



Weekly Newsletter No. 04 Thursday 25 February

Nga mihi nui ki a koutou katoa. Greetings everyone.

Ohaeawai School

☒ **Congratulations to this weeks "Cool kids"** Max Jordan, Room 5 for respect; and Aroha Anderson, Room 5.

☒ **Room 5 - Sadly** Liz's mother passed away yesterday morning. Our thoughts are with her and her family at this very sad time. As you would all be aware we are endeavouring to ensure that the programmes in Room 5 have as little disruption as possible. Thank you for your understanding in this matter and thanks so much to our relievers who have so willingly worked in Room 5.

☒ **FUNDRAISING NEWS!!** - Thanks to lots of help and support we made a profit of \$125.00 on the sale of our Valentine's Day shortbread. Thank you from Room 1. Get your guesses in quick for the "How many jellybeans in the paint tin?" competition as Murdoch Cookson will be announcing the winner and handing over the prize at tomorrow afternoon's regular Friday assembly!!!! Only 50c per guess.

☒ **Easter Raffle** - As part of the fundraising for the ski trip we are having an Easter raffle. This will be a hamper of Easter goodies. Donations for the hamper can be sent to school from now on.

☒ **Recycling Green Bins** - You will all have received the green recycling bins which were delivered recently in the area by East West Waste. They have kindly offered to provide sponsorship of these bins to the school for our recycling programme. We are really grateful to them as this has been an ongoing issue for us in the past as our children do a very good job of recycling but it has been difficult to get it picked up. They have also offered to assist us with further education of our children as we continue to strive to look after the environment. Please support them with your recycling.

☒ **Hockey Coaching** - Next Wednesday Bevan Gibbs the Northland Hockey Association coach will be visiting our school to provide hockey skills coaching to all classes. He will be here weather permitting from 11:15am

☒ **Year 4-6 Fun Hockey day 9 March** for Year 4 - 6 children interested in playing hockey on this day. We will need parents to assist with the day. Please contact Alicia Room 2 if you can help. A permission form was given to the children involved today.

☒ **Ski trip Fundraising Update** - We urgently need used plant containers to grow herb and vegetable seedlings in to sell. We also need clean sacks that are in good condition to put pine cones in. These can be brought to school from now on.

☒ **It is also great to see that the organisation of the Silent Auction is underway.**

☒ **Paid Union Meetings** - NZEI (the Teachers Union) have arranged for the Paid Union meeting for teachers to be held in Kaikohe on Wednesday March 24th. All teachers are entitled to attend this meeting so school will be closing at 12 o'clock noon on that day. As a result the Waimate North bus will leave school at 12 o'clock and the Kaikohe Bus at approximately 12:30pm. OSCAR will not be operating on this day either.

☒ **The school will be having a stall at Taiamai day on Saturday 27th March** so please keep this day free.

☒ **Art for sale** - Nicola Bew has got 2 beautiful original paintings displayed in the school foyer. They are for sale at \$250.00 each with the proceeds going to the Years 5 & 6 ski trip. As they are sold they will be replaced with new ones. Do come in and have a look at them

☒ **Year 5 & 6 Ski Trip Monday 6th to Friday 10th September** The cost per person is \$130. Payment can be sent along to school anytime, either in instalments or the full amount.

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Calendar Corner

03 Mar - hockey coaching for all children

09 Mar - 6 aside fun day hockey for Yrs 4-6

27 Mar - Taiamai Day school stall

31 Mar - End of Term 1

19 Apr - Term 2 starts

19 Apr - Life Ed mobile unit arrives

22 Jul - Kahurangi Dance Show 22 Jul

17 Aug - Cool Kids Show



Remember:

Tuesdays: Toys Day

Wednesdays: Wheels Day

Fridays: School Banking Westpac & ASB

NETBALL - We need volunteers to organise a team or teams, and coach, and to attend the meeting to be held tonight at 6:00pm - see ad on page 2. Thank you in anticipation.

Ohaeawai Playcentre is collecting for their Taiamai Day White Elephant fundraiser. Any donations will be gratefully accepted. Drop off Tuesday or Thursday 8:45am - 12:45pm or we can collect. Phone Monique 4059 582

Mike Sabin seminar about the drug "P" 4th March at 5:30pm at Kawakawa Primary School Hall on Albert Street, Kawakawa - The Bay of Islands branch of our teacher union (NZEI), would like to extend an invitation to you to attend. Learn how to identify and help people who are using it. Entry is by koha or free if you are an NZEI member.

Kaikohe Community Arts Council Proudly support

Children's Day Concert 2010
Sunday, March 7th 1:00pm

CHILDREN FREE !!! Adults Gold Coin

Entry Northland College Gymnasium
A gorgeous duet of guitar and lyrical contemporary dance. It is suitable for both children and grown-ups! 5 works comprise the program, with "Somewhere over the Rainbow" closing the afternoon with whimsy and grace.

Rm 1 Yr 5 & 6 Mrs Brajkovich

Still waiting for 2 people to bring portfolios.

Congratulations this week go to Brodean Shepherd and Brooklyn Johnson for producing writing samples with lots of adjectives and a strong personal voice.

Rm 6 Yr 4 & 5 Mr Hill

Another busy week in Room 6.

In maths we have discovered using tally charts and presenting the information onto pie graphs.

We have also started our reading tumble and the students are settling beautifully into the reading activities and routines.

This week for writing we have focused on recounts – so we can have some wonderful weekend writing posted up on our wall. Our topic study is about being a “caring” person and we are also brainstorming ideas for a metal shield we will soon be creating and displaying in our class next week.

Well that’s all from Mr. Hill, so have a great weekend!!!

Rm 2 Yr 6 Mrs Craig

Tena koutou katoa.

What an exciting week we have had. We all enjoyed the Royal New Zealand Air Force Band on Tuesday.

Yesterday Justin Blaikie came in and worked with some groups of children, planting seeds to sell at Taiamai Day at the end of next month. He also helped us plant our bean seeds in our garden out the back, as they have been very successful and have grown so well.

Just a reminder that all the children need to bring an Easter egg or something Easter related along to school over the next week for the Easter Raffle.

I have been very impressed with the children’s dedication towards their homework, taking home and returning their book bag each day. They should also be bringing home their spelling notebook, with words to learn. The words I have taken from their writing at this stage.



Room 2 are looking for adults to help in Ohaeawai School’s garden with weeding and planting and working with the children. We are going to set up a roster for helpers. Please contact Justin Blaikie on 4059 868 if you are available to help.

Rm 4 Yrs 3 & 4 Miss Ritchie

Tena koutou katoa.

We have had an exciting week this week. The Royal New Zealand Air force band on Tuesday was amazing to see. Even though we were all packed into the Memorial Hall the children loved the amazing instruments and the talented players.

We had an extra class member in our class yesterday. His name was Jake and he is Alexandra’s puppy. We drew him and brainstormed lots of amazing adjective to describe Jake.

More children have brought their book bags to school which is great. There are still some who don’t have their book bags. Your child needs to bring the book bags to school each day to be able to take their reading books home.

Rm 7 Yrs 1 & 2 Mrs Squire

The children enjoyed the Air Force Band this week. They rarely get the opportunity to see these instruments played live especially at a concert designed for children. But relax, nobody in our class wants to learn the tuba or bagpipes.

Our maths work this week is to tell and record number stories about our tadpoles. Sadly many equations are subtraction ones.

Remember that the orange 1F4 exercise book in children’s book bag, is a reading diary for you to record what your child has read and to write any notes to me in.



Ski Trip Sausages Fundraiser:

SpICY Beef, and SNOWy Beef & onion available. Prepaid orders please to Maureen at the office. \$15 for 12 specialty sausages from Ohaeawai Butchery. (We need at least 20 orders)

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Ohaeawai Taiamai Residents Ass.
Taiamai Day
Saturday 27 March
• Live band, food stalls, children’s rides. Stall/space cost \$10.00 For a stall/space booking or more information phone:
• Jeanette 4059545 / 0272939159 or
• Tracey 4059717 / 0274921878
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Lee Whitelaw Principal

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NETBALL Preseason/Pre AGM meeting
Thursday, 25th Feb, 6:00pm
at Lindvart Pavillion. Bay of Islands Netball Centre

Tena Koutou Katoa.

The Netball Season is near. I hope you have been practicing your shots and defence moves. Please have a representative attend to receive the information that will be given on this day re: Nomination of the Roles, Umpire and Coaching Workshops coming up and the Netball North Trials etc....All parents/caregivers and players most welcome.

Thanks for your time. Cheers.

Yummy Stickers

We are collecting Yummy stickers off the fruit again this year. Last year we had earned \$179.00 from your sticker collecting and received a volleyball set, a small ball pack, and 2 ball bags, for our PE shed. So please send all your yummy stickers to school again this year. I have the sheets for putting the stickers, or plastic bag tokens on available in the office - please collect from Maureen. Thank you for your efforts.



Rm 3 Yr 1 Mrs Ritchie

Hi from all of us in Room 3.

This week we saw a caterpillar form a cocoon and we all marvelled at how quickly this happens! We will be researching all about it’s life cycle and answering questions the children have in the coming week.

We are covering sharing and caring in class and it’s wonderful they all have something they do at home to add to this discussion.

Room 3 are doing a lot of observational drawing at the moment so please help them notice details when looking at their face and objects that interest them.

Kaikohe Junior Rugby Rally
27th February 10:00am
At Kaikohe Rugby Club
All players, parents, coaches welcome. Please contact:
Cheryl Smith (Nee Waaka)
On 0274343417 a/h 4011236.