



# OTAHUHU PRIMARY SCHOOL

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

**Newsletter No. 16 - 09/10/2025**

*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*

## Welcome to Term 4!

### Whānau Survey Voucher Winners

Thank you to everyone who filled out the whānau survey last term. This information is vital in forming the vision and strategic plans for our school, and we value your input in this process. We have randomly selected 5 names for our voucher winners.

**[Click here for video evidence!!](#)**

1. Huria Tapara
2. Mele Hamala
3. Tania Mikaio
4. Minakshi Prasad
5. Ataahua Lazarus

We will call these parents to share the good news with them.



### Term 4 EVENTS

We have a lot of great events coming up this term. Check out the next page and save these events in your calendar! Don't forget, you can also check for events on the Skool Loop calendar.


































### Term 3 Attendance Prizes

3 lucky families won some awesome sports prize packs (valued at \$250!) as part of our attendance draws.

These winners were announced during our online assembly at the end of Term 3 and their prizes were delivered by Matua Josh in the holidays. Well done to these families for getting their kids to school every day!

## Important Dates for Term 4 2025

<b>Week 1</b>	<b>Fri 10 Oct</b>	Pōwhiri for new whānau + Ōtāhuhu Schools Cultural Festival from 3-5pm - school hall 
<b>Week 2</b>	<b>Mon 13 Oct</b>	Year 6 Camp!! (all week) 
		Hindi Language Week (+ opening ceremony) 
	<b>Fri 17 Oct</b>	Whole School Assembly
		Hindi language closing ceremony
<b>Week 3</b>	<b>Mon 20 Oct</b>	Fiji, Niue & Other Languages Week 
		OIS Orientation Day (Year 6)
	<b>Tues 21 Oct</b>	Arataki Trip - Room 5 & 6 
	<b>Wed 22 Oct</b>	Arataki Trip - Room 3 & 19 
		Interschool Cross Country 
	<b>Thurs 23 Oct</b>	Scheduled Strike Day - School Closed
<b>Week 4</b>	<b>Fri 24 Oct</b>	Fiji, Niue & Other Languages Celebration
	<b>Mon 27 Oct</b>	Labour Day - No School
	<b>Tues 28 Oct</b>	Whānau Home Learning Workshops
	<b>Wed 29 Oct</b>	Arataki Trip - Room 4 & 17 
	<b>Thurs 30 Oct</b>	Arataki Trip - Room 11 & 13 
	<b>Fri 31 Oct</b>	Whole School Assembly
<b>Week 5</b>	<b>Mon 3 Nov</b>	Teacher Only Day - School Closed
	<b>Fri 7 Nov</b>	Colour Run Day!! 
<b>Week 6</b>	<b>Tues 11 Nov</b>	Arataki Trip - Room 8 & 20 
	<b>Wed 12 Nov</b>	Athletics Day!! 
	<b>Thurs 13 Nov</b>	Arataki Trip - Room 11 & 13 
	<b>Fri 14 Nov</b>	Whole School Assembly
		Te Reo Māori Celebration 
<b>Week 7</b>	<b>Wed 19 Nov</b>	Helper's Morning Tea  
<b>Week 8</b>	<b>Wed 26 Nov</b>	Reading Together Celebration 
	<b>Thurs 27 Nov</b>	Y6 Monitors Rainbow's End Trip  
	<b>Fri 28 Nov</b>	Whole School Assembly + Interschool Athletics 
<b>Week 9</b>	<b>Tues 2 Dec</b>	Tafa o Ata Prize Giving  
	<b>Wed 3 Dec</b>	Te Whānau Tutakitanga Prize Giving  
	<b>Thurs 4 Dec</b>	Lalanga Mo'ui Prize Giving  
	<b>Fri 5 Dec</b>	Junior Prize Giving + Senior Prize Giving + Reports go Home  
<b>Week 10</b>	<b>Mon 8 Dec</b>	Year 6 Graduation Lunch 
	<b>Wed 10 Dec</b>	Meet Your 2026 Teacher + School Christmas Concert 
	<b>Thurs 11 Dec</b>	Last Day of School 

## Assembly Certificate Winners - Week 10 Term 3

These students were awarded certificates for displaying the HEART Value **RESPECT** over the first two weeks of this term.

<b>J U N I O R S</b>	<b>Room 15:</b> Malachi Mika Faau'i & Shazana Mayzabeen <b>Room 16:</b> Amayra Anshika & Krishant Kumar <b>Room 23:</b> Kavya Kumar & Lily Tafaoga <b>Room 24:</b> Siena Allen & Deysha-May Malamala <b>Room 25:</b> Nevaeh Williams & Louis Marqou Blasi <b>Room 26:</b> Mavis Wolfgramm & Kaitiaki Searle <b>Room 27:</b> Advik Sharma & Mavaketeao Samuela
<b>S E N I O R S</b>	<b>Room 5:</b> Misiforesi Lai & Ellamoana Henry <b>Room 6:</b> Rhythm Henare & Zara Rasool <b>Room 7:</b> Pauline Vi & Soane Faiva <b>Room 8:</b> Thrishant Chandra & Ayden (Aladdin) Samy <b>Room 11:</b> Nathan Volavola & Zahdae-Lee Ihaka <b>Room 12:</b> Erica Feleti & Senituli 'Anau <b>Room 13:</b> Riyansha Chand & Zachaira Hemana <b>Room 14:</b> Kayren Singh & Marissa Rasyid
<b>B I L I N G U A L</b>	<b>Room 1:</b> Dwayne Vaili & Paiato'o Meatuai <b>Room 2:</b> Toai Kolio & Charlotte Vaetoe <b>Room 3:</b> Alofa Alao & Lucas Iakopo <b>Room 4:</b> Mataiilili Dempsey & Jennifer Vaomua <b>Room 17:</b> Harmony Ratahi & Papino Teingoa <b>Room 18:</b> Hiwa Tapara & Aviva Fonokalafi <b>Room 19:</b> Vaiola Lihau & Samiuelea Uia <b>Room 20:</b> Salote Ika & Lepeti Pole <b>Room 21:</b> Ofa Fine & Joe Iloahefaiva <b>Room 22:</b> Takasima Makaafi & Elisiva Kuli



### 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**

# Ngā Kura Kotahitanga

## CHANGE OF PLANS!

**3PM-5PM: ŌTĀHUHU  
PRIMARY SCHOOL**

**AN EVENING OF CELEBRATION,  
FEATURING STUDENT  
PERFORMANCES, FOOD & DRINK**

**SCHOOL HALL - PARKING AT STATION  
ROAD PUBLIC CARPARK**

**SPOT PRIZES TO BE WON!**



Otahuhu  
Intermediate  
School



MT RICHMOND  
SPECIALIST SCHOOL



PACIFIC ADVANCE  
SECONDARY SCHOOL



Panama Road  
SCHOOL



**BRING CASH FOR FOOD SALES**





# **Teachers strike - School closed for instruction Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> October**

**You may have heard that NZEI Te Riu Roa members recently voted to take strike action on 23 October. Many of our teaching and support staff (as well as myself as principal) are NZEI Te Riu Roa members and will be joining the strike. I want you to know this decision was not made lightly.**

**Throughout our collective agreement negotiations (where we negotiate for improvements to our working terms and conditions) we have raised several issues that would make a big difference to support our students' learning, but we don't feel that the Government is listening to us or is understanding what schools and students really need. This includes recognising that our learners need more support, including a teacher aide for every classroom. We're also asking the Government to value all school staff for the work they do. We want to attract and retain great people in our classrooms, rather than seeing them leave for Australia.**

**A strike means a day without pay, but that is a sacrifice we are making to try and get the Government to hear us and give us what we need to support all students.**

**Thank you for your understanding and support**

# Fun Run - Term 4

We have now raised over \$2000!

If we can get to \$5000, we get to

**SLIME WHAEA JENNY!!!**



To sign up, use the QR code  
below, or go to

[schoolfunrun.co.nz](https://schoolfunrun.co.nz) to create your  
profiles and start raising funds!



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