



OHAKUNE PRIMARY SCHOOL

Newsletter



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Upcoming events

August 23 2023. #11
Kia ora koutou/Greetings

Thursday 24 August: Rooms 10 & 14 Snowsports
Friday 25 August: Daffodil Day. Gold Coin donation
Friday 25 August: Room 11 Snowsports
Monday 28 August: School Closed. Staff Professional Development Day (Health)
Wednesday 30 August: OPS Speech night
Monday 4 September: Duffy Theatre
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Tuesday 5 September: Years 4-6 Rugby. Whanganui.
Thursday 7 September: OPS Cross Country
Friday 8 September: Cross Country postponement day
Thursday 14 September: Rooms 10, 11 Sledding
Friday 15 September: Celebration Assembly
Tuesday 19 September: OPS Got Talent
Wednesday 20 September: Interschool Speeches
Wednesday 20 September: Vision and Hearing
Friday 22 September: End of Term Three
Monday 9 October: Term Four begins.

Morning Tea with the Principal Weeks 5 & 6

Principal's Message

Here we are halfway through the term! The time is flying with our school days full of fantastic learning opportunities in the classroom, in our community, on our stunning maunga and in our playground.

Thank you to all of our learners who are engaged in their learning, displaying our PRIDE values, and attending school- we value you and are proud of you.

Teacher Only Day

A reminder that next week our staff are undertaking Professional Development on Monday **28 August**. This opportunity will help us to better support our diverse learners and enable programmes of learning to wrap around every learner.

The school will be closed for instruction on this day as all teachers and support staff will be involved in this mahi.

OPS Got Talent- Performance Date Change!

Please make sure you have altered your calendar to reflect the change of date for our upcoming and very exciting OPS Got Talent night.

New date: Tuesday 19 September

Congratulations to...

Aracelli and Mackenzie Marsh who competed for Ohakune Primary School at the Whanganui Primary and Intermediate Schools Mountain biking event.

Aracelli placed 1st in the Year 6 Girls event

And... Mackenzie placed 3rd in the Year 8 Boys event!

Outstanding results! Thanks to your awesome family for supporting you to get there and perform so very well!



Vaping

As we are all aware, Vaping is an ongoing and detrimental activity that, sadly, many young people in our country are being drawn to and sadly our community has also been faced with some of the challenges around this. Any young person who brings a vape to school and/or vapes at school will be facing stand downs which are officially recorded with the Ministry of Education.

Vaping is unhealthy, expensive, addictive and illegal for learners at OPS.

Please discuss this with your children at home. We have had education on this through Life Education and within our classes and ask that you support the message that this is not a positive activity for any of our young people.

Cross Country

Learners are fitting training for Cross Country into their busy days. Our event is calendared for Thursday 7 September. We are lucky enough to have the space at Jude and Luigi Hotter's for one more year- Thank you to the Hotter's, you have been fantastic at supporting this event over many years.

Further details will be shared next week, via the newsletter, facebook and via Skool Loop!

Speech Night

We will be hosting a celebration of oratory and writing skill in Week 8 on 6 September. Learners will be selected from their classes to deliver a prepared speech to an audience of peers and whānau. We look forward to seeing you there!

We will also be hosting the Kahui Ako-wide Inter School Speech event in Week 10. Learners from Year 4-8 will be representing each school/kura in our Ruapehu Kahui Ako (Community of Learners). Who will take the trophy this year?

Cell Phones

Just a quick reminder that if your learner brings a cell phone to school it MUST be handed in at the office. This keeps both the phone and learners safe. We do not enjoy policing this and appreciate whānau supporting this school rule. All learners have access to learning devices in their classroom spaces and all learners are contactable quickly and effectively through the school office. If you have any questions please contact the office or email principal@ohakune.school.nz.

Morning Tea with the Principal Term 3 Weeks 6 & 7

Room 5 Hannah Eley & Zara Tracey	Room 9 Bella Cranston & Luke de Joux	Room 14 Nadia Sullivan & Araceli Marsh
Room 6 Rocco Bradnam and Baeley Trow	Room 10 Lachlan Gilbert & Empress Sullivan	S. Block Paige Drinkwater & Milla Smith-Horne Matthew Markenstein & Ashton Wilson
Room 7 Fletcher Deadman & Scout Scarf	Room 11 Ezekiel Sukabula- Davison & Diaz Pokaia-Kennedy	
Room 8 Flynn MacLeod and Evie McDonnell	Room 12 Ana Lisa Marumaru & Nico Fisher	



Celebrating Childrens' Achievements

Middle & Senior Awards

Kaeden Trow, Te Mihi Taylor, Javana-Lee Hiroti, Casey Shields, Ezekiel Sukabula-Davison, Tiana Grossart, Everly-Rose Kristiansen, Caitlin Drinkwater & Amorangi Renata

Junior Awards

Kian Khaleb Russel, Ryan Boslem, Indee Crossfield, Wairere Mareikura, Jeffrey Donald, Scout Scarf, Addison Tuck, Alex Young, Luca Mickleson, Lilly Cranston, Aropeta Bates, Meila Eves & Aaron Loram

Duffy Awards

Rangiirunga Kingi-Mareikura, Manaaki Bell- Morehu, Jack Maclean, Lucas Senekal, Lila Doolan & Claire Deadman



Duffy Book Awards

Aaron Loram, Hana Pilbrow, Alabella Olsen, Reef Thompson, Baeley Trow, Mason Kristiansen & Kaea Thrupp



Casey Kleinpaste, Imperial Davison, Tohumairangi Te Riaki, Colton Deadman, Izaac Wu, Cooper Burnett, Chloe Mabbott, Abbie Drayton & Kyani Ririnui



Our Mountain Experience



SnowSports so far...

We have been very excited and pleased to be able to head up the mountain for some fabulous learning and fun snow experiences already this term!

Thank you to the Turoa staff, especially Will and to our whanau and teachers for making this happen! More to come!

The photos come from Room 5 and Rooms 2, 4. & 12





Garden Club Flower Show.

Saturday 16 September

Children's Section.

83- 11 years and over. 84- 8, 9, 10 years. 85-up to & including 7 years
Painted Rock (palm size)

Theme: Native Flora/Fauna. Inquiries to Glenys Shepherd 0212146901



Meet the team and community BBQ

Come along for a free sausage sizzle after school to hear more about proposed new homes in your community.

This is a great opportunity for us to connect with you, share information about new homes proposed at Teitei Drive and hear your thoughts about how we can support your community.

We will also be at the Bayleys Building on Goldfinch Street between 11:30am and 1:30pm on the 30th and 31st of August if you want to drop by.

We look forward to seeing you!

Event details

DATE

30 August 2023

TIME

2.30pm-3.30pm

VENUE

Ohakune Primary School – school entrance (if wet will be in front of technology centre)

Keeping in touch

We would love to hear from you. If you're unable to attend and would like to share your thoughts and ideas with us, please fill out our online survey Teitei Drive Community Feedback 2023 Survey (surveymonkey.com)



Or get in touch with us:

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Value of the week

Integrity

**When we stay focused, do great work, act kindly towards others,
all when no one is watching, we are showing integrity**

Ngā mihi

Lisa Clark
Principal