

Ohaeawai School

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Nga mihi nui kia koutou katoa. Greetings everyone.

Weekly Newsletter **No. 39 Thursday 08 December**

📧 **Congratulations to last week's "Cool Kids"** Kroashar Tau-Martin, Room 7 for great behaviour; and Tyla Nisbet, Room 1 for helping others.

📧 **This week we are pleased to welcome** Arlia Moon to our school. We all hope she enjoys her time at Ohaeawai School.

📧 **As this is the last newsletter for the year** I would like to thank you all for your support during the year. It has been another busy year with a variety of learning, social, and sporting activities taking place. As I have said many times before our school is so grateful for the support you give your children and the teachers at Ohaeawai School as we strive to make sure your children succeed in what they do. Have a happy and safe Christmas and enjoy the holidays with your children. To the Year 6 children who are leaving, all the best for the future. We will miss you but you are very well prepared to do well in the future.

📧 **Lost Property** – This will be disposed of next Tuesday. It has been put out regularly so please encourage your children to have a good look or pop into school and have a look yourself. There are some really nice clothes, shoes, togs, towels etc in the box waiting for their owners to claim them.

📧 **Reports and Portfolios** – These will be sent home on Friday. Most classes will have a spelling list in the back of the portfolio for children to work on during the holidays. It would also be very helpful if they could keep up the reading and tables during the holidays.

📧 **Concert/Prizegiving Monday 12th December starting at 6:00pm** – Children need to be at the hall by 5:45pm ready to start at 6:00pm. This is taking place at the Kaikohe Memorial Hall in Kaikohe

📧 **Readers and Library Books** – Could we have all these back at school as soon as possible as a stocktake is underway. Thank you and well done to all those families who have returned readers, journals and library books. It is much appreciated.

📧 **Nits - Parents remember** to check your child's hair for these often. Thank you from all other parents and children!

📧 **Knowledgenet website** email address for children and families to access is: www.ohaeawai.knowledge.net.nz

Mid-North Mobile Ear Clinic will be Outside **Broadway Health Centre** 8:30am - 3:30pm on the following Thursdays: Dec. 15. For all children especially pre-schoolers. No appointment needed - just call in. Services include Glue Ear assessment, treatment of discharging ears, grommet checks, wax and foreign body removal. Ear Nurse 021 435 025 Kaiawhina or 0800 100 643 opt 6

Remember If you want books for your children to read over the holidays for new entrant to Year 5 - It is very important that all children continue to read over the holidays. Research says that children can slip back over summer. If you are concerned about your child's reading we will give out extra reading material for your child. You need to send a note with your child to me saying you want books for over the summer. In the last week of school I will send these out. Joining the local library is another good idea. Contact: Raewyn Ritchie, Room 3.



Calendar Corner

09 Dec - Kaikohe Christmas parade 6:00pm

12 Dec - End of year concert Kaikohe Memorial Hall
6:00pm start. Children need to be there 5:45

13 Dec - Last Day of school finishes 2:25 as normal

Tuesdays: Toys Day

Wednesdays: Wheels Day

Fridays: School Banking:
Westpac & ASB

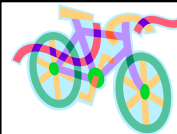
2012 Term Dates

Term 1: 01 Feb. - 05 Apr.

Term 2: 23 Apr. - 29 Jun.

Term 3: 16 Jul. - 28 Sep.

Term 4: 15 Oct. - 14 Dec.



Get on your bike for the Kaikohe Santa Parade Friday 9 December. This year the **Far**

North District Council and the **Pou Herenga Tai – Twin Coast Cycle Trail** are entering a 'riding float' and invite you and your whanau to decorate your Bike and ride in the parade with us! Meeting at Mid North Motor Inn, Kaikohe Friday 9th December. Decorating bikes from 4pm, Parade starts at 6pm Anyone with a bike **but if you're under 14 you'll need a parent or supervisor to join you. Far North District Council staff will help decorate your bikes out with Christmas fun. Register online at www.fndc.govt.nz or phone **09 401 5200** with names and numbers from your Kura or friends Bring your bike, helmet, gold-coin koha, and any costume or personal decorations you want on your bike. Prizes for best dressed bike.

Te Hau Ora o Kaikohe have 15 bikes available for 9 - 13 years old for the Santa Parade. Contact Ere-na Kara 4052 647 to book bikes.

Rm 1 Yrs 4 & 5 Mrs Brajkovich

Kia ora.

Whoa! What a crazy year we've had! Mrs B says it has been a WHIZZ BANG year and we have been an amazingly loveable class!!

The year fours in our room would like to thank all of the parents that came to year 4 camp to help out. EVERYONE loved it!

This week we have been busy practising for our prizegiving performance. Today we held our last auditions for front row positions. The judges were Tamati, Quintin, Jhontae and Stuart. So, now all we have to remember is that Mrs B would like everyone to come to the prize giving wearing black and white clothes to make our dance routine look more effective.

We've had a vote and have decided to have a shared lunch on Monday. If you can spare some tasty treats that would be wonderful.

We all hope you have a WONDERFUL Christmas and an awesome new year!

This week's newsletter reporter was: Troy Ramsay.

Rm 3 Yr 1 Mrs Ritchie & Miss Nicola

Happy Birthday Matua Ken!!! 21 today! (So he says.)

Room 3 is busy with Christmas activities and having a lot of fun. We are practising our item for the prize giving concert and you will love it! They really look wonderful.

In swimming we are working hard on all things the ladies from watersafe have taught us and are getting quite good at floating and kicking. The children have much more confidence in the water so this will be great for you during the holidays if you're at the beach

Mrs Ritchie and I wish everyone a lovely holiday and a wonderful Christmas! Don't miss us too much.

There will be no 4 year old visits tomorrow. See you all next year!



*Enjoy your holidays, Christmas, New Year, and catching up with family.
Merry Christmas & a Happy New Year everyone.*

Rm 2 Yr 6 Mrs Craig

Tena koutou katoa.

Well this is the final newsletter of the year and what a busy year it has been. I have had a wonderful year with such an amazing group of children with all their individual talents ranging from sporting to spelling to maths. They have all put in a huge amount of effort and achieved pleasing results.

We all had a wonderful night on Monday for the Year 6 Graduation and the dinner was beautiful. Thanks for the many positive comments we have received.

Thank you for all the support over the year and working with your child to help them achieve their results.

I wish all the children the best for their future and look forward to hearing about their achievements.

Remember to be the best that you can be!

Plastic bags

If you have oodles of plastic bags at home we would love to take them off your hands. Please drop them off at the office or classroom, if your teacher has asked for some. Thank you very much

Rm 7 Yrs 1 & 2 Mrs Clarke

Kia ora.

I can't believe this will be the last class news for the year. This year has gone so quickly. What a wonderful time we have had in Room 7 this year and what great progress the children have made.

Thank you to all the parents for their help and support during the year. The work you put into your children's learning at home really helps them to progress more quickly!

Tomorrow reports and portfolios will be sent home. In the back of the portfolio folder will be a spelling list to learn over the holidays. The children who are not attending the spelling party tomorrow particularly need to learn their words so they are further ahead for next year.

I look forward to seeing you all at prize giving on Monday night at the Memorial Hall. The children have been working hard on their item.

I hope you all have a wonderful Christmas, New Year and holidays!

Rm 4 Yr 3 Miss Ritchie

Tena koutou katoa.

Well I keep saying it but this week has flown by once again.

I will clear up any misunderstandings about our class Christmas party:

We are having a Christmas party on Friday (tomorrow).

You don't have to send any food to school with your children - it is optional. I will be providing the cake and ice cream.

Your children can choose whether or not they dress up - they don't have to.

I hope that makes things easier.

Have a great holiday and keep safe.

Rm 5 Yr 2 Miss Ross

Tena koutou katoa.

We have come to the end of the school year and this will be our final newsletter.

A huge thank you to all parents who have helped throughout the year, and especially to Kailee Popplewell for her help throughout the year with our spelling testing.

Reports and portfolios will be sent home tomorrow. If you are looking for some work to keep your child busy over the holidays please look at their basic facts sheets and the spelling list sheets in their portfolio. Working on these over the holidays would be great.

Finally I would like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a safe New Year.

Rm 6 Yr 4 Mrs Ruawai

Goodness me... where has the year gone? A huge thank you to Mrs B for the superb camp. We all thoroughly enjoyed our time... we hope you had a birthday experience to remember!

Remember anyone who wants to come and share the rest of the cereal and photos with us you are welcome. 8:00am in room 6! See you there!

We are preparing for our end of year prize giving this week. As well as looking forward to the spelling party on Friday.

By the way, happy birthday Matua Ken from room 6.

Lee Whitelaw. Principal