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# NEWSLETTER



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## DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR

Icecream Sale	3.00 pm	13 April
Last day of Term 1	3.00 pm	13 April
First day of Term 2		1 May

(be ready for an 8.55 am start!)

## COMING UP

Parentlink Meeting	9 May
Powhiri	12 May
Next Board of Trustees Meeting	18 May
Staff Training Day – Inquiry Learning	6 July
Parentlink Movie Night	25 August

## WEEKLY EVENTS

<b>Monday</b>	Marzipan Drama Classe
<b>Wednesday</b>	Wheels Day Stream Team 9 – 11.00 am
<b>Thursday</b>	Recorder Classes 8.30 a.m. (Beginners) 3.00 pm (Advanced) Code Club 3.30 – 4.30 pm
<b>Thursday</b>	Assembly led by Mrs Giddy at 2.30 pm in the hall

## FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

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

Thank you to all the parents/caregivers from Māhuri who made the effort to attend learning conferences last week.

Staff and students invested significant time and effort to ensure learning and/or social goals could be shared. When we work together on these we ensure a greater chance of success for our tamariki.

Various virus/illnesses are still doing the rounds. We appreciate that it's difficult to balance staying at home to rest and recuperate and avoid sharing the viral germs, with the need to attend school regularly. As parents/caregivers you get to make that call. Please remember to ring the office and let Wendy know if your child is going to be away.

Following on from the floods of last week, a big thank you to Rowena Johnstone and Joss Debreceny who were called to help with evacuated families last Thursday evening. Owhiro Bay School was happy to be used as a Welfare Centre for Civil Defence to support our community.

Congratulations to Jayne Taylor who has won a permanent teaching position with leadership responsibilities at Evans Bay Intermediate School. This is wonderful promotion. Jayne's fixed term contract with us ends tomorrow. Thank you Jayne for being part of the Owhiro Bay School team this term and for teaching our tamariki in Whanake. We wish you all the best in your new role.

I will be in a position to make an announcement on a replacement for Jayne at the beginning of term 2 when all appointment processes have been completed.

Next term we look forward to welcoming whānau new to our school with a pōwhiri, continuing with our Sustainability through Science kaupapa and arranging a school wide celebration of learning. We'll be gearing up for our Fun Run and the Cross Country. We will also launch our updated values,

Respect  
Originality  
Confidence  
Kindness  
Success

I've spent some time in various learning spaces over the past two weeks working with our students and gathering their ideas/voice by asking this question "What is important at Owhiro Bay School?" Feel free to have that same conversation at home. The responses are insightful.

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Tineke and the team.

### PARENTLINK – ICECREAM THURSDAY

Tomorrow Parentlink are selling ice-creams at the end of school to celebrate the Easter holidays. Ice-creams will cost a \$1 and there will be a selection of flavours and toppings available.

What a fun way to finish the term!



### VIRTUES

We continue our focus on "Helpfulness" or "Awhina"

I am practising helpfulness when I....

- 🌀 Notice when someone needs help
- 🌀 Do a service without being asked
- 🌀 Give people what they need, not always what they want
- 🌀 Listen to someone who needs to talk
- 🌀 Ask for help when I need it.

**Congratulations to:** Marian Carty-Davies and Lucan Schatilo for winning the virtue voucher draw last week – both for "Helpfulness"

**Awards from last week**

### NITS

A reminder to please check your child/ren's heads for nits regularly. There are reported cases around the community again. With the holidays coming up.....now is the ideal time to check & treat your children's hair. There is a robi comb available for loan from the school office.

### BIRTHDAY WISHES

To the following students who have a birthday coming up...

Ebony Adams-Sweet 16/4

Jade Sadler 17/4

Fern Sadler 17/4

Jesse Sadler 17/4

All the best for a happy birthday



### SPORTS SPOT

#### Floorball

Our floorball team had a fun season and finished today with a tough 0-4 loss against some really tall and strong players. The whole team showed good sportsmanship throughout the season and we loved seeing the enthusiasm they brought to each game. Thank you to Makaela, Erika, Kahu, Atarua, Ethan, Rico and Lenn. You truly rock!!!

#### Touch

Check out the images on the total touch Facebook page (scroll through the images)- from March 29<sup>th</sup>- there is a photo of part of the winning team, and some game time (including the non biased OBS ref ☺)

<https://www.facebook.com/totaltouchwgtn/posts/596130210465069>

**A proud moment!**

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### **A REMINDER**

That school finishes at 3.00 pm tomorrow and resumes again at 8.55 am on Monday 1 May. Please have a happy and safe holiday break!



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### **Music School Holiday Programme**

Perfect for aspiring singers and musicians.  
Please visit: [www.therockacademy.co.nz](http://www.therockacademy.co.nz)  
for more info or phone Geoff: 021 565 750

### **TERM 2 AFTER SCHOOL CREATIVE CLASSES**

#### **DIY : Choreography (Make Your Own Dances)**

This is a class for kids about the basics of making dances and discovering their own style of movement.

**DIY: Comedy Sketches** A combination of physical comedy (a la Charlie Chaplin/ Mr Bean) and theatre, this class allows kids to play and learn how to mould this into something fun and watchable.

Classes held in two age brackets 5-7, 8-12yrs. Enquiries taken about over 12 yrs groups. Current classes in Newtown, Aro Valley and Hataitai and enquiries taken about classes in other locations.

**Contact Jen McArthur through the website** <http://jenmcarthur.com/>

### **Kids Cross Country Series starts mid May**

The Brendan Foot Supersite Kids Cross Country Series is back this winter. Each event has 500+ kids, aged 3 to 13. There are five events through the Wellington region from May to August with the first one on Sunday 14 May. Your choice if do you one, two, or all five. Come along, join the fun. Complete them all and receive a commemorative medal and Drink Bottle. Only \$8 to enter. More info or to enter go to [athleticshub.co.nz](http://athleticshub.co.nz)