

# ROCKS

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### DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR

BIGAIR Gym Rooms 1/3 12.30 – 1.30pm	17 June
<b>Parentlink Meeting 7.00 pm (tonight)</b>	<b>17 June</b>
OBRA Planting Day (Saturday)	19 June
OBRA Mid-Winter Swim (Sunday)	20 June
Matariki Planting 1.30 – 2.30 pm - Rms 4/5	23 June
Board of Trustees Meeting 7.00 pm	23 June
Community Working Bee for the Stream (Sunday) 2.00 – 4.00 pm)	27 June
Matariki Planting 1.30 – 2.30 pm - Rms 6/7 (Whanake)	30 June
Coffee Group 2.30 pm in the staffroom	1 July
Matariki Disco at Island Bay School Hall	2 July
Matariki Planting 1.30 – 2.30 pm (Māhuri)	7 July
Last Day of Term 2 – 3.00 pm	9 July

### TERM 3

First Day of Term 3 – 08.55 am	26 July
Y6 SWIS Open Day	5 August
Inspire Kindergarten Photographs	24 August
Inspire School Photographs	25 August

### EACH WEEK

Tuesday	Advanced Ukulele Class (8.00 am) Adult Exercise Classes (6.30 pm)
Wednesday	Ukulele 8.00 am in Room 7 Stream Team from 1.00pm Code Camp (3.15 pm) in Room 7
Thursday	Choir with Kath (lunchtime) <b>no choir this week</b> ROCKS Run Club
Friday	ECO Stars with Ms Chamberlain (lunchtime)

### TERM START DATES/NEW ENTRANT COHORT DATES 2021

Term 3: 26 July	mid-term date 30 August
Term 4 : 18 October	mid-term date 15 November

### PHRASE OF THE WEEK

Titiro mai, whakarongo mai

Look and listen up

### FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

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

Kia ora kātoa,

Last week we celebrated our Support Staff team. Thank you, Wendy, Joanne, Helen, Jude, Alex and Maye, for all that you do to support our children and the teaching team. Your input is truly invaluable.

Today it's Māhuri's turn to visit BigAir for their gymnastics session. Next week we turn our attention to planting. The children will need to wear clothes suitable for gardening, gumboots and a warm jacket. Check out the calendar dates to find out when your child/ren will be planting and feel free to join in the fun.

Thank you to everyone who filled out the Before/ After School Care survey for the Board. We received 34 responses initially and then a further 24 following a post on Story Park and a text reminder. The winner of the family movie pass is the Hurst/Kuester family. Congratulations!

ParentLink meet tonight in the staffroom at 7.00 pm.  
Everyone is welcome. Planning for the Matariki Disco is well underway and the posters have gone up.

We had 13 Ōwhiro Bay students compete in the Interzone Cross Country on Tuesday. Well done Leah, Miles, Olivia, Nylah, Sienna, Leif, Spike, Jordan, Summer, Ruby, Wren and Felix. Thank you to all the parents who helped on the day getting the children to and from their races and providing all important encouragement. We are very proud of all of our participants.

Ngā mihi,

Tineke and the team.

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### HAVE YOUR SAY – POLICY REVIEW

Every term, the Board of Trustees (BoT) is required by the Ministry of Education to review specific school policies / procedures, and submit amendments (as needed). Part of the process involves considering feedback from any relevant stakeholders (i.e. staff and/or parents). This term, parents and staff are invited to review the **Reporting to Parents on Student Progress and Achievement** - and direct comments to [bot@owhiro.school.nz](mailto:bot@owhiro.school.nz) by Wednesday 23 June. All school policies, including those under "current review" can be accessed via <https://owhiro.schooldocs.co.nz/> Username: Owhiro / Password: Happy

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### WELCOME

To Maye our new teacher aide who will be working in Harakeke. Welcome to our school community.

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### THANK YOU

To the Giblin/Young family who donated five boxes of cardboard to the school. These will be put to great use – thank you!

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### HELP WANTED PLEASE

We need a volunteer to help put up our No Vaping/No Smoking signs and stickers. Please see Wendy in the Office if you can help with this. Thank you.

If you can help move one bike stand into the carpark it would be appreciated. Please contact Tineke. Thanks.

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### ROCKS – CREATIVITY

PB4L – we are in the right place, at the right time, doing the right thing

Congratulations to Josh T and Ashutosh who won the ROCKS vouchers this week for "Creativity".

Congratulations to Room 7 for having the most ROCKS in Week 6, Term 2. Let's do our best to show off our ROCKS this week with a focus on "Creativity"



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### PARENTLINK

#### Parentlink Meeting (tonight)

Please join us for our Parentlink Meeting tonight at 7.00 pm in the staffroom. Everyone is welcome.

#### Ōwhiro Bay School Matariki Disco!

After a hiatus last year due to the year that was, it's back and it's going to be a blast! This year due to the ongoing renovations we are having the disco off-site and the lovely people at Island Bay School are letting us use their hall. Song request sheets will be going up around the classes so you can let us know what tunes really get you grooving!

#### Friday the 2nd of July 6.30pm-8pm Island Bay School Hall



Come dressed as your favourite star.  
Prizes for best dressed and best dance moves.  
Entry of Koha or a Gold coin donation.

Special thanks to Island Bay New World for supporting us with this event!



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## COFFEE GROUP

Please join us in the staffroom on Thursday 1 July from 2.30 for our next coffee group. It's a great opportunity to have a chat and get to know others in the school community. Put your feet up with a hot drink before the bell rings, we would love to see you there.



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## RA WHĀNAU KIA KOE

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

Thibault 18/6

Unity 18/6

Taidgh 21/6



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## TRAPPING UPDATE

We are ridding the stream of pest animals! In order to protect native birds, insects and lizards, the Ōwhiro Bay School Trappers have been catching predators along Ōwhiro stream. There are three Ōwhiro Bay School families (Dave Shoemack and his sons Rufus and Arthur, Peter Sperlich and Palla, Todd Hayvice and Spike) and Kate Hanan from Ōwhiro Bay Kindergarten.

The trappers each check 12 traps once a month and rebait traps if they've caught something. It's a surprise each week and a bit of an ecological puzzle to figure out how to be most effective. So far, since June, we've caught 1 weasel, 1 stoat, 21 rats and 48 mice. The map below illustrates how many catches per trap. All of these predators can cause a tremendous amount of damage to wildlife populations. If you haven't seen the film Fight for the Wild, it's a 4-part documentary about how we can all contribute to reversing the loss of New Zealand's unique animals. A great video to watch with the kids! <https://www.rnz.co.nz/programmes/fight-for-the-wild>

A huge thank you to our amazing trapping families! We will be expanding our stream trapping line so will be looking for more trappers to join our crew. If interested, please contact Jina at [jinasagar8@gmail.com](mailto:jinasagar8@gmail.com)



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## SPORTS SPOT

### ROCKS Run Club

Run Club has been making the most of the recent wind-free days. Beach time is exceptionally good when sand isn't being whipped around. Last Thursday, the seniors ventured past Ōwhiro Bay beach. They chose the 'climbing rock' approximately 700m past the Te Kopahou Visitor Centre car park, as their turning point. Breaking a longer run up with fun activities / interest points, helps the kilometres whiz by - they inadvertently clocked up 5km!

Anyone with an active attitude is welcome at Run Club, Thursday's from 3pm-4pm (meet and collect at the boat). New members - please email your child's name, year and parent's mobile number(s) to Fiona Hayvice (mother of Y5, Spike) [fjwhayvice@live.com](mailto:fjwhayvice@live.com).





## Ōwhiro Bay Residents Association

### Saturday 19 June 9am

Community Planting - meet at The Green, opposite 112 Ōwhiro Bay Parade.

We've still got several hundred plants to get in the ground. BYO gloves and planting tools. Planting with neighbours is great exercise and a really good way to get to know people!

### Sunday 20 June 10am - Mid Winter Swim!

To celebrate the winter solstice, we're doing our second annual mid-winter swim. We'll meet at the beach in front of the car park just before 10am and do a count-down to get everyone into the water at 10am. Costumes encouraged! We've got hot soup and a sauna for afterwards - we hope to see you all there.

**PHYSICAL STORIES**  
WITH JO USING  
Yoga, Drama, Songs and Mindfulness!  
4-7 Years

Starts 2nd August 2021  
3.30pm - 4.15pm  
Mondays - Island Bay School  
Wednesdays - Brooklyn Scouts Hall

Term Pass = \$10 a session OR \$13 Casual class  
(Siblings pay extra \$8 only a session)

Fun Interactive Physical Stories like 'The Gruffalo', 'Frozen' and 'Giraffes Can't Dance'

First Session FREE  
Must Register

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