



## OWHIRO BAY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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### Important Dates to Remember

◆ Parentlink Meeting	28 June
◆ Student Council/Red Socks Day	8 July
◆ Harry Potter Film Evening	14 July
◆ End of Term 2	15 July
◆ Beginning of Term 3	1 August
◆ Community Meeting	11 August

### FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Kia ora, Nameste, Shalom, Talofa, Konchiwa, Guten Tag, ni Hao, Kia orana, Hello, Hi

A special thanks to all the students and staff for a very efficient move up the hill during the significant earthquake and likelihood of a tsunami for our annual evacuation practice last Thursday. All students were starting to make their way up the zig-zag towards Domanski Crescent 12 minutes after the simulated earthquake time.

Thank you also to all the parents, caregivers and 'authorized adults' who collected their children from the Tsunami Safety Zone as part of this evacuation. Please note a feedback sheet attached to the newsletter for you to share your thoughts about Thursday's practice and your ideas that may improve the emergency procedure for the future.

Please note that Harry Potter premier tickets are currently available for purchase, and that although it is a later evening for students, there is just one more day until they break for the school holidays. We encourage you to invite friends and family to get in quick to be one of the first to see this final Harry Potter movie, and to support our wonderful fundraising group.


Now that the shortest day is past we are looking forward to the longer daylight hours and some more settled weather. Please note that the usual winter ills and chills are around schools and early childcare centres at the moment. We encourage you to keep your child home to recover from these so that we don't have a cycle of reoccurring illness.

Have a great week

Ka kite  
Karen



## Thanks

To Nick and Sylvie who transported, supported and encouraged Fergus, Bo, Ben and Brock at Interzone Cross Country yesterday. Thanks also to the boys who competed and represented the school so well at this event in some very muddy and trying conditions. Kia ora koutou. 

To Sid Johnson who has already bagged up some bark mulch for a Parentlink fundraiser. Kia ora korua

## WINTER ILLNESS

As usual for this time of year, and in most schools and pre-schools in the area, seasonal illnesses are around again. Please keep your child at home if they are not feeling well, and reinforce the importance of washing hands regularly and keeping hands over mouths when coughing.

## SECURITY CALL OUT PERSONNEL

Thank you to Kirsten McDougall and David Long for offering to be on our list of security call out people. We really appreciate you being able to assist and would love to hear from any other parents/caregivers who live locally and would be prepared to be added to this list also. Please see Wendy.

## Principal/Parent Cuppa & Chat

Please remember Karen is available on Monday mornings at 9.00 am for a cuppa and a chat.

If there is anything you would like to discuss/ chat about or wish to have clarified, please join her then or feel free to speak to Wendy and make an appointment to come and see Karen at another time if the Monday does not suit.



## STUDENT COUNCIL—RED SOCKS DAY

The Student Councils “Red Socks Day” on Friday 8th July. National Red Socks Day is a day during Leadership Week where we can celebrate great leaders and the difference a great leader can make. By celebrating Leadership Week, we are celebrating great leaders and Sir Peter Blake. Money will go into helping the Sir Peter Blake Trust run programmes such as Care for our Coast and Antarctica Leadership Programmes in Schools.

Red socks will be sold at school for \$3.00 on 8 July.



## VIRTUES

The focus for this week is “Humility” or “ngakau papku” which is not acting as if you are more important than other people. You are happy to serve others and think their needs are important. Don't expect others/yourself to be perfect. Don't criticize others/self. Admit to mistakes and learn from them..

If you are interested in finding out more about The Virtues Programme developed by Linda Kavelin Popov try looking up [www.virtuesproject.com](http://www.virtuesproject.com)



## Annual Emergency Evacuation Feedback Form 2011

As always, we appreciate your feedback about how the evacuation went for your family. We appreciated both the students and your patience and understanding whilst taking part in this annual exercise to check that we are prepared should be need to evacuate the whole school to higher ground.

These things appeared to go well:

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These things may help improve the emergency procedure in future:

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Please return this slip to the school office by Friday 1 July.

Thank you for your comments.

**A note from Whaea Lisa**  
Kupu Hou (new word for the week)

**Whakanui = celebrate**

Pronunciation : far-car-noo-ee

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING**

The next meeting of the Board of Trustees is the Community Meeting on 11 August and then 23 August at 7.00 pm.

Please note that minutes of meetings are available to read in a folder in the foyer in the office.

**STAR WRITERS**

This week our star writers are:

Hamish Dayal—Room 7 (age 6)

For the effort put into writing a long recount about his father's birthday—also for being proud of the hard work he put into this piece of writing and using punctuation in the draft.

Alex Conti-Leslie—Room 3 (age 9)

For doing some wonderful practice at draft writing when writing limericks with his family as part of his home learning.

Alexandra Cochrane—Room 1 (age 8)

For making good language choices to express her ideas in fewer words to produce effective poems.

Serena Dahya—Room 5 (age 5)

For writing an extra long story where she used fullstops correctly at the end of each sentence and capitals at the start of each sentence.

**My Dad's Birthday Party  
By Hamish Dayal**

On Sunday it was my dad's birthday party. We had a BBQ. We had some delicious garlic bread I said. We had some butter chicken and some potato rolls.

My dad invited some of my cousins. My dad had a wonderful party it was fun!

All of that gave me a headache.

**Limerick No. 2  
By Alex Conti-Leslie**

A hard-hearted boy named Neil  
Claimed he didn't know how to feel  
But when I put some ants down the  
back of his pants  
He suddenly learnt how to squeal.

**Time Passing By  
By Alexandra Cochrane**

I grow.  
You grow.  
We all grow.  
Like a tree that stretches high.  
Like a seagull passing by.  
I will remember you.  
Time passes by.

**By Serena Dahya**

Nikita played in the rain. She played hockey. My dad was Nikita's coach. There was two girls and there was three boys. I played hockey too.

I liked it. My team didn't win but my team got chocolate. I had lollies then at home, I like lollies. I like the red ones. I don't like the others.

## PARENTLINK PAGE

### SUSHI LUNCHES—EVERY THURSDAY

Don't forget to have your order in by **9.00 each Wednesday** or make it easy on yourself and pre-pay for the whole term. Just email us at [wrapitupsushi@gmail.com](mailto:wrapitupsushi@gmail.com) **Having trouble remembering to order? If you would like a reminder email every Tuesday drop Rachel & Jane a line at [wrapitupsushi@gmail.com](mailto:wrapitupsushi@gmail.com) and you'll never forget your sushi order again!**

**Orders must be in an envelope (with the correct money), the child's name, room number and order on the outside. Envelopes can be dropped off in the plastic container in the foyer opposite the school office no later than 9.00 am on Wednesday.**

### PARENTLINK SAUSAGE SIZZLE

A reminder that on the first Friday of every month Parentlink runs a sausage sizzle at lunch time.

The next Sausage Sizzle is **Friday 1 July** — children can have a sausage wrapped in bread with yummy tomato sauce for just \$2.00. Students need to bring their order to school in an envelope with their name, classroom and number of sausages required which needs to be written on the outside of the envelope and the correct change inside. Profits go towards a new computer cow.



If you can spare an hour or so to help at a sausage sizzle—any first Friday of every month—please contact Rachel 3839.557 or email [rachelandchris@xtra.co.nz](mailto:rachelandchris@xtra.co.nz).

### 2011/12 ENTERTAINMENT BOOK

The 2011/2012 Entertainment Book is available to purchase through Jennifer Dunn text 027 444-9679, phone 934.2179 or email: [kevjudunn@paradise.net.nz](mailto:kevjudunn@paradise.net.nz)

The Entertainment Book offers great discounted rates at Wellington cafes, restaurants, family attractions, services, cinemas plus accommodation in NZ and Australia.

A sample of the book for you to look over can be found in the school office foyer and orders can be placed at the office to be picked up by Parentlink.

The books cost \$60.00 and can be used until June 2012. \$12 from each book sold goes to Owhiro Bay School. You only have to use the book a few times to recover the cost of purchase.

### We have secured the premier of **HARRY POTTER-THE DEATHLY HALLOWS -part two (last of the series)**

Thursday 14th July 8.30 pm at the Empire

Tickets \$20 are on sale on Friday mornings from the school foyer.

Alternatively contact klare on [klare.brave@matuaraki.org.nz](mailto:klare.brave@matuaraki.org.nz). Or Yvonne on [owhirobayparentlink@gmail.com](mailto:owhirobayparentlink@gmail.com)

You can also use internet banking. Bank details are as follows:

Owhiro Bay School Parentlink  
National Bank  
A/c No. 06 0577 0112365  
Reference: Harry Pottler (also print your name)



After you have made the deposit a quick message to Kelly Smith on [k3lly.k3vin@paradise.net.nz](mailto:k3lly.k3vin@paradise.net.nz) would be appreciated so she can cross reference.

Thank you.

### MULCH FOR SALE

We are selling bark mulch and need people-power to bag it up. Bags are available from school office or 119 Happy Valley Road—so you can do it in your own time.....OR....we will be bagging and selling the weekend of the 25th/26th June (this weekend). Your help would be greatly appreciated.

For more details contact Sue on 938.2484.

**\$5 per bag—  
spread the  
word!**

### PARENTLINK MEETING

The next meeting of Parentlink is 7.30 pm on Tuesday 28 June at Sharon & Roger's house, 12 Southern Cross Crescent, Island Bay. See you there! Everyone welcome.

## COMMUNITY NOTICES

Every effort is made to present accurate information.  
The Board of Trustees does not accept responsibility for any inaccuracies.  
The Board is unable to accept responsibility for guaranteeing the goods or services advertised.

### **Kelly Sports July Holiday Fun!**

Kelly Sports is running workshops in both weeks of the July holidays. We run fun, active and challenging programmes for ages 5-12. These holidays we've got Football, Netball and Mixed Sports workshops aimed at developing sporting skills and improving game play, spatial awareness and teamwork. For a fulltime option, Kelly Club, our new action packed activity programme, will be running 8am-5pm both weeks. Check out [www.ksports.co.nz](http://www.ksports.co.nz) for more details or call the office on 049727201. Enrolments for the July Holidays are now open, spaces are limited – don't miss out!

### **Wellington Gluten Free Food & Allergy Show—Saturday and Sunday 9-10 July 2011, TSB Arena**

**10.00—5.00 pm Only \$'0 entry**

The show is NZ's only exhibition dedicated to delivering ideas and solutions for a wide range of allergy and intolerance issues.

Free samples, new products, discount offers, expert seminar. Please see the school noticeboard for more information.

### **SKYLIGHT—FAMILY CHANGE GROUP**

This counsellor-facilitated programme is for children aged 6-11 and their parents/caregivers who have had a separation or divorce. The group runs once a week over a six week period. For more information, please see school noticeboard.

### **GIRLS WELCOME**

Island Bay Girls' Brigade celebrates 70 years in Island Bay and welcomes new girls to join now. Trained leaders take

girls in an exciting variety of fun learning/activity based programmes with crafts, games, cooking, music, camps, sleepovers and outings.

Contact: Brenda Watkin Ph 934-9293 or 021 137 8062 or email

[watkin@paradise.net.nz](mailto:watkin@paradise.net.nz) or Jane Bertschinger Ph 934-4954. Girls' Brigade

website: [www.girlsbrigade.org.nz](http://www.girlsbrigade.org.nz)

### **WELLINGTON DIVING CLUB**

Would you like to learn to dive ? Spring diving improves confidence, co-ordination, agility and its great fun ! We are running an introduction session on Thursday 7th July 5.30-6.30pm, at Wellington Regional Aquatic Centre, Kilbirnie. Cost \$10.00 + pool entry. Numbers are limited, please contact me for expressions of interest by email [wellingtondiving@gmail.com](mailto:wellingtondiving@gmail.com) or 973.2874

### **CAFÉ@ CHURCH**

**Funding Projects in Developing Countries**

**St. Hilda's Anglican Church, 311 The Parade Island Bay**

**SUNDAYS 2—4.00 PM**