

ROCKS

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DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR

Parentlink Get together 7.00 pm (tonight)	11 February
Meet the Teacher Evening	16 February
ETAP App Helpdesk	16 February
Board of Trustees Meeting 700 pm	18 February
School Pōwhiri 2.20 pm	23 February
Road Patrol Training (weather permitting)	24 February
Staff Only Day (Staff First Aid Training)	31 March
Staff Only Day (Kāhui Ako Professional Learning)	1 April
Good Friday	2 April
Easter Monday	5 April
Easter Tuesday (school closed)	6 April

EACH WEEK

Monday	Eternal Dragon School of Martial Arts (6.00 pm)
Tuesday	Sue's Adult Exercise Classes (6.30 pm) Floorball
Wednesday	Code Club (3.15 pm)
Thursday (from week 3)	ROCKS Run Club
Friday	Assembly (2.20 pm) Marrzipan Classes in Room 3 (3.00 pm)

Coming Up

Wednesday	Touch CodeCamp
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TERM START DATES/NEW ENTRANT COHORT DATES 2021

Term 1 : 3 February	mid-term date 15 March
Term 2: 3 May	mid-term date 8 June
Term 3: 28 July	mid-term date 30 August
Term 4 : 18 October	mid-term date 15 November

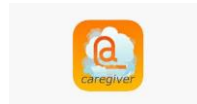
PHRASE OF THE WEEK

He aha tō tino kaupapa?
What's your favourite subject?

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Hello, Talofa lava, Chao, Dia dhaoibh, Namaste, Giddyay, Guten Tag, Assalamulaikum, Ciao, Salve, Ayubowan, Fakaalofa atu, Hola, Susaday, Bonjour, Ni Hao

Kia ora koutou,



Last year we introduced this school app. Currently through the app you are able to get the weekly newsletter, notify the office of any absences, check attendance and ensure we have your most up to date details. This year we are taking the next step which is to share with you, your child/ren's learning journey, so it's really important that you have the app loaded and ready to go. **For anyone who needs help loading the app, getting their individual password email, logging in, setting up notifications and accessing your child's information Mrs Martin will be running an etap app session during "Meet the**

Teacher" evening from 6.00pm until 6.45pm and then again briefly from 7.00pm until 7.15pm.

As noted in the Parentlink flyer there are many ways and different levels that parents can be actively involved and contribute towards our One Learning Community. The Parentlink Get Together is being held **TONIGHT** in the staffroom from 7.30pm. Everyone is most welcome. You can also check out the [Help Wanted](#) Section of this newsletter.

Through the generous gift of time from our parents, along with other organisations we are able to offer a range of after school activities and many of these will be starting up in the next few weeks.

- If your child/ren is interested in playing FLOORBALL on a Tuesday afternoon at the ASB Centre in Kilbirnie please contact Philippa on pip_kane@hotmail.com or 021 570834
- If you have a child in Years 5 and 6, keen to play TOUCH on a Wednesday at Wakefield Park in Island Bay please contact Kim McNicol or Chris Sadler. Kim can be contacted kim.mcnicol00@gmail.com

In addition, this year we aim to run CODECAMP on a Wednesday afternoon here at school from 3.15pm. Further details can be found below. Please register your interest with Jo (jo_campbell_2000@yahoo.co.nz) in the first instance.

EDSOMA- Martial Arts continues on a Monday evening from 6.00pm in the hall and Marrzipan Drama continues on a Friday afternoon from 3.00 - 4.00 pm in Room 3.

Congratulations to Jo and Andy, who are expecting their first child early next term. We are very excited for you both. The recruitment and appointment process to find a teacher to cover parental leave is in progress.

These two short weeks have been a busy introduction into what will be another fabulous term of learning. We are looking forward to the rhythm of the five-day week.

Ngā mihi nui,

Tineke and the team.

THANK YOU

To the parents/caregivers who accompanied Māhuri to the National Library and Parliament this week. We hope you enjoyed the day.

HELP PLEASE

We would love to hear from you if you could help with any of the following:

- Someone to remove the art work from the South facing wall of Rooms 6 and 7. We'll pop it into storage for the time being.
- Book coverers extraordinaire now that you've had a practice with your child's school books, how about giving our Library Books a go. All materials supplied, along with a quick "how to" session if needed.
- It's time to refresh and upgrade the School Website- if this is your particular field of expertise and you are available of an evening to work with me (Mrs G) to get this underway I'd love to hear from you. Alternatively, if you can point me in the direction of a reputable company that does fab websites, that would also be appreciated.
- We have a garden that needs removing for health and safety reasons (the sleepers have rotted out over time)- to be repositioned at a later date.



CODECAMP

<https://codecamp.co.nz/owhiro-bay-school/>

CodeCamp allows boys & girls to develop 21st century skills in a fun and action packed & [agile environment](#). We help develop confidence & initiative through design, creativity, solving problems & collaboration. Students get to create projects in a pretend tech company environment, where they create games, websites and build mobile apps.

Please contact Jo (jo_campbell_2000@yahoo.co.nz)



SUNSMART

A reminder that in Term 1, 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 harmful rays.

MEET THE TEACHER EVENING

Next Tuesday 16 February we will be hosting our "Meet the Teacher Evening". These Meet the Teacher sessions are an opportunity for parents to come along and meet your child's teacher and to learn about the hub/classroom programmes, routines and expectations for the year.

Ms Chamberlain 6.00 pm (Harakeke Room 5)

Mrs Meffan 6.15 pm (Room 4)

Jo, Niky and Kath 6.30 pm (Whanake Rooms 6 and 7)

Mrs Martin and Whaea Julie 6.45 pm (Māhuri Rooms 1 and 3)

Mrs Martin will be available before 6.45 pm and after 7.00 pm for an ETAP workshop.

We urge as many of you to attend as possible so that we can work in partnership to ensure SUCCESS for every child.

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I am in the right place, at the right time, doing the right thing

When Out and About

RA WHĀNAU KIA KOE

Best wishes to the following students who have birthdays coming up:

Nikau 15/2

Adayah 17/2

WHEELS DAY

Every day is wheel's day and children are welcome to bring bikes and scooters to school to ride in the tennis courts or top field at lunchtime. Helmets are compulsory.

SPORTS SPOT

Rocks Run Club

ROCKS Run Club recommences, next **Thursday 18 February 2021**. One of the world's top female ultra-runners, Fiona Hayvice (mother of Yr 5, Spike) leads the group, alongside Dave Shoemack (father of Y2, Rufus), and from time to time other enthusiastic parents.

Keen to expose our children to the joy of exploring our neighbourhood on their own two feet, Fiona coordinates fun, running centric games on the school field, and run-splores (using the adjacent grass oval, and the trails and reserves that are easily accessible from school). Thursday's from 3pm-4pm (meet and collect by the boat). All ages are welcome - just bring an active attitude. If your child is keen to join, please email their name, year and your mobile number, to fjwhayvice@live.com.

Weetbix TRYathon

This swim, bike and run event is coming up on Sunday 21st March at Kilbirnie park. It is for ages 7 and up, and we have some free entries to give away!! The TRYathlon will begin with the swim leg in the heated indoor pool at Wellington Regional Aquatic Centre where the pool is 50 m in length. Email kim.mcnicol00@gmail.com if your child is keen and check out the link below for more information:

<https://tryathlon.co.nz/locations/wellington>.

Get there early as parking is always difficult and once you've checked your bike in, look out for the Owhiro Bay School gazebo and come and join the supporters crew.

Touch Rugby

Calling all budding Touch Rugby players. If you love to run and have fun, then come and play Touch. The games are on Wednesday afternoons at Wakefield Park in Island Bay and it runs for approximately 6 weeks. The season starts on Wed 24th Feb with registrations closing next week, Wed 17th Feb. Cost is approx. \$25 per child. Touch is held in Terms 1 and 4. We are looking for players from Year 3 and upwards. The Yr 3/4 team will need an adult supervisor / coach. Please let Chris Sadler or Kim McNicol know ASAP if you want to get involved. Kim is on kim.mcnicol00@gmail.com.



Friends of the Owhiro Stream

Newsletter February 2021

Kia Ora Koutou

Welcome to the new Year! Yes, the working year has officially started, and our first working bee will be this coming Saturday -

Saturday 13 February 10.00 - 12.30

@ Sue's Place, just south of Jamieson's Towing

We look forward to seeing all our old friends, and maybe some new ones, and hope that this year will be less disrupted than the last.

Owhiro Bay Kindergarten – Entertainment Book

As a fundraiser, OB Kindergarten will be selling Entertainment Books this year. The school will have a “sign up” app at the office in support. From dining to shopping, to travel, get more of what you love and give back to the cause.

More details to follow.

Schedule 6 x weeks of F U N into your life with a Shut Up & Dance 6 x week \$90 course!

For \$15 per class, you'll not only learn *that* routine you've been wanting to know since the 80s, you'll also:



get sweaty without realising it



increase your coordination abilities



meet people who love pop music as much as you do



get abs from laughing so hard (ok, this one's anecdotal...)

Get obsessed with pop music, cheesy dance moves and our epic instructors by testing the waters with our next 6 x week course with Sally 😁

Thursday Nights, 7.45pm at Lyall Bay School Hall

\$90 for 6 x weeks from February 18th

Book [here](#) and if you do, feel free to email us at hello@shutupanddance.co saying that you found out via the school to receive an additional \$20 session to bring a friend for free :)