



## School Newsletter – Week 4, Term 4 2018

### Important Dates:

5 Nov – Athletics for 8yrs and up  
 7 Nov – Reading Together  
 16 Nov – Whakanuia 11am – 12.45pm  
 20 Nov – Central/Rural Athletics  
 26 Nov – Ahurei, Ōwhata performing 7.30pm  
 28 Nov – Report summaries home  
 30 Nov – Year 6's to Mokoia 9.30am – 12.15pm  
 3 Dec – Reporting week starts  
 5 Dec – CBOP / EBOP Athletics  
 5 Dec – Year 0 – 2 visit to Redwood H&H, 11.30am  
 7 Dec – Visit new class for 2019  
 7 Dec – Road Patrol reward day for year 6's  
 10 Dec – Prizegiving at Ōwhata Marae 4.30pm  
 11 Dec – Postponement date for prizegiving  
 12 Dec – Last day for students 2018

### School Values:

Inquiry – Patapātai

Respect – Manaakitanga

Integrity – Mana Tangata

Excellence - Kairangatira

### Office contact: (07) 3456051

#### **Strike Action – Week 5 (next week)**

Next Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> November our school will be **CLOSED** for instruction due to strike action. Please ensure you have alternative arrangements for your tamariki.

We do not want to be in a position to strike however, we strongly believe that our tamariki deserve a better deal, along with teaching and support staff. Some of the issues at present:

- Large classes
- Limited support for tamariki who require extra 1:1
- Limited class release time for teachers to perform planning and assessment tasks
- Pay negotiations for teachers
- SENCo require support to fulfil set tasks in a timely manner

Thank you for your support and understanding. Bob Stiles.



#### **Student News:**

Kia ora Whānau,  
On Monday, we had our school athletics and we all enjoyed participating. We had a few activities to go through, such as: sprints, long jump, shotput and high jump. We saw some children SMASH those sports, but we need to remember, it's not about winning, it's about participating and doing your best. Congratulations to everyone!  
We also want to thank our local ECE Centres for coming to spend time at our school last week.

#### **Absences:**

Please ensure you phone the school office if your child is going to be absent from school.

#### **Sports Uniforms:**

If you have an Ōwhata sports uniform that is no longer needed can you please return to the office.

#### **Library books:**

There are many outstanding library books – please return if you have any.

#### **Our Piripoho Nurse**

Leesa King is available to support whānau with any health concerns. Contact (027) 345 9699

We are based on the Owhata School grounds,

**From Mr. Stiles:**



Thank you to all our tamariki who continue to show our school values each day! Kāore he painga ia koutou! You make us very proud!

**Swimming:**

Most classes have started their swimming programme for Term 4. Please encourage tamariki to bring their togs and towel each day. It is important to us that we can teach swim safe skills.

**Ka Pai Kai – Monday – Thursday Lunch**



**Menu!**

- Hidden Vegetable Lasagne - \$4
- Standard Lunch Bag - \$4 (Chicken salad sandwich, yoghurt, mini muffin & fruit)
- Mini Lunch Bag - \$3 (half size sandwich)
- Cottage pie - \$4.00      Soup and bun - \$2.50
- Cookie - \$1.50              Muffin - \$2.00
- Jucies - \$1.00
- Flavoured water - \$1.50

**Whaea Sue and Whaea Sheryll.**

**Recent Sports Results:**

**Interschool Field days:**

Hockey came 2<sup>nd</sup> equal in pool B grade B

Football came 3<sup>rd</sup> in Pool 1 grade B

Netball came 1<sup>st</sup> in B grade, section 2

Congratulations to all of our tamariki who participated and represented Ōwhata School. He mihi anō kia Whaea Lorraine me ngā Kaiako e tautoko i ngā mahi o te Hākinakina.

**SUNSMART:**

It is amazing to see so many tamariki with a sunhat for our warmer days. Please keep encouraging your child to wear a named hat to school.



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