



“Owhata Pride”



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Merry Christmas



From the Principal and staff we would like to wish all our families a very Merry Christmas and a safe and happy New Year.

VISION STATEMENT

At Owhata School we will be independent, inquiring, life long learners, able to communicate and participate effectively.

MISSION STATEMENT

Owhata School provides a strong foundation for learning and living. We empower, inspire, respect and challenge.





Tena koutou katoa
Nga mihi nui kia koutou katoa!

We would like to welcome the following children to Owhata Primary School:

***Pelenisi Kairau-Siaosi, Year 6, Room 7
Teana Carroll-Singh, Year 1, Room 20***

P RINCIPAL AWARDS

Kohine Mallinson-Haimona of Room 5 for showing integrity. Doing the right thing to help a younger student.
Kelly Malcolm, Evita McDonald, Courtney Short, Traci Benson and Animata Te Runa of Room 6 for great writing.
Riley Borthwick, Douglas Eparaima, Christine Edwards, Te Amo Mansell and Poppie Young of Room 8 for excellence. 100% in their Basic Facts test +, -,

Q UOTE OF THE WEEK

Knowledge talks, wisdom listens.

Jimi Hendrix

E ND OF YEAR CONCERT AND PRIZEGIVING

Once again we are having our senior prizegiving and end of year concert in the Convention Centre. We are holding it there so that we can accommodate the entire whanau and it also gives our children the opportunity to perform in a much bigger venue.

There is a gold coin donation at the door, this covered half of our costs last year.

Please make sure you have your children at the Convention Centre from 5.30pm, as we wish to start at 6pm sharp.

If you can't get your child there please can you let your child's teacher know so that we can organise a ride.

B OXING CELEBRATION ASSEMBLY

On the last day of term we will combine our boxing celebration assembly with the end of the year. Come along and support your tamariki.

D ATES TO REMEMBER

12 December Senior Prizegiving/Eng of Year Concert
Rotorua Convention Centre
14 December Year six lunch
15 December Last day of school

31 January 2012 First day of School

M OKOIA ENROLMENTS

If you have not enrolled your Year 6 child yet and intend on him/her attending Mokoia Intermediate, please return the enrolment forms as soon as possible. Mrs Little is working on class placements and needs these forms in order to place children in the appropriate class and where possible with friends.

M OKOIA BILINGUAL UNIT INFORMATION SESSION

Whaea Te Aroha and Miss Little will be giving a brief presentation in Room 3 on Tuesday at 3.15pm for all those parents who may be interested in placing their children in the bilingual unit at Mokoia next year.

Children from mainstream are welcome in the unit too as well as children from the bilingual unit.

P ARENT INTERVIEWS

Thank you to everyone who attended their child's interview.
We had a great turnout.

If you were not able to make it please contact your child's teacher as soon as possible for an appointment.

We support a Smoke Free Environment





ROTORUA MUSIC SCHOOL

Rotorua Music School Enrolment day

January 24th 5.30-7.00

Western Height High School Hall

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Room	Who	What For
1	Super Sensible Sam	Trying her hardest with everything she does.
3	Robert Walter-Jones	Making a great effort in Room 3.
4	Genesis Pakuru, Anzio Ryan and Aaliyah Ututaonga	Showing whanaungatanga all year and being the perfect role models for our class. We all are going to miss you.
5	Jasmine Savage	An outstanding year.
6	All of Room 6	Working together for their inquiry topics.
7	Billie - Rose Morgan Hunter Ericsson	Going the extra-mile helping with shelving library books, road patrol. Excellent artwork.
8	Riley Borthwick	Working really hard all year. Well done.
19	Henare Lingman-Raroa	Working so hard it his reading this term.

T HE GLOBAL EXPERIENCE—LIVE IT AT HOME

In January 2012 students from over 20 countries around the world will be arriving in New Zealand to study at local high schools for 5 or 10 months.

Opportunities exist for families to act as a host family, in a volunteer capacity. Hosting can be on a temporary, short or long term basis. Host families help provide international students with the chance to study and experience life in New Zealand. This is a great way to learn about another country and culture, establish a lifelong link to a family in another country and contribute to international goodwill.

If your family can offer a friendly, supportive and caring home environment, contact us today.

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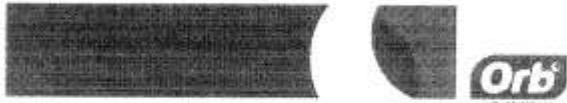
Have a safe and happy holiday and see you all next year, cheers, Bob Stiles

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