



Kia ora

Welcome back to term 4. The term has started well with some warmer weather arriving. On Monday, we welcomed six new students to school. They have made a great start, thanks to the warm welcome our children give to new students. As always, the term will be busy. Teachers have begun assessing the progress your children have made over the year and are starting to write end-of-year reports. Our last day for this term is Tuesday, 16th December.

Athletics Day

The weather forecast for next **Thursday, 16th October**, is looking good. You should have a note coming home explaining the day. We are looking forward to some great fun and the building of competitive attitudes alongside great sportsmanship. If you can come along and support your children we would encourage this.

Policy Reviews

This term, we have some important policies to review. Please follow the link below to support us in reviewing our policies. This term, the following Policies are up for review.

Bullying and harassment, Behaviour management, Searches, Surrender, and Retention of property, Minimising Physical Restraint, Stand-down, Suspension, and Exclusion, Staff Well-being and Safety. Please follow the link

<https://pembroke.schooldocs.co.nz/> "Login **Pembroke** Password **real**" The link can also be found on our Website.

Strike

We have informally been notified that all NZEI (Education Union) staff, principals, teachers and teacher aides will be on strike on **Thursday October 23rd**. This will mean the school will have to close as there will not be sufficient staff to keep the school open.

Why are we striking?

We want a fair pay offer that will encourage more people to become teachers and stay in teaching. We are asking for better resourcing so we can give support to children who need it. We want investment in external services to support students with additional needs. We want a change to how support staff (teacher aides) are funded and given job security. Principals have not even received an offer from the Government after months of bargaining.

We appreciate that a strike upsets routines and has an impact on families. We would appreciate it if you could let your local MP Miles Anderson waitaki.mp@parliament.govt.nz Ph 03 4347325 and the Minister of Education Erica Stanford E.Stanford@ministers.govt.nz know that a decent offer should be given to Principals, teachers and support staff.

Touch

Touch starts next Tuesday. Thank you for your support with our teams.

Nga Mihi

Brent Godfery

Principal

ARCHERY

Oamaru Archers are starting their sseason at the **N.O. A&P Showgrounds (Ettrick St)** from 4 - 6 pm. We would love everyone to come along and learn Archery and enjoy a friendly and safe experience. All gear is supplied, Bows, Arrows etc and you are welcome to bring your own equipment if you wish. Instruction will be available. Please like **Oamaru Archers** are on FB. We alternate between Sunday and Thursday for our meets and this is always posted on our site. For more info **Contact John McCabe 027 371 0387**

Giggle Corner: This weeks joke is from a big softie!

What kind of socks do
Grizzlies wear?

None they have Bear feet!!



Be Kind to Your Mind Mental Health Resilience

Women's Conference

10-12 October 2025

Oamaru Salvation Army

Julia Grace

Educator of the Year 2022
Break Through Speaker of Year 2022



\$50.00 Registration for full conference or \$15.00 per session.
Costs include refreshments. Meals own responsibility.

Register online or contact office for more information. Ph: 03 434 8413

Session times: Friday: 7pm

Saturday: 10am, 2pm & 6.30pm.

<https://www.eventbookings.com/b/event/be-kind-to-your-mind-oamaru-women-s-conference?occurrence=ae403a>

Julia will also be speaking at The Salvation Army Church Service 10.30am Sunday 12th

Click QR Code to register



ALL YOUR CHILD NEEDS IS A DRINK AND MORNING TEA

Thankyou Pozzobon's



Happy Birthday to
Harper Gray, Tua Tawaketini,
Abhijot Maan, William Schmidt,
Oliver Frost & Emily Murdoch
we hope you all have a fabulous day!!!

Dates for your Diary
Tuesday 14th October—Touch begins
Thursday 16th October—Athletics Day
Thursday 23rd October—Strike day
Tuesday 16th December - Last day of term

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OR MAKING A
COMEBACK?**
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Mental Health Foundation
0800 131 131

Oamaru Helping Kids Out
We can provide:
Blankets, Clothing (from Newborn),
Footwear, Toys & Books.
All Donations are Welcome
If you know of any families who need our
help you can find us on facebook
Oamaru Helping Kids Out
www.facebook.com/
groups/743461274867700/
ALL GOODS HAVE BEEN DONATED



Oamaru Chinese Association
warmly invites the Chinese Community and friends

**MID - AUTUMN
FESTIVAL
POTLUCK DINNER**

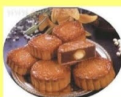
WHEN: Saturday, 11 October 2025

TIME: 6.00pm

VENUE: Fenwick School Hall
25 Arun Street, Oamaru
Hall Entrance is on Hull Street

SHARED MEAL - Please bring a plate of food to share
Bring your own plates and utensils

- Chinese Tea and Juice are provided
- Moon Cakes (variety) to share
- Fun and games to entertain
- Come and meet new and old friends



MORE INFO CONTACT:
Janice Burnett 027 441 7480 or
Sandra Tonkin 027 778 9753

Everyone's
Welcome

NORTH OTAGO
BASKETBALL
SUMMER
DEVELOPMENT
PROGRAMME
FOR ALL PLAYERS IN YEARS 4-8

6-WEEK PROGRAMME

\$60/PLAYER

FIRST SESSION

WEDNESDAY 8TH OCTOBER

Years 4-6: 3.30-4.30pm

Years 7-8: 4.30-5.45pm

REC CENTRE

SCAN QR CODE TO REGISTER OR CONTACT JACOB @
officer.nobasketball@gmail.com



NORTH OTAGO BASKETBALL
ASSOCIATION



ROAD METALS

Thank you for
Supporting
our Children.

