



A MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Wow how are we in week 6 already! It's been great to be enjoying our summer school sports with lots on; cricket, softball and tee ball, swimming and athletics. Next week school accounts will be coming out, remember there are many options for paying these. You can pay on invoice or you can set up a weekly payment to the school account that comes in from now till the end of the year. This year school accounts are slightly different as we are now part of the government's donation scheme. This means apart from camps ALL school activities and travel are not going to be charged. Van charges for after school sports, guitar, technology and any activity that is not a Poolburn School activity will be continued to be charged to your account. For example there will be no charge for ice skating and travel to and from. This means you may want to change your weekly payment if you are doing this system. I will send an email out later in the week with some guidelines for payment amounts.

Year 7 & 8 is an important time to focus on leadership. This week we participated in the Physical Activity Leader (PALS) Programme in Ranfurly. It was so great to see our students get involved in this and really make the best of the opportunity. We look forward to seeing what they have learnt, over the next few weeks they will be leading some activities and games with the whole school and really stepping up into their leadership roles

It was so great to see all our Poolburn students give their best at Athletics yesterday in Roxburgh. Great show of our school's RITES on display and I was really impressed with the number of children who put themselves into the 800m run. Well Done for challenging ourselves. Thanks to Roxburgh for hosting us, it's great to stay connected with the other small schools in the area and the events on offer.



WEEKLY REMINDER

ASSEMBLY WEDNESDAY 12th MARCH 2pm





Kia ora,

Athletics: We were so proud of all the children yesterday. They all got out there and gave their very best in every event. A huge thank you also to the parents who assisted with the events. It takes a lot to wrangle all these children and you were a great help.

Inquiry: We have continued on with our Inquiry into Mediaeval times. Each group has begun to build their castle according to their plans. They have created a rubric so they know what defences a good castle needs to have. Tomorrow they will spend more time with Mrs Gare constructing their castles.

Maths: Raggedy Range has been learning all about numbers. We love trying to find patterns that help us understand how they work. Below are some of our year 3 students making and explaining the place value of their numbers.



Ka pai to wiki
Deb



ROUGH RIDGE NEWS



Kia ora all,

Well done to everyone for their sporting prowess over the last 2 weeks; from swimming sports to athletics the students have given it their all. It has also been wonderful to see the sportsmanship Rough Ridge have been demonstrating; we love the encouragement you give your peers.


Reading has been a big push in Phase 2. We are reading novels, with a focus on comprehension and summarising. Below are some examples of the summarising we have been doing.

Kia pai te wiki.


Emma

Frankie summarising the first chapters of Below.



First	Next
First Liam's dad was building a tunnel. Liam and Imogen are different. Liam wants the tunnel built and Imogen does not.	Next Liam really wanted to go in the tunnel but Liam's dad said no. Then Liam snuck the keys off his dad.
Then	Finally
Then Liam lied that he was going to his friends house.	Finally Liam took Imagin to the tunnel. 

Emily summarising the first few chapters of Nine Girls.

First	Next
First Titch's goat Twinkle went to work for santa.	Next Titch's family moved to a maroi town that is called Ngaruawahia.
Then	Finally
Then Titch and her cousins went eel catching, and Titch and her cousin Wiri actually caught an eel!	Finally Titch and her sister Bub go to their new school for their first day. They each made new friend. 





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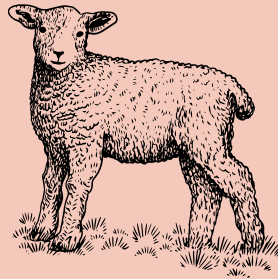
FOOTBALL SESSIONS



TRAINING EVERY TUESDAY - OMAKAU DOMAIN
3.30PM - 4.30PM (STARTS TUESDAY APRIL 1ST)
GAMES EVERY SUNDAY WITHIN CENTRAL OTAGO
BOYS & GIRLS WELCOME YEARS 1 - 8

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You're invited



The Central Otago A&P Show Committee wish to invite the farmers who have donated to our Gift Lamb competition to the 'On the Hook' awards and dinner on Friday 14th March 6pm at Poolburn Hub.

Dinner and beverages are included. This year we received 69 lambs which has contributed \$10,733.35 to the running of our local A&P Show. We are extremely grateful for this. We hope you can make it!

EMBRACE

BODY POSITIVITY

Local Women In Business Networking



Guest Speaker
Melanie Kerr



Documentary
Screening



Live Music
Nia Du Plessis

Friday 28th March 2025 - Ophir Hall

6pm - 7pm Business Mix and Mingle:

Bubbles (AF) - Nibbles - Live Music

7pm - 8:30pm Embrace Documentary Screening

8:30pm - 9pm Guest Speaker - Melanie Kerr

General Ticket \$50

Business Ticket \$100

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or email us at embrace.playcentre@gmail.com



All proceeds go towards a new playground for our Omakau and Districts Playcentre



COMMUNITY NEWS

COMMUNITY MEETING :
Wednesday 12th March
7pm at the Poolburn-Moa
Creek Hall.

Please can you ALL come along and hear the thoughts/plans of the CODC in regards to our Hall. The council are proposing that we 'buy' the Hall and run it ourselves. At this meeting you will hear how much it costs to run the Hall and how much use it gets. This decision is a big community decision and everyone is strongly encouraged to attend!

SAVE THE DATE

POOLBURN/MOA CREEK
SCHOOLS 150TH CELEBRATION



LABOUR WEEKEND 2025

To register your interest or get involved in the planning please email poolburnschool150@gmail.com or write c/- of Dayna Paterson, 613 Moa Creek Road, RD2, Oturehua, 9387

MANIOTOTO JUNIOR NETBALL CLUB



REGISTRATION FORMS ARE AVAILABLE FOR THOSE WHO ARE INTERESTED IN PLAYING NETBALL AS PART OF THE MANIOTOTO CLUB THIS YEAR. PLEASE CONTACT LISA AT SCHOOL TO HAVE THE FORM EMAILED

STEPS WINNERS

Henry Heaps
Jack Hore

MATHLETICS WINNER:

Hugh Matheson

RITES WINNERS

Kooper Peterson
Ollie Murdoch



Dunstan Kāhui Ako Whānau Hui!

**Come and meet Māori whānau in our
area for some kai and a korero!**

More details via the QR code below.

Where: Whakaruruhau (DHS Whare)

When: Thursday March 13

Time: 5.30

Kai provided!

Tamariki welcome.



A MESSAGE FROM OUR BOARD OF TRUSTEES:

BOARD CORNER 5/3/25

A belated welcome back to school from your Board. It has been so busy with camps and sport and swim sports and athletics etc. But the weather has been amazing and we are grateful.

We were very happy to start the new year with a full complement of 5 parent trustees.

Along with Melissa (Principal/CEO) and Deb (teacher rep), we warmly welcomed Richard Copland, Kane Heaps, and Vicki O'Neill to join Steve Hore and myself. We will be introducing them to you over the next 3 newsletters. Vicki has kindly taken on the Health and Safety Board Delegation.

Hi all. I am Vicki O'Neill, a new member on the Poolburn School Board of Trustees. My husband Mark and our 3 kids Fred, Billy and Annie moved here from Hyde nearly 2 years ago to farm at Moa Creek. This is my first time on a board of trustees but I have been very involved in the community in the past. I was on the Community board at Macraes as well as being involved in the local Playgroup, dog trials and the Singles dance. I wanted to join the board because to us, it is important to be a contributing member of the community and a school is usually the hub of that. My goal being on the board is to see every child succeed and having a strong board supporting our amazing staff is so vital to allowing that to happen. If you have any questions or queries please let me know and I really look forward to working with you all.

PALS and ATHLETICS PHOTOS



TERM 1 CALENDAR










MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

Week 6 03/03	04/03  Guitar with George PALS training Yr 7 & 8 Ranfurlly 9-11	05/03 Small School Athletics Roxburgh Yr 1-8	06/03	07/03 Yr 7 & 8 Tech Teacher Release Day Melissa teaching whole school
Week 7 10/03	11/03	12/03 Assembly 2pm	13/03 Melissa meeting all day Building Club 	14/03
Week 8 17/03	18/03  Guitar with George	19/03	20/03	21/03 Yr 7 & 8 Tech Teacher Release Day Melissa teaching whole school
Week 9 24/03	25/03	26/03 BOT Meeting 6.30pm	27/03 Building Club 	28/03
Week 10 31/03 	01/04  Guitar with George TOP BIKE	02/04 Yr 7 & 8 Sticks and Stones Alexandra	03/04	04/04  Teacher Only Day
Week 11 07/04	08/04  Bonus Tech Day for Yr & 8	09/04	10/04 Building Club 	11/04 Assembly 2pm

LAST DAY OF TERM 1 - FRIDAY 11TH APRIL
FIRST DAY OF TERM 2 - MONDAY 28TH APRIL

SKI CAMP DATES FOR 2025
AUGUST 6-8TH

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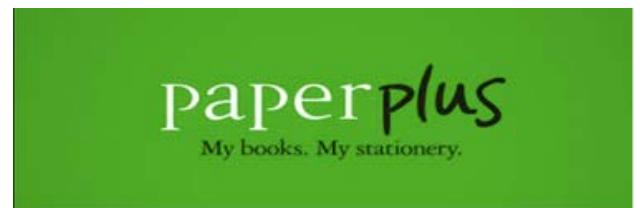
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