



School Newsletter, Week 8, Term 2, 2019

OUR KURA, OUR PLACE



"KO WHAKAPOUNGAKAU TE PAE MAUNGA
 KO WAINGAEHE TE AWA
 KO ROTORUA-NUI-A-KAHUMATAMOMOE TE MOANA
 KO PUKETĀWHERO TE PAPA WHENUA
 KO TE RORO-O-TE-RANGI TE HAPU
 KO NGĀTI WHAKAUE TE IWI
 KO TE ARAWA TE WAKA
 KO OWHATA TE MARAE
 KO OWHATA TE KURA"



This is our school pepeha. Our pepeha locates us and identifies our connections to our whenua and whānau. Please try learning our pepeha at home with your tamariki. They can also learn and share their own pepeha!

Important Dates:

19th June - Rural Schools Cross Country Kaharoa School

20th June - Junior Cross Country (5, 6, 7 year olds), starting at 11am at Owhata School

21st June - Whaea Ngahuia in the hall kitchen (healthy kai) and MOKOIA MANA NACHO day

28th June - Room 3's Assembly - Whānau welcome!

2nd July - SCHOOL DISCO (during the day) 11am - 12.30pm (tamariki can buy kai see below)

3rd July - Book Character Day! Dress up as your favourite book character!

4th July - Thursday is the last day of Term 2 - School finish 2.55pm - Please note the change of finish date

5th July - TEACHER ONLY DAY, school closed for instruction

School Focus - Term 2

Kaupapa Matua: Ngā Atua

Key Understanding: "A T U A are with us - they will nourish us if we do the same in return..." P.Pirika.

Focus: Investigate predictions based on ensuring a nourished environment (Lake, Wetlands, Predators and pests)

Matariki 🌟

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Office contact: (07) 345 6051 - Brent Road, Rotorua office@owhata.school.nz

Korero from Mr. Stiles (Principal / Tumuaki)

Ténā Koutou Katoa,

Ka nui ngā mihi kia koutou e te whānau o Ōwhata! Warm greetings to you all and welcome to our new tamariki and whānau! I want to congratulate all our sports tamariki on their huge achievements this term - you have all worked so hard to represent our kura positively. Huge thanks to all our coaches and volunteers who give up their time to make sure our tamariki are able to have these experiences - your support is much appreciated! Thanks Whaea Lorraine for taking our awesome volunteers to a special breakfast.

*We also want to congratulate **Aoife Treviranus** who won a parcel of books for our school library through WHAT NOW. She had to read reviews online and rate the titles. Aoife was selected as a winner!*

Ka kite anō, Arohanui!

Bob Stiles - Principal.



Teacher Only Day - Friday 5th July

Kia ora whānau,

*We have decided to add a **Teacher Only Day** to our calendar this term. We would like to participate in some professional development, but also talk as a staff (with support) about the huge term we have endured. For us, this will be an opportunity to renew our focus moving forward to the next school term (planning), whilst allowing our teachers the holiday period to complete their own mahi. We thank you all for your support over this term. We appreciate our tamariki, whānau and community. **School will be closed for instruction on Friday 5th July.** The last day of school for our students this term is Thursday 4th of July. School starts back on Monday 22nd July.*

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Board of Trustees



Congratulations to our Board of Trustees who were elected last week. From parent elections (6 nominations):

- Tony Scott
- Jaimee Rankin
- Mary Nicholas
- Marie Hodge
- Larissa Ashby

From staff elections (1 nomination):

- Robyn Hurliman

Reporting Week

This week is reporting week at Ōwhata School. We have interviews after school each day to discuss your child's report. Now is a good time to make an appointment with your child's class teacher to talk about learning and social progress. Your input is very important and our tamariki have awesome mahi to share!

Te Whānau a Iriirikapua - Rūmaki (Māori Medium)

Tēnā tātou katoa,

We recently shared an information brochure on our Facebook page to promote our rūmaki unit - Te Whānau a Iriirikapua. We are lucky to have 3 Māori Medium classes for Year 0 - 6 students. We aim to speak Te Reo Māori 50 - 80% of the time and our core literacy subjects (oral language, reading and writing) are mainly delivered in Te Reo Māori. We place emphasis on Kaupapa Māori, pūrakau, whakapapa, kapahaka, tikanga and work to uphold our school values and high learning expectations. If this is a pathway you would like to explore for your tamaiti please come and see Whaea Callie or email callie.raureti@owhata.school.nz

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anytime. Your tamariki are able to make a transition to rūmaki anytime and we welcome all new students of all abilities in Te Reo Māori.



TE WHĀNAU A IRIRIKAPUA RŪMAKI LEARNING AT ŌWHATA SCHOOL

*Nga Kaiako o te whānau - Our
teaching team - Term 2.*

Rūma 2: Year 1 - 2 - Whaea
Lorraine Pukepuke.
A warm, friendly, culturally rich
introduction to school and rūmaki
learning.

lorraine.pukepuke@owhata.school.nz

Rūma 3: Year 3 - 4 - Whaea
Joanne Winiata.
Digital integration, culturally
responsive, inquisitive rūmaki
learning experiences.

joanne.winiata@owhata.school.nz

Rūma 1: Year 5 - 6 - Whaea
TeOarani Wilson and Matua Tyler
Pitau.
Traditional rūmaki learning
experiences, emphasis on speaking
Te Reo in a fluent capacity 50 -
80% of the time.

teoarani.wilson@owhata.school.nz
tyler.pitau@owhata.school.nz

Their biggest fan: Whaea Callie
Raureti (supporting all classes,
tamariki, whānau and kaiako)
callie.raureti@owhata.school.nz

Our values - Nga whanonga pono:

In alignment with our school values,
we foster and encourage:

Manaakitanga - Respect, kaiako
respect their ākonga, and ākonga
respect their kaiako and peers.
Together, we respect our whenua,
Papatūānuku.

Patapātai - Inquiry, high order
thinking, high quality learning in a
Māori context. We speak Te Reo
Māori 50 - 80% of our time at
school. We scaffold ākonga from
where they're at with their prior
knowledge (kete) and provide
expertise in two languages.

Mana Tangata - Integrity, showing
integrity in all that we do. Modelling
good choices and actions. Fostering
leadership.

Kairangatira - Excellence,
achieving our goals and celebrating
progress. An overall indicator in
success is one's own level of
excellence.

Our goals - Nga whāinga

**All ākonga in Te Whānau a
Iririkapua should feel:**

- o A sense of belonging
- o Culturally enriched
- o Like leaders and role models
for other students
- o Learning success and
achievement
- o Valued in our whānau
- o Connected to their
Māoritanga through various
modes
- o Connected to their learning
and progress - ākonga
should have agency in their
learning
- o Relevance - what we teach
and research should be
relevant to our ākonga
- o Pride - in who we are
- o Ownership of their kura and
their learning
- o Supported spiritually,
mentally, physically
- o Whānau matters!
- o Loved - Nui te aroha!

*E te rangatira, a Matua Shaun, moe mai I to moengaroa - We dedicate the values and vision of Iririkapua to you,
our friend. Thank you for your aroha, manaakitanga and most importantly, your friendship with staff and students
alike.*

Transition to Rūmaki:

For information or support in starting
and transitioning to our rūmaki, please
feel free to contact:
callie.raureti@owhata.school.nz



Nau mai, haere mai!



FOR A DIGITAL COPY OF THIS BROCHURE, PLEASE EMAIL WHAEA CALLIE.

OFOTS - School Disco



OFOTS (Ōwhata Friends of the School) will be having a disco on **Tuesday 2nd July**
- Week 10. This will be held during the day time, 11am - 12.30pm. There is no cost
to attend the disco - we will have kai for sale at the disco. Our **junior tamariki** will
have the option to pre-order their kai to avoid handling money and lining up.

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Sports Information

Huge congratulations to our Rippa Rugby tamariki (middle and senior) who travelled to Paengaroa last Friday with Matua Jared and Matua Trevaan. The tamariki were amazing ambassadors of our kura and played so well. Matua Jared commented on their sportsmanship and positive behaviour - We are so proud!



Junior School Cross Country will be on Thursday 20 June 2019, and this event will be run here at Owhata and using our school grounds. This is for 5, 6 and 7 year old tamariki.

Netball - season has begun and we have two teams this year. Please if haven't paid already, our netball fees is \$35, we would appreciate payment as soon as possible.

Miniball - we have had a delay in miniball as the Rotorua Sportsdrome has being used for other events. Draws will be out this coming week as courts are available from 20 May 2019. This year Owhata has 3 teams, Juniors, Middies and Seniors.

Email Whaea Lorraine: lorraine.pukepuke@owhata.school.nz (sports-coordinator)

Book Character Day

On 3rd July, we will be having a book character day. Our tamariki are invited to dress up as their favourite book character to celebrate and encourage reading. We will also be having our Duffy Book assembly on the same day and tamariki will receive their books they have ordered. There is no cost!

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Nacho Day - This Friday 21st June

Mokoia MANA Netball team are holding another fundraiser for AIMS games. They have invited our tamariki to order a NACHO lunch this Friday for \$5. You may order these at the office anytime this week - order from Whaea Sue!



Freedom - Room 1 - Tautoko mai whānau!

Kia ora - Whaea Ngāhuia (Freedom's mum Rm 1) is doing healthy option kai fundraiser for her son. She prepares all kai at school ready for lunchtime **every FRIDAY** until the end of the term. The proceeds go towards Freedom's trip to USA to compete in the Brazilian Jiu Jitsu World Championships. Feel free to come and purchase kai or send some coins with your tamariki on a Friday 😊

Rāangi Kai - Menu:

- \$4 Nourish Bowl - Mixed berries, Greek yoghurt, water, homemade Granola, Organic Maple Syrup, Dates, Cranberries, chia seeds and banana.**
- \$3 Raw Snickers Slice - Coconut Oil, Almonds, Cocoa, Dates, Peanut butter**
- \$2 Grilled Sausage Sizzle - bread, onion and tomato sauce**

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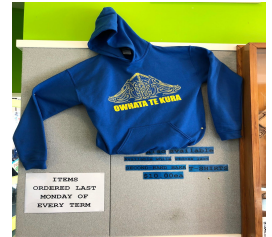
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\$50c Muffins - (all sorts)

School Hoodies - Last day to order is Monday 1st July

If you would like to order a school hoodie or t-shirt, please do so by Monday 1st July. Next orders will be at the end of next term.

Please see Whaea Sheryll in the office to place an order. It's awesome to see our tamariki and staff wearing their hoodies! Given that these are also NAMED, losing it is almost impossible!



Kindness - Manaakitanga

We are a PB4L school (Positive Behaviour for Learning) -

We do not tolerate bullying of any kind - If you are concerned about your child please follow these steps:

- Visit your child's classroom teacher for a kōrero and see if the issue can be resolved
- Arrange a meeting with the team leader if you feel you need extra support
- See our Associate Principals or Principal - feel free to contact Mr. Stiles, Whaea Robyn or Whaea Callie if there is an ongoing matter

We foster a sense of belonging in our school and all tamariki deserve to feel safe and valued.

Helping out in the Hub!

Hub 1 and 2 are looking for interested whānau who would like to help out in the class during 'Play Zone'. The focus during this time is on learning through play. We would love to have some whānau involvement, working with our tamariki as they explore, experiment, discover and solve problems in imaginative and playful ways. Play Zone runs Tuesday to Thursday mornings. If you are available to help out, please see Matua Jeremy, Whaea Katie or Whaea Emma in the Hubs.

Big thanks to Larissa Ashby and Maggie Yorke for joining our team last week! Your help is much appreciated!

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Walking to School – Crossing the Road

We had a few phone calls last week from concerned members of the public who saw Ōwhata School tamariki crossing Te Ngae Road unsafely. If your tamaiti uses the crossing on Te Ngae please talk to them about doing so carefully. It is a busy road and before and after school are peak traffic times. We care about the safety of all of our awesome tamariki and would be very sad if there was an accident. Kia tūpato!



Attendance 2019

We are currently looking at attendance for all tamariki to ensure good attendance is maintained. **It is very important that tamariki are at school every day** to keep up with their learning and engagement. We excuse justified absences ie, whānau matters, tangi, illness etc however, regular absences and lateness will be followed up. We want to support whānau in this area, so let us know if there are ways we can help ensure regular attendance.

Social Media



It has come to our attention that **several of our students are using social media** platforms such as Facebook, Snapchat, Messenger and other apps that connects them with other students and in some cases, **strangers**. For some of these apps, there are **age restrictions**. In our experience, social media apps can be somewhat misused and can cause some issues around bullying. PLEASE monitor your child/ren closely when it comes to social media. Check restrictions on devices

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and PLEASE talk with your child/ren about their everlasting digital footprint. Keep our tamariki safe! **We do not allow cellphones at school.**



Bell Times:	School Uniform:
<p>8.55am - 10.30am: Morning learning block (milk bell at 10.15am) 10.30am - 11am: Morning tea 11am - 12.45pm: Middle learning block 12.45pm - 1.30pm: Lunchtime 1.30pm - 2.55pm: Afternoon learning block</p> <p>If students are going to be absent or late please notify the school office (07) 345 6051. If students are collected from school early for any reason please sign them out at the office. These are safety measures.</p>	<p>The Warehouse Rotorua stock our school uniform. At times we have second hand stock available at school. OFOTS (Whānau Support Group) have introduced school hoodies and quick-dry t-shirts which can be personalised with a printed name. We accept tamariki wearing these items at school. WINZ quotes also accepted. Come in and chat with Sue Walls (office) or Sheryll Strickett.</p> <p>Terms 1 and 4 are our SUNSMART terms and all students are required to wear a sunhat - we do not restrict this to school brimmed hats, however a brimmed hat is preferred.</p>

Lunches

We have Ka Pai Kai available Mon - Thursday. On the occasional Friday we also do sausage sizzle orders - our teachers will keep you posted if there is a sausage sizzle coming up!

Lunch orders can be made at the office before the morning bell and will be delivered to classes at 12.45pm. We provide Kidscan lunches for tamariki who need lunch - just ask the teacher if we can help you.



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Transition to School - Preschoolers

Ōwhata School runs a Transition to School Programme each week, Wednesday afternoons, 12.30pm - 2.55pm. We offer a pick-up from ECE or home if local. We welcome 4 ½ year olds to attend and can also offer mainstream or rumaki reo (Te Reo Māori immersion). Please come and see our friendly coordinator, Whaea Miriama Walker or Junior Team Leader, Emma Coleman.

Parking and Drop-off Zones

As a courtesy, **please do not use the staff car park** for dropping tamariki at school and picking up at the end of the day. There is roadside parking available at the top end of Brent Road and on Scott Ave. There is a drop-off zone at the front of our school. Please avoid using Mokoia's drop-off zone. Reminder that we have a **FREE** school bus from Pōhutukawa Drive area - see Mr. Stiles or Matua Peter if you are interested in utilising this service for your tamariki.



Magic Moments & Celebrations!



Week 8 - Student of the Week recipients.

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Week 7 - Junior awards.



Te Whānau a Iriirikapua - Matariki awards.

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Rippa Rugby awards.



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Wellbeing Services We Offer

We now have several support services we can offer whānau in a range of areas, particularly health and wellbeing. It is important to us that we do our best to provide extra support for our Ōwhata whānau. If you need support in these areas, please contact us, or pop in and have a chat with Matua Bob, or any of our staff for more information.

- **Nurse in school** EVERY TUESDAY 10am - 1pm. This is a drop-in service so no appointment necessary! Leesa King and Paekiri Vercoe are the lovely Nurses can support with: **Dental, Eczema, Skin Infections, Asthma, Allergies, Wetting, Soiling, Vision and hearing problems, Mental illness and Immunisation.** Children learn best when they are healthy and feel good about themselves.
- **Social worker** available on a Wednesday afternoon, 1.30pm - 3pm. Again, this is a drop-in service, come and meet Paula!
- **Full Puku = Full Potential** - helping to REDUCE the number of tamariki at school with no kai. If you need support of this kind, please do not hesitate to contact Kahira on (027) 739 3959
- **Across-Cluster Teacher** - Readiness to Learn. Whaea Callie is working with our partnering schools to support whānau and student engagement. If you are having any difficulties with attendance or general school engagement, including transition to school, please do not hesitate to contact callie.raureti@owhata.school.nz to arrange a chat



Tots to Teens Magazine!

In case you don't know us, Tots to Teens magazine is a free community parenting resource for Kiwi families. We focus on positive, well-researched parenting advice to support children's reading, learning, behaviour, nutrition, health, well-being, and resilience. We have distributed 550,000 free magazines nationwide each year to families through schools, preschools, libraries, and Plunket for over 17 years. To help support more New Zealand families, we are now producing Tots to Teens as a free digital

magazine, using new technology that ensures an easy-to-read experience for parents, particularly for those parents who read emails using their phone. We want to make it easier for parents to read our helpful articles, and we're doing this by

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making it simple to share the Tots to Teens digital magazine in your school newsletters and emails to parents. Link: <http://issue1904n.totstoteens.co.nz/18/>

Contact us - Keep updated!

Ways we like to keep in touch:

School Newsletter:

We are now sending this home digitally and will upload to to our Facebook Page. Paper copies are often lost or misplaced. With a strong focus on the environment this year, it is also a good opportunity for us a school to monitor our use of paper materials and encourage recycling! **Please make sure your email address is up to date at the school office.**



Class DOJO:

Our teachers upload photos and videos of daily learning and activities. Please connect with your child's class DOJO!

Owhata Primary School Facebook Page:

Please like our page to receive quick updates. We also upload photos, videos and reminders about events.



Our Website:

This is where we keep our general information and contact information. Feel free to visit www.owhata.school.co.nz

Do you need help getting the internet at home?

Over the past two years we have connected many of our whānau to the internet with the support of Ngā Pūmanawa e Waru. We are able to source a prepaid modem that will allow you to check our DOJO, Facebook and School Newsletters.

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Trap Library Open day

Would you like a **FREE** predator trap?

Come along to one of our
open day locations and
become a member
of our trapping library!

Trapping Predators in and
around your home will
make a huge difference to
our natural environment!

When: Sunday 23rd June 2019

9am-12pm @ Mokoia Community Hall

1pm-3pm @ Hannahs Bay (Green shed/HBHQ)

In case you're wondering why you should be involved, here's a few facts on predators.....

- 1 rat will kill up to 50 native birds in its life time!
- Stoats can take out eggs/chicks and adult birds in one nest attack!
- Rats and mice can transmit several serious diseases to humans.

Look forward to seeing you at our trapping library! For more information please contact Te Pae on: 02108544150 or find us on FB- Tatau Pounamu Predator Free!



Are you looking for something to do out and about!

Here at Mokoia Community Association, we are always looking for volunteer newspaper deliverers. The commitment is only one hour a month and it's something nice to go out and do with your whanau or mates.

Our monthly newsletter is distributed to just under 4000 homes a month and we need some help getting the word about with what's happening in our community.

We have all different runs all over Eastside and would love to have more people come and contribute to our community. If you are interested just email admin@mokoia.org.nz and what area you live in. Short term or long term the help will always be appreciated



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Our Maori All Blacks are versing Fiji, what a wonderful opportunity for our community.

This is a perfect end to the school holidays! Get ready for some unmissable rugby action coming to Rotorua! The Maori All Blacks are set to take on the Flying Fijians at Rotorua International Stadium July 20th. Grab your tickets, and surprise the kids with a trip to the game. Tickets from Ticketek at allblacks.com (link <http://bit.ly/2HoJqWo>).



Do you know a girl who would like to have fun and learn new skills as part of an up to date organisation in your local area?

If so, GirlGuiding NZ is here:

Pippins: 5 & 6 year olds

Brownies: 7 – 9 ½ years old

Guides: 9 – 12 ½ years old

Rangers: 12 – 17 years old

For further information please contact: GirlGuiding New Zealand

www.girlguidingnz.org.nz

0800 22 22 92

info@girlguidingnz.org.nz

ST JOHN YOUTH ROTORUA

St John Youth programmes help young New Zealanders aged between 6 and 18 to develop first aid, health care, leadership and life skills.

Young people who experience our programmes gain confidence and empathy, as well as knowledge and leadership skills. Some continue their relationship with St John when they become adults.

Mondays during school terms at the St John Ambulance Hall, Pererika St.

Juniors 5:45pm - 7:15 pm

Intermediates and Seniors 7:00pm - 8:30pm.

To find out more about joining St John Youth visit:

<https://youth.stjohn.org.nz> or 0800785646 or craig.elpick@stjohn.org.nz

You are welcome to come along and have a look.

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