new to the school
- ✓ Parents looking to select an appropriate school for their child
- ✓ Anyone interested in our programme.

Where: The Harakeke Classroom, Rooms 4 and 5 at Owiro Bay School

When: 3 December 2018

Time: 6.00 -6.45 pm



BIRTHDAY WISHES

Best wishes to:

Marcus Locke who has a birthday this week
17/11

HAPPY
BIRTHDAY

TE KUPU O TE WIKI

pātai(tia): question, to ask a question

VALUE OF THE WEEK

This fortnight our focus is "Confidence" or "Māia"



Congratulations to Alexis Kerr and Leif Schaefer who won the Value Vouchers last week for "Respect" and "Respect, Success and Confidence" Well done!

SPORTS SPOT

Southern Zone Athletics

Awesome day for Owiro Bay. Our relay team won their race against the other schools. Big smiles from Arun, Charlie, Dylan and Lenn. .



OB1's Touch

It was a tough game against St Marks we lost 6 to 7. (Charlie) I scored 4 try and Enzo scored 2 try. We had a semi good defence and a good attacking team.

Hope you have a good weekend!
Charlie Lunn

OB Rocks

OB Rocks enjoyed a comfortable 8 - 4 win today against Houghton Valley.

It's the best performance I've ever seen from our guys. They're working as a team by - driving it quickly up to the opposition line, spotting holes in the defence, positioning themselves, and spinning it out wide to score. They're starting to remind me of those men in the black jerseys that play for New Zealand. Awesome! – Dean Jackson