

Ohaeawai School

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Nga mihi nui ki a koutou katoa. Greetings everyone.

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✂ **Congratulations to last week's "Cool Kids"** Bonnie Ashby, Room 6 for keeping on cleaning after everyone else had stopped!; and Abbey Henwood, Room 2 for making the speech finals.

✂ **Rugby - Whakapakari Tinana Shield Challenge** - Congratulations to the team that represented our school yesterday when we played Kaikohe West School. Everyone played a great game against a very experienced team. Unfortunately we didn't manage to win the trophy. Many thanks to Matua Ken who did a wonderful job of coaching the team at very short notice. Thanks also to the parents who provided transport into Kaikohe.

✂ **Kaikohe Rotary Speech Contest** - Last night Simon Halliday and Tiana Edwards represented our school at the speech contest held at the Kaikohe RSA. They both did an excellent job with Tiana being awarded 2nd place.

✂ **Movie Night Tonight - Shrek Forever After - All tickets sold**
There are no door sales as all seats are filled. Please bring your Shrek tickets with you. They will be collected at the door on your way into the movie. 6:00pm start.

✂ **Many thanks to Castle Duo and Ben Wilson** for giving our school the opportunity to have this movie as fundraising for the ski trip. We really appreciate your help.

✂ **RAFFLE for 4 covered stand tickets at Eden Park Auckland to watch the Northland v Auckland Rugby game on Sunday 22nd August.** Kick off 2:35pm. \$5.00 per raffle ticket. 100 Tickets - drawn when sold. 53 tickets left to sell.

✂ **Parent/Student/Teacher Conferences - Tuesday 22nd and Wednesday 23rd June.** Remember to fill in the time slot on the interview sheet and send the sheet back to Maureen in the office.

✂ **National Standards** Lee will be available on both days of the interviews to talk to parents about National Standards and the ways of reporting to you. If you have concerns or would like to find out more about National Standards please feel free to come along and talk with Lee on the interview days.

✂ **Lost Property** - There is a large amount of clothing unclaimed. Please encourage your child to have a good LOOK to see if any items belong to them.

✂ **Sausage sizzle** - There will be a sausage sizzle tomorrow, Friday. They are \$1.50 each. Thanks to the parents who have put their name on the roster for lunches on Friday. Your help is very much appreciated.

✂ **Ski Trip** - We have now got a roster for Friday lunches. If you would like to add your name to the list please let the school know. We still need items for the silent auction. The auction will be launched early in term 3 so we need all items for the auction in by the end of the term. There are still many children who have not started to pay for the trip yet. We will shortly have to pay deposits for our bookings so would appreciate payments being started. Small payments on a regular basis are a great way to pay for the trip. Some parents at the meeting indicated they would be willing to set up a food stall at the soccer games each Saturday. Please phone Adam if you are able to help.

✂ **REMEMBER to please send the ski trip permission and health forms** back to school as soon as possible. Children's payments (\$130.00 per child) can be sent along to school at any time, as part payments or in full. However full payment must be made before September 1st 2010.

Calendar Corner

17 Jun - Shrek Movie Night 6:00pm Bring your tickets.

22 Jun - Parent/child/teacher meeting

23 Jun - Parent/child/teacher meeting

02 Jul - Last Day of Term 2

19 Jul - Term 3 starts

20 Jul - BOT meeting 7:00pm

22 Jul - Kahurangi Dance Show

01 Sep - Kaikohe & Districts Cross Country held at Ohaeawai School

24 Sep - Last day of Term 3

Tuesdays: Toys Day

Wednesdays: Wheels Day

Fridays: School Banking: Westpac & ASB
Sausage Sizzle for lunch \$1.50



Saturday Soccer Sausage Sizzles

We are looking for volunteers to help with a sausage sizzle each Saturday morning at Ohaeawai school. This will coincide with the soccer games being played. Funds raised will go towards the year 5 & 6 ski trip. **If you are able to man the bbq on one of the following mornings please call Marion on 4077881 0211478052 or Adam on 4059956. Thanks. 19/06/2010 9:00a.m. to 11:00a.m; 26/06/2010 9:00a.m. to noon; 3/07/2010 9:00 a.m. to 11:00a.m; 17/07/2010 9:00a.m. to 11:00a.m; 24/07/2010 9:00a.m. to 11:00a.m. Thanks. Adam Crawford**

Soccer Draw:

OW Jaguars v BC Karetu 9:00 Ohaeawai Sch 1B
OW Tigers v Paihia Marlins 9:00 Bledisloe Dom. 1B
OW Sharks v Kerikeri Keas 9:00 Ohaeawai 1A
OW Warriors v Kerikeri Phoenix 10:00 Ohaeawai 1
OW Bulldogs v Kaikohe Tigers 9:00 Lindvart 2A
OW Troopers v Keri The Rox 10:00 Keri High Sch 3

Northland Development Tournament fee - Please pay at the school office before 1st July. Thank you.

Hockey Draw:

Ohaeawai Dynamos play @ 9:15am, you need to be at the turf at 9:00am

Ohaeawai Dragons play @ 9:30am, you need to be at the turf at 9:10am.

Ohaeawai Titans play @ 10:00am, you need to be at the turf at 9:40am.

Hockey Fees are \$40 per person. Please pay at the Ohaeawai School office.

Rm 1 Yr 5 & 6 Mrs Brajkovich

Well, our speech competitions are done and dusted!! Last week Simon, Grace, and Joseph were chosen as our class speech finalists to compete against students from room two and room six. Eventually Simon and Tiana (from room 2) were selected to represent the school at the Rotary speech contest final last night in Kaikohe, with Tiana gaining 2nd place. We are very proud of them as they did a great job.

We have learned lots of skills to take forward to next year.

It's been a busy week getting ready for parent interviews etc and the end of term is getting very close. We have also been busy writing poetry and have sent some of our poems away to be judged by Sam Hunt!!

Congratulations this week go to Kalani Waa, Murdoch Cookson, and Dylan Jackson who represented us at rugby yesterday afternoon. They played against Kaikohe West and we hear it was an excellent, hard-fought game.

Rm 5 Yr 2 & 3 Miss Ross

This week we have started a new writing programme based on the course I attended two weekends ago. We have been learning about hooks in writing and language features such as onomatopoeia, dialogue and rhetorical questions.

We have also been busy putting the finishing touches to our portfolios. We have been talking a lot about our work and what our next steps are. We look forward to sharing these with you next week.

Please make sure that your child brings their book bags back to school each day. Many of the reading groups use the same book for more than one day and if they do not have their book bag they end up sharing books which is not ideal.

Rm 3 Yr 1 Mrs Ritchie & Miss Nicola

We are working hard in maths at the moment learning to group numbers using word problems. We are getting quicker and quicker!

The children have worked really hard at improving their body posture drawings. They are learning to give and use feedback.

In music we are completing our unit by creating a talking book for the parents on interview night. It will contain all we have learnt about sound, with verbal explanations given by each child. They are finding this fascinating

Rm 2 Yr 6 Mrs Craig

Tena koutou katoa.

Another week has gone by with lots of things happening. Congratulations to Tiana Edwards for coming second in the Rotary Speech Contest. Also congratulations to all the children who played rugby against the West School for the Whakapakari Tinana Challenge.

This week we have completed our fossil information posters that we are going to present at our assembly tomorrow. We have begun looking at the medieval times. We are creating our own heraldic shields. We talked about the colours and symbols that were used and why. Some of the children investigated their names and have included symbols to represent these in their shields. I can't wait to see the final products as some of the shields are looking really good.

Next week the children will be sharing their portfolios at the conferences, talking about their learning, where they are and what their next steps in learning are.

Rm 7 Yrs 1 & 2 Miss Huxtable

Kia ora.

Only 2 weeks of term left, it has gone so fast. What a busy few weeks we have had, we have been doing lots of writing and work on our portfolios. I am starting to see some improvement in writing already. I have also tested reading and maths and know what we have to work on for the rest of the term and next term.

Your child will be bringing home spelling words to learn today, please encourage them to practise these every night. We want to try to learn as many of these by the end of the term and over the holidays as well.

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Rm 4 Yrs 3 & 4 Miss Ritchie

Tena koutou katoa.

Wow! What a busy week it has been. This week we have been looking at and learning about similes in writing. Today we wandered outside and listened, looked, smelt, and felt the different things in the back garden. Our task was to create a simile poem.

Nature

The air is as fresh as flowers
The tree is as rough as carpet
The rocks are as lumpy as a pear
The birds are as soft as fur.

Patrick Darge

Out in the Open

The grass is as wet as rain
The wind is cold like a strong breeze
The trees are lumpy and bumpy like a dirt track
The stones go clitter clatter like horse hooves.

Te Uira Simmonds

Rm 6 Yrs 4 & 5 Mr Hill

We have had a really busy week this week. We have been writing poems, doing samples for our portfolios and preparing for next weeks parent/student/teacher conferences.

We have been having a lot of fun in writing this week. Our focus has been "show, not tell" so we looked at using powerful verbs to support this. Then we used poems to practise our powerful verbs and the children surprised me with what they came up with; a lot of children came up with some really creative and inspiring poems.

In Maths, we are still working on strategies to solve multiplication and division problems and all the students are coping well in their groups.

I'm really looking forward to meeting all the parents who have organised a time to come and see all the hard work we have done in class.

Hope you all have a wonderful weekend.

RHEUMATIC FEVER Sore throats can damage your heart!

Whaea Mereana Witehira, and Charlotte Poa (Trainee Community Health Worker) of Te Hau Ora O Kaikohe visit our school three times a week- Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 1:15pm.

Rheumatic Fever is a heart disease and is caused by a bacterial bug called Streptococcal A. A simple throat swab is taken from students with sore throats and tested for the Streptococcus A bug. Please Parents/Caregivers take this matter seriously. If your child/ren have a sore throat take them to the doctor and ask for a throat swab.

THIS SERVICE IS FREE.

For more information contact Mereana at 09 405 2647 or 021 0266 5971.

Lee Whitelaw Principal