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NEWSLETTER



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DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR

Harakeke visit SPCA	14 June
Pink Ribbon Breakfast 8.30 (Kindergarten)	16 June
Parentlink Disco	23 June
Parentlink Coffee Club 2.15 in the staffroom	30 June
Enviro Day	30 June
Staff Training Day – Inquiry Learning	6 July
Last day of term 3.00 pm	7 July
First day of Term 3, 8.55 am	24 July

COMING UP

First Fair Committee Meeting 7.30 pm	1 August
Parentlink Movie Night	25 August
One Learning Community Fair	19 November
Swimming (whole school)	Term 4

WEEKLY EVENTS

Monday	Marzipan Drama Classes
Wednesday	Wheels Day Assembly 2.20 Soccer Practice
Thursday	Recorder Classes 8.30 a.m. (Beginners) Code Club 3.30 – 4.30 pm

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

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

To get ready for this term's Enviro Day and our annual planting we need to prepare the spots and dig the holes for the plants to go into. The plants are not large, so we'll be digging lots of small holes. To give us a head start we are having a pre-planting session on Sunday 25th June from 10.00am until 12.30pm. For those who can't join us on Friday June 30th for our Enviro Day, this is an ideal opportunity to still be involved. Enviro Day is a combined learning community effort and supported by the Wellington City Council. The more we plant the healthier our stream environment becomes.

As you know we have had a number of children come down with chicken pox. Thank you to our families for being vigilant and checking with the GP before sending your child/children back to school. There are also some nasty coughs, colds and flu going around. It's hard to be at our best for learning when we are under the weather.

Speaking of things that spread we also have nits/headlice throughout the school at the moment. Please check your child/ren's hair regularly, and treat as required. Plain conditioner and lots of combing/brushing will sometimes do the trick, along with various treatments available from the chemist. We have nit combs and a robi comb available from the school office. To prevent the spread of nits, long hair needs to be tied up/back. Plaits are also useful.

Matariki disco fever is spreading and the students are very excited! Playlist requests are coming in thick and fast. It's going to be a great night!

Thank you to everyone who came to our first celebration of learning. We were very pleased with the turn out.

Confident, connected, actively involved life-long learners.

Tineke and the team

WELCOME

To Leif Schaefer who has joined children in Harakeke. Welcome also to Leif's family to our school community.

CONGRATULATIONS

To Rebecca Abbott who won the virtue voucher draw last week for "Respect"

VALUE OF THE WEEK

Our focus this week is "Originality"

DONATION

Help! Did you make a school donation on 17 May? We have an un-referenced donation of \$200.00. The name of the donor is not familiar to us and hence would not have received a receipt as yet.

Please contact Wendy if you think it may have been a donation from your household. Thank you.

PARENTLINK

Matariki Disco - Friday 23rd June

Come along to the Matariki school disco at 6.00-7.30pm in the school hall. Entry is \$5 and includes an ice-block.

Please note - there is no food being sold at the disco so please ensure that your child/ren have had dinner before they come so that they have energy to dance the night away. If and child/ren are attending after school care until 6pm please ensure that they have adequate food.

There will be a Matariki themed dress-up competition for the best dressed "Stars." We also have a "chill-out" room in the Staffroom for adults with drinks and nibbles when you are ready to rest those dancing feet or escape the chaos.



The Owiro Bay Country Fair is a fun community event that takes place every year, raising vital funds for the school and the kindergarten. The date this year will be **Sunday November 19th**. Whilst that seems like a long way away, we thought we'd get the ball rolling as there is lots to organise. With everyone's help, we can make it another successful event. Here are just a few ways you can help during this early planning stage:

Main committee roles still available

Currently we're looking for people to help manage the following parts of the fair:

- **school stalls** (books, toys, bric-a-brac etc)
- **food stalls** (BBQ's, Deli, drinks etc)
- **external vendors** (horses, rides etc)
- **garage for donations** (organise garage drop off days before and after school)
- **fair signage**
- **entertainment** (Owiro Bay's got Talent)

We're always looking for new ideas, suggestions for improvement and new faces to help. If you think you might be keen to get more involved in any of these (or have any fair ideas you want to share), send an email to Bindi Robertson (bindi.robertson@outlook.com) for more information. There are plenty of people from previous years around to help who are happy to provide lots of support to anyone new. As the fair draws nearer we'll be advertising for individual stall managers, volunteers to help on the day and other ways you can help.

Silent Auction/Raffle

We've already started sourcing donations for the silent auction/raffle. If you are able to provide any donations or know of anyone (or businesses) that might, it would be greatly appreciated. In the past we've had dinner/café vouchers, gift packs, alcohol, sports equipment, holiday vouchers, books, art and craft donations and lots more. Contact Deb (debzsanders@hotmail.com) if you have any donation ideas or suggestions.

Parent led food stalls

Previous years have seen some delicious and successfully run parent-led food stalls. These stalls make more money for us than the commercial vendors because we get to keep all the profits. Have a think, and if you'd like to give it a go or if you have any good ideas, email Bindi (as per above). We're open to anything, maybe a vegetarian meal or a dessert stall? The deadline for signing up a new stall is a month before the fair (21 Oct).

Trademe sales

Large or expensive items donated for the fair get sold on trademe. If you have anything you want picked up and sold for the fair, contact Derek (derek.robertson@outlook.com). There are some items already for sale on trademe. Currently, we're selling kids ski gear (clothes, skis and boots), a washing machine and a dishwasher (both with an electrical issue).

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 Learning' into the search field in trademe and the items will show.**

Next meetings

If you'd rather chat than email, come along to the staffroom during the Matariki school disco (**23 June, 6pm**), the next parent coffee group (**Fri 30 June, 2.15pm**) or the first fair meeting in the school staffroom (**Wed Aug 1, 7.30pm**).

SPORTS SPOT

Dates coming up:

Southern Zone Swimming	25 August
Southern Zone Athletics	7 November

BIRTHDAY WISHES

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

Hana Dahya 15/6

Jacob Taafuli 17/6

Rome Beri-Stephens 20/6

Have a great day!



Pink Ribbon Breakfast – Owhiro Bay Kindergarten

Kia ora Whanau,

We will be hosting a Pink Ribbon morning tea here at Kindergarten this Friday 16th June from 8:30am.

We would love for you all to join us for delicious shared treats.

We will have a donation box on the day and below is a link to our online fundraising page.

<https://pinkribbonbreakfast.co.nz/page/owhirobaykindergartenshostpage>

[NZBCF - Pink Ribbon Breakfast | Owhiro Bay Kindergarten's host page](#)

pinkribbonbreakfast.co.nz

Thank you for visiting our fundraising page. Owhiro Bay Kindergarten are taking part in Pink Ribbon Breakfast this year to raise money for The New Zealand Breast Cancer Foundation. Eight women a day are diagnosed with breast cancer in New Zealand. This year the money raised from our morning tea will be used to fund vital research projects and medical grants to help improve the survivorship of breast cancer in New Zealand. Please consider making a donation today. We cannot do this alone but with your help we can all make a difference.

Circus School Holiday Fun!

Two weeks of circus-themed activities for all school age children 5-15yrs

Skills learnt will include balancing, juggling, hula hoop and aerials (tissue and trapeze)

Single and multi-day bookings available. No experience needed!

9am-3pm 10th–13th and 17th–20th July at Wellington's Circus Hub

Bookings can be made via www.circus.org.nz, email info@circus.org.nz or phone **04 380 0051**

The Circus Hub, 11 Hutchison Road, Newtown.

Information Session – Myrtle Rust

Wellington City Council is holding an information session on myrtle rust – led by Karin Van der Walt and Rewi Elliot of the Wellington Botanic Gardens. The session will be held at Otari-Wiltons Bush on Tuesday 20th June at 6pm. To register your interest or for further information please email Emma Giesen – emma.giesen@wcc.govt.nz.

This is of particular interest to everyone who is growing Myrtaceae species in their nurseries or back yards and planting or working in our community sites and reserves around Wellington. There is no cost for you but please indicate if you are interested in coming along to the session.

School Holiday Computer Classes

For ages 5 – 15 in *Minecraft*, *Learn to Code in Scratch or Python*, *Create 3D Games*, *Web Design*, *Animation*, *Video Editing* or *Build a PC* and if young the *Discovery Computer Class*. For further information call 499-2211 or visit www.grandtraining.co.nz.

Teacher required for school holiday computer class.

We require a teacher for our *Minecraft*, *web design*, *Java*, *Python* and *Scratch* coding classes in the school holidays.

Newtown Movie School

In the July 2017 Holidays, Newtown Movie School are again offering popular movie making and animation holiday programmes.

Monday 10 to Wednesday 12 July

Stop Motion Animation - Popular 3 days of movie making creativity with Lego and colour paper.

(based in Newtown)

Thursday 13 July

iPad Movie Director- Turn your iPad into a serious movie making studio. Up your game from home movies - learn proper skills for recording great pictures and sound, then edit into a captivating movie. (based in Newtown)

For more information go to www.newtownmovieschool.co.nz

or contact Craig Lauridsen 021 966 277
or nms@acumen.net.nz

Beyond the Page Children and Youth literary festival from 8-23 July

Ages 5-18 are invited to go beyond the page, immerse themselves the world of story, and express their creativity during the July school holidays.

Wellington City Libraries, Hutt City Libraries and Upper Hutt City Library are hosting a packed programme of free performances, workshops and events to surprise, entertain and inspire.

For more information check out the website: www.beyondthepage.nz