



School Newsletter, Week 4, Term 1

22nd February 2019

Important Dates:

7th March - House Day (dress in house colours)
 1st -5th April - Noho Marae Week (in teams)
 10th April - Interschool Swimming Sports
 12th April - Last day of Term 1, 2.55pm finish
Fundraisers to support Noho Marae:
 8th March - SAUSAGE SIZZLE \$1 - order in class
 15th March - MUFTI DAY, Gold coin koha
 29th March - MUFTI DAY Gold coin koha

School Focus - Term 1

Kaupapa Matua: Te Taiao - The Environment
Term Value: Respect - Manaakitanga
Key Competency: Relating to others
Emphasis on: Local history and the changes in our environment over time; through a Māori perspective with a science/social science focus.

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Korero from Mr. Stiles (Principal / Tumuaki)

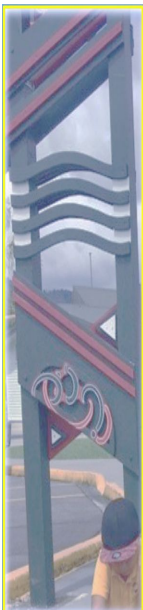
Ténā Koutou Katoa,

A warm Ōwhata welcome to our new tamariki and whānau. It has been a great few weeks since returning to school and I would like to thank our tamariki, whānau, staff and community for their ongoing support. We had an awesome 'Meet the Teacher', event - an enjoyable, engaging afternoon for all involved! Remember, you are more than welcome to come and visit our kura, kaiako, and classes anytime. If you need to discuss any matters with our teaching staff, please arrange a time with us.

We are hoping to expand our OFOTS (Ōwhata Friends of the School) team this year. We have many ideas and initiatives that we would like to build on however, we need your support and manaakitanga. Our OFOTS team welcomes all whānau members and are a warm and friendly group. If you are new to Rotorua, this could be a way to connect with whānau and community. There are meetings as needed, but no more than once a term. Over the past 5 years, OFOTS have done many fundraising activities and supported school kaupapa. If you would like to join the team or know more come and visit or email any of our staff to express an interest.

Bob Stiles.

Celebrating Our Tamariki - Students of the Week!





Meet Some of our School Leaders!



Meet our student librarians for 2019. These students have attended meetings and trainings and now have their librarian badges. It is awesome to see our seniors taking on responsibilities and showing leadership!



These are our some of our senior ākonga who have volunteered to be road patrollers 2019, and have completed the necessary training with Rotorua Police. Awesome leadership koutou! Thank you for helping to keep us safe!

Reporting System - from 2019!

Year level	Anniversary Reporting					Calendar Reporting							
	Year 0 - 1		Year 2			Year 3		Year 4		Year 5		Year 6	
Weeks at school	6 -8 weeks	20 weeks	40 weeks	60 weeks	End of the school year	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Months Years at school	After 1 ½ months at school	After 6 months at school	After 1 year at school	After 1 ½ years at school	After 2 years at school (ish)	Mid school year	End of school year	Mid school year	End of school year	Mid school year	End of school year	Mid school year	End of school year
Report type	Beginning Report	Learning profile	Anniversary Learning profile	Learning Profile	EOY Report	Progress Report	EOY Report	Progress Report	EOY Report	Progress Report	EOY Report	Progress Report	EOY Report

This table outlines when you can expect Learning Stories or Reports about your child's learning. For some of our junior tamariki, Year 0 - 2, there are reporting times coming up. Our teachers will request a meeting time with you to discuss Kete Mātauranga (Learning Profiles), reports and a current Learning Story.

Meet Our Public Health Nurse



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*My name is Paekiri Vercoe and I am a registered nurse, who will be working in your school **every second Tuesday** or when needed. The Public Health Nurses (PHN) in the Rotorua area is assigned primary and intermediate schools where we work closely with the teachers and staff. We are available to support children, young people and their families to navigate through health care, social agencies and services. We can also provide health information and advice. We work closely with schools as well as visiting families and whānau in their homes for follow up and helping them access the support they need.*

*We help with many child health issues, including: **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.*

Please contact the school office/teacher if you have any concerns about your child's health and development.

Alternatively contact the Public Health Nurse office on: 07 3437747.

Meet Our Piripoho Nurse

The Eastside Community Collective in conjunction with Lakes District Health Board and Owhata Surgery have developed a Community Nurse role for the Rotorua Eastside community. In line with our Eastside Child Friendly initiative, we are implementing a wrap-around service to whanau requiring different forms of assistance on the Eastside. This is to reduce the potential harm our children and young people are experiencing while supporting them to feel safe and happy in their family, neighbourhood and wider community.

The word "Piripoho" reflects the love; the embracing; the nurturing and protection a mother provides her pepe. The "Piripoho Nurse" is one of the many roles and services involved in the collaboration to achieve this wrap around approach for our whanau. Although the Piripoho Nurse will focus primarily on health issues, such as sore throats, skin infections, head lice, ear aches etc we can provide medication free of charge, follow up with parents and can refer children for specialised treatment if this is required.

As Registered Nurses, Leesa and Renee are providing outreach / home visits, free weekly drop in clinics at Owhata Surgery (for 0-18 year old) and nursing clinics in 12 early childhood education centres in the eastside community. In addition to our mahi, we endeavour to provide this service to the tamariki within the primary schools in our community. We can also provide health resources for common childhood health issues and notify the school of these trends as they arise within our community.

We are very flexible and are able to hold clinics or see tamariki as often as required. If you are interested in implementing this service or would like to know more, please feel free to contact us at any time. Leesa will be working from Owhata School on a Tuesday morning until the end of term at this stage. Alternating with our Public Health Nurse.





**For Whānau,
These lovely nurses will be available for a free consultation every **TUESDAY 10am - 12.45pm** on an alternating schedule. This means we have a nurse here every week! If you require any support or advice, please come to our hall lounge. This is not restricted to students only, bring your whānau and babies!**

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 Maxina Karaka (OFOTS Chairperson). 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>

School Pool: Our pool will be open on Monday 25th for our tamariki! Thanks Pete!

Important Message!

SPORTS UNIFORMS

Kia ora Whanau, we have quite a few outstanding sports uniforms that need to be brought back to school. If you have netball dresses, touch uniforms, sports shorts etc, please can we have them returned immediately. Fast 15 whānau!! If you are the fast 15 whānau who bring sports uniforms in, your name will go into the draw to win a steam pudding! Bring the sports uniforms into the school office. Whanau if you know ex students and whanau, please get the word out to them also.



Sports	Lunches	Swimming
<p>TOUCH RUGBY WEDNESDAY EVENINGS We would like all players to have their touch fees paid by the end of this week please. If your child needs transport please let our staff know. Nau mai haere mai and come and see Whaea Keiha, Whaea Renee, Matua Trevaan and Matua Peter.</p> <p>GEYSER GIRLS QUAD SERIES CRICKET Friday afternoons 4 - 6pm \$2 per game at Warwick Drive Reserve, Lynmore (Next to the Bowling club). Mr Christoffersen has given out notices for this initiative to some Year 5 and 6 girls. If you have are an expert of cricket and wish to support please come in and see Mr C.</p> <p>ISPORT FOUNDATION (Inspiring youth through sport to create a brighter future for young people) https://isport.org.nz/ Along with NZ Police - Constable Viv and Isport foundation will be coming to Owhata School on Tuesday 26 February 2019 at 9.30am.</p> <p>I think 🤔 we could be getting some sport equipment. 👍</p> <p>Whaea Lorraine. lorraine.pukepuke@owhata.school.nz</p>	<p>We have Ka Pai Kai available Mon - Thursday. A full lunch list with prices will be included with this newsletter - see the following pages. 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.</p> <div data-bbox="630 793 993 850" data-label="Image"></div> <p>REMINDER:</p> <p>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 😊</p> <p>Rārangi Kai – Menu:</p> <p>\$4 Nourish Bowl – Mixed berries, Greek yoghurt, water, homemade Granola, Organic Maple Syrup, Dates, Cranberries, chia seeds and banana.</p> <p>\$3 Raw Snickers Slice – Coconut Oil, Almonds, Cocoa, Dates, Peanut butter</p> <p>\$2 Grilled Sausage Sizzle – bread, onion and tomato sauce</p> <p>\$50c Muffins - (all sorts)</p>	<p>It has been wonderful to see many of our tamariki utilising our swimming pool, particularly with the recent weather! We are committed to teaching the basic skills of swimming as we believe it is important to feel confident in and around the water. Please encourage your tamariki to bring their togs and a towel (named) for swimming days - usually every 2nd day. At times our pool is closed for maintenance and repairs but our teachers will keep you posted.</p> <div data-bbox="1062 709 1487 1003" data-label="Image"></div>



Our House Groups and the history behind their names

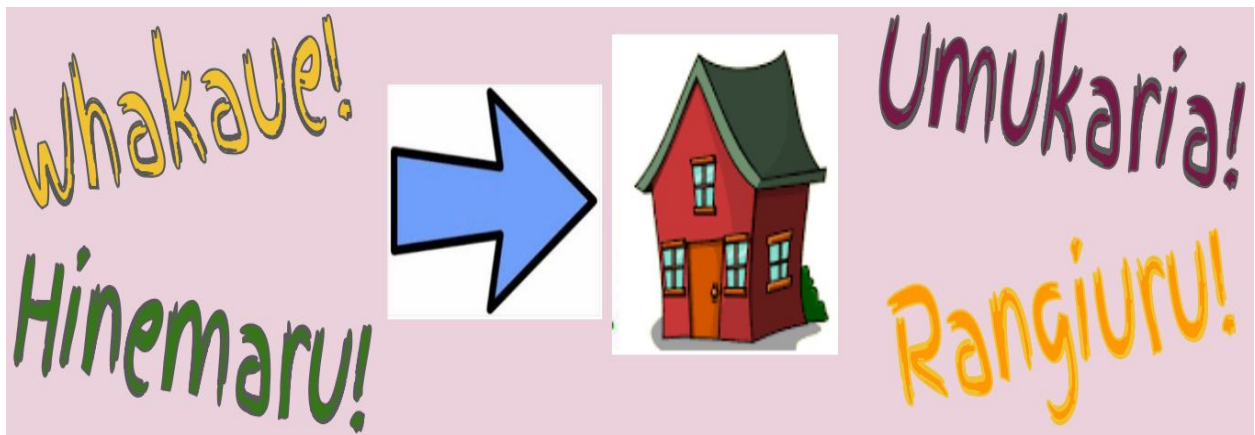
Whakapapa - Hinemoa and Tūtānekai



Our houses are the parents, or *mātua* of Hinemoa and Tūtānekai, prominent ancestors, particularly in Te Arawa. Our school Marae is Owhata Marae, therefore we all make close links with the history of this area. The colour surrounding the respective ingoa (name), is the colour for that house group. Ask your tamaiti/tamariki which house group they represent! Siblings are placed in the same house groups.

Whānau Challenge! Are you up for it?

Can you solve the picture riddle? Come up with an answer and email it to callie.raureti@owhata.school or comment on our school Facebook Page. You will go in the draw to win a **\$20 Mad Butcher voucher!**





Noho Marae 2019

Our students will be participating in a Noho Marae this year as we do each year. We value this experience for our tamariki as we are able to experience learning outside the classroom and use this time to build relationships with our peers and teachers. Our learning this year is very much centred around our local environment and our pepeha so this visit will be an opportunity to capitalise on our learning. We do require whānau help during this Marae stay so if you think you may be interested in coming along and spending time with us please have a chat with your child's class teacher. This year we will be going in team groups: Junior, Middle, Senior, Iriirikapua (Rumaki). Dates below:



April 1st - 2nd: Iriirikapua (Rooms 1, 2 and 3)

April 2nd - 3rd: Senior school (Rooms 5 and 13)

April 3rd - 4th: Junior school (Hub 1, Hub 2, Rooms 4 and 9)

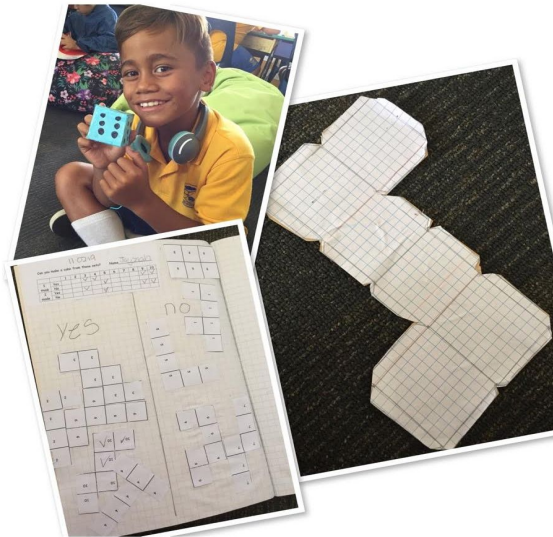
April 4th - 5th: Middle school (Rooms 6, 8 and 10)

Our teams will send out more detailed information specific to your child's Noho Marae. If you have any questions or concerns come in and see our friendly staff! Please note - **there is no charge for Noho Marae however, we do ask for a packet of biscuits or tinned fruit/spaghetti to help with supplies and we welcome a GOLD COIN KOHA - no more than \$5 which can be brought to the office** to help with cost of hiring the Marae.

Attendance

We are monitoring attendance more closely this year. It is a goal of ours to have 100% attendance from all tamariki. Of course, sickness and whānau matters are an exception. Absence without reason or regular absences and lateness can have an impact on learning progress. If you are having difficulty getting to school, please let us know. **Attendance = Achievement!**

Magic Moments



For maths I had to find which one would make a cube. I picked number 10 net and enlarged it. I put it on cardboard and cut it. Then I had to fold it and glued it together to make a cube and now I have a dice.





Contact us - Keep updated!

Ways we like to keep in touch:

School Newsletter (fortnightly):

We are now sending this home digitally and will upload 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!

Ōwhata 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.

Transition to school for 4 year old tamariki: If you have a 4 year old and you think Ōwhata might be the place for them please contact Callie Raureti callie.raureti@owhata.school.nz

Junior resources: If you have any spare tools, hammers, screws, box wood, ply wood that our tamariki can use to build and create with, can you please drop off at the office or come and see Whaea Callie - would be so appreciated!



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2019 Term Dates

Term 1: 29th Jan - 12th April
Waitangi Day 6th Feb (school closed)

Term 2: 29th April - 5th July
Queen's Birthday 3rd June (school closed)

Term 3: 22nd July - 27th Sept

Term 4: 14th Oct - 12th Dec
Labour Day 28th October (school closed)

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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

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Register now for your local NZF Skills Centre using the details provided below and we will help you be the best footballer you can be!

START/FINISH DATE:	Monday 25th February – Monday 8th April
NUMBER OF WEEKS:	7 weeks
DAY / TIME:	Mondays 4pm – 5pm (9yr Boys & 9/10yr Girls) 5pm – 6pm (10yr Boys & 11/12yr Girls) 6pm – 7pm (11-12yr Boys)

LOCATION:	Neil Hunt Park
COST:	\$75 per player for 7 weeks



To register please

[CLICK HERE](#)



To enquire about your local NZF Skills Centre please contact:

Email: rotoruaunitedskillcentre@gmail.com

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2019 Whakarewarewa JAB Muster



FRIDAY 1ST MARCH, 5.30PM-7.30PM
SATURDAY 2ND MARCH, 10AM-1PM
FRIDAY 8TH MARCH, 5.30PM-7.30PM

LOCATION: WHAKA CLUB ON TE NGAE RD

\$30 PER PLAYER & \$15 FOR ADDITIONAL SIBLINGS

Pay by the 8th March and receive a free Whaka Mouthguard, Whaka Socks & Black Playing Shorts

Contact: Jodi Hepburn 02102122244 or Debra Hayes 0220488347



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