



OTAHUHU PRIMARY SCHOOL

"He wahi tutaki mo nga tamariki o te ao - A meeting place for the children of the world"

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Kia ora, Malo e lelei, Talofa lava, Namaste, Fakaalofa atu, Bula, Kia orana, Mauri, Nihao, Salam, Sawasdee, Kumusta Kayo, Hola, Xin chao, Vanakkam, Choum reap sor, Ming-gah-lah-bahr, Akkam, As-salaam 'alykum

Principal's Message:

Tena koutou e te whanau o Ōtāhuhu Primary School

As we come to the end of a busy and rewarding term, we want to take a moment to acknowledge the incredible work of our tamariki and teachers. It has been an incredibly busy term. This term's Inquiry topic, *Whakapuāwai – to flourish and grow*, has seen our students exploring personal growth, learning challenges, and the importance of nurturing our potential. It has been inspiring to see the creativity, curiosity, and resilience shown by our learners.

We also want to extend a huge congratulations to all our students for showing up each day with a positive attitude and giving their best. Your commitment to learning and being present at school every day is something to be proud of. We will acknowledge the 3 students who will win the scooter prize at our school assembly on Friday. The names will be drawn live at assembly and they must be present to win! The 3 classes who have the best attendance will have a movie afternoon next term. Ka rawe!

A special farewell goes to our amazing Deputy Principal, Mrs MacShane, who has won a Principal position at Mayfield School. We are incredibly proud of her achievement and grateful for her leadership, kindness, and dedication over the past 10 years. We have a special assembly for Mrs MacShane on Thursday at 9.30am. All parents are welcome to this event. We know she will continue to thrive and make a difference in her new role. Mayfield School will have a special pōwhiri for Mrs MacShane on Monday 14th July at 10.00am. A number of staff will attend this event.

As the school holidays approach, we wish all our families a safe and restful break. Take time to recharge, connect, and enjoy the moments that help us all *whakapuāwai* in our own ways. I look forward to welcoming all our tamariki back to school on the 14th July at 8.45am.

Ngā mihi nui and see you next term!

Whaea Jenny



Some snapshots from the Bilingual Hub farewell for Mrs MacShane



Important Dates for Term 2 & 3 2025

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	Farewell for Mrs MacShane
Thurs 26 June	OPS Whānau Engagement Project Meeting (with Whaea Tania in the Staffroom)
Fri 27 June	Whole School Assembly (Respect) + Last Day of Term 2 (reports go home)
Mon 14 July	First Day of Term 2
Wed 16 July	School Photos Day! 📷
Fri 18 July	Pōwhiri - new students/whānau
Wed 23 July	Bunnings Working Bee @ 9am - parent helpers welcome! 🌱
Fri 25 July	Whole School Assembly
Mon 28 July	Book Week! 📖
	School Board Meeting

Assembly Certificate Winners - Weeks 5 & 6

We had our most recent whole school assembly in Week 6 of Term 2. Our assemblies are always a great celebration and we welcome any whānau who wish to join. These students were awarded certificates for displaying the HEART Value **ATTITUDE**.

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Room 15: Prescott Mikaere & Falak Hussein
Room 16: Mataio Mataio & Jay Kawiti
Room 23: Zemirah Stowers & Conan Sihamau
Room 24: Tevita Havili & Ihsaan Shamim
Room 25: Avigh Sami & Taslyn Green-Thompson
Room 26: Ezer Sila & Casi Toleafoa
Room 27: Matthew Matakino & Leo Matakino

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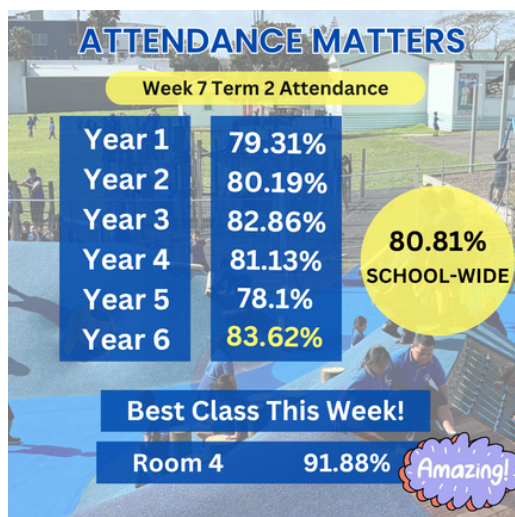
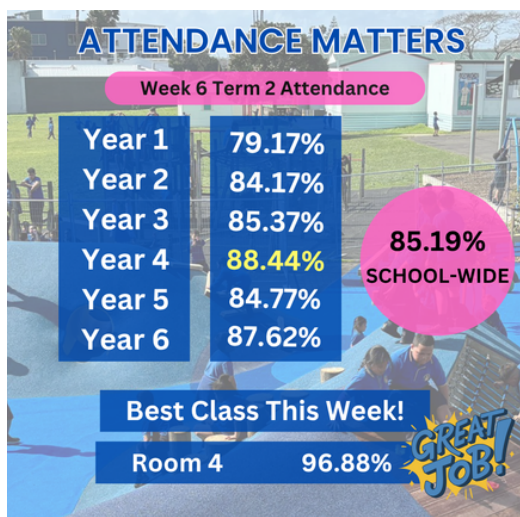
Room 5: Joshua Roko & Yozahn Tamihana
Room 6: Edris Bostani & Hao Mong
Room 7: Ramari Te Kani-Taylor & Fahad Hussein
Room 8: Aadil Irfaaz & Ariana Rao
Room 11: Shaiyaan Ali & Kiki Reihana
Room 12: Vaimoana Masila & Rahaf Alhamidi
Room 13: Vanesa Pal & Penitoa Tuipulotu
Room 14: Reign Kiro & Paulina Vatuinaruku

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Room 1: Dwayne Auvaa & La'auli Tausaga
Room 2: Serafina Dempsey & Charlotte Vaetoe
Room 3: Shekinah Saua & Charlottebrasia Moemai
Room 4: Faasu Lesatele & Hinkly Lesatele
Room 17 (jnr): Anahera Jones & Montana Ratahi Rudolph
Room 17 (snr): Zania Lemalu & Rocco Ariki-Nui
Room 19: Vaiola Lihau & Mele Hamala
Room 20: Robert Vaiangina & William Kauhenga
Room 21: Tevita Kauhenga & Lupe Hefa
Room 22: Rachel Funganuku & Tevita Tupou



Attendance Updates!



We look closely at attendance every week at OPS. You might have noticed that our attendance figures have dipped in the past few weeks as we battle changes in weather and health. If you have barriers to attending school every day, get in touch with the office and we can support you!



2025 Term Dates



Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Term 4
From: Tuesday, 28th January (Meet the Teacher Day) To: Friday, 11th April	From: Monday, 28th April To: Friday, 27th June	From: Monday, 14th July To: Friday, 19th September	From: Monday, 6th October To: Thursday, 11th December



Nga Mihi
Jenny Bernard
TUMUAKI / PRINCIPAL

Samoan Speech Competition



Well done to Kourtney, Jonathan, Lulu and Losivale from Room 4 who represented our school at the Samoan Speech Competition.

These competitions always bring out the best in our students, and we are so proud of how they performed and represented their heritage and culture!

Samoan Speech Competition

This Monday we had 2 wonderful actors from A Fool's Company come and share an exciting and educational show, 'Savvy and the Stolen Recycling'. They have partnered with Auckland Council to teach our tamariki about how to recycle properly and keep the bad bits out of our recycling bins. Ask your children about what they learned, they'll be able to run the recycling at your house!



Our interschool hockey team was out at Lloyd Elsmore Park competing in the MOSA tournament today.

Check out this advert from our local football club!



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TERM 3 REGISTRATIONS ARE OPEN!

Free
Fantail Principles

- ↑ Boost Confidence
- 🌸 Fun and enjoyment
- ✓ Develop life skills
- 💛 Build friendships
- 👤 Female role models
- 🏃 Improve skills and movement



Ages
4 to 8 years old
9 to 12 years old

GIRLS ONLY PROGRAMME

TERM 2 & TERM 3
Wednesdays
5:45pm to 6:30pm

Contact Tasha
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