

# OREWA BEACH SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



Welcome back, everyone, to Term 3!

We trust you all had a relaxing and refreshing break, despite the changeable weather we've experienced lately. A particularly warm welcome goes out to all our new students joining us this term, including our international students who have travelled all the way from China and Japan. It was wonderful to begin the term with our Pōhiri this morning, and we extend a huge thank you to everyone who was able to attend and share in this special occasion with us.

Parent Interviews are just around the corner, scheduled for Thursday, July 24th. To ensure ample time for these important discussions, school will be closing early at 12:00 pm on that day. This is a valuable opportunity for you to connect with your child's teacher, discuss their Mid-Year Report, and gain insights into their overall progress and development. If you haven't already done so, please remember that bookings are now open and can be conveniently made through the Hero App. We highly encourage all whānau to take advantage of this chance to engage with your child's learning journey.

On Friday, July 25th, we're excited to be celebrating Red Nose Day! This is a fantastic and vital initiative by Cure Kids, dedicated to raising much-needed funds for child health research right here in New Zealand. Your support helps to fund vital breakthroughs for serious childhood illnesses, making a real difference in the lives of our tamariki. As a school, we are proud to support Cure Kids as one of our chosen charities this year. Keep an eye out for more details coming your way very soon regarding the fun and engaging events we have planned for the day to mark this special occasion.

Our Year 6 students have an exciting and informative visit planned for Wednesday, August 6th, when they will be heading over to Ōrewa College. This visit is designed to give our students a fantastic firsthand opportunity to see the college in action, explore the campus, and even "have a go" at some of the activities and facilities on offer. It's a valuable chance for them to begin envisioning their next steps in their educational journey.

Please mark your calendars for another important date: Friday, August 15th, which will be a Teacher Only Day. This day has been allocated by the Ministry of Education to allow our dedicated staff to undertake crucial professional development focused on the new Maths Curriculum. This time is invaluable for our teachers to deepen their understanding and implement the latest educational approaches, ultimately benefiting all our students.

We are also incredibly proud to announce that we will be hosting the Tū Maia Festival at Ōrewa College on Friday, August 29th. This promises to be a vibrant celebration of Kapa Haka, bringing together schools from all across our local region for a day of performances, cultural exchange, and community spirit. In preparation for this significant event, our very own Whāea Leeanne has been diligently making beautiful new piupiu for our boys. To help every Kapa Haka performer shine with pride and ensure they can perform in full uniform, we are inviting our community to contribute towards the making of these precious garments via our Kindo page. Each piupiu is a taonga, a treasured possession, expertly crafted by Whāea Leeanne using our school's special flax garden, which whakapapas back to Dame Whina Cooper. With each piupiu costing \$500, your contribution through our Kindo "Pay it Forward" option directly helps us reach this goal. It's a powerful way to support our tamariki, empowering them to proudly represent our culture and heritage on stage. Your generosity makes a real difference and is deeply appreciated.

We have some exciting news to share from Ōrewa College regarding their new Rumaki Reo Māori programme for Year 7 and 8 students. This Level 1 total immersion pathway will offer students the incredible opportunity to be taught primarily in te reo Māori within a learning environment deeply rooted in te ao Māori, mātauranga Māori, and tikanga Māori. This is a significant step forward for the college, and they are keen to ensure our wider community is aware of this option. Key points for families to note are that the programme is open to both in-zone and out-of-zone enrolments, although spaces are limited. It will be a composite class of Year 7 and Year 8 students sharing a classroom with two teachers, aiming for a ratio of one teacher to 18 students. A high level of te reo Māori proficiency is not required for entry, and the programme will combine immersion in te reo Māori with access to English-medium core learning areas. Students will remain fully connected to wider school life, including sports, leadership, and extracurricular activities. Families who express interest will be invited to a hui with their kaiako Māori to learn more and explore how the programme aligns with their aspirations. For more information or to express interest, you can contact Haimona directly at [h.koziarski@orewacollege.nz](mailto:h.koziarski@orewacollege.nz), or visit their website at <https://www.orewacollege.nz/learning/middle-school-years-7-10/rumaki-reo-mori>.

We look forward to a productive and engaging Term 3 for everyone!

Ngā mihi nui,  
Wendy Naidu - Principal

## WHAT'S ON ?

### July 2025

- Mon 14th First day of Term 3
- Thur 24th Parent Interviews - Students to go home at 12pm.
- Fri 25th Red Nose Day
- Tues 29th Kea trip to MOTAT

### August 2025

- Fri 1st WAFs Bingo Night
- Fri 15th Teacher Only Day - no school today
- Thurs 21st Interschool Hockey
- Thurs 21st Cross Country - Kereru
- Fri 22nd Cross Country - Piwakawaka, Tui, Kea and Weka
- Fri 29th Tū Maia Festival

### September 2025

- Mon 1st - Fri 5th Book Week
- Fri 12th School Disco
- Wed 17th Weka Dance Competition and Evening
- Thurs 18th Interschool Cross Country
- Fri 19th Last Day of Term 3

### October 2025

- Mon 6th First day of Term 4 2025

### Absences

Please ensure you inform the school of your child's absence due to illness or holidays. If you are unable to let us know through the Hero app, please call the Office on 09 426 4849.

Please be aware we finish school at 2.45 pm. Children need to be picked up promptly. If you cannot be here at 2.45 pm please arrange care at Kelly Club.

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As Winter approaches this in turn means rain and mud on the field. Please ensure your child has a change of clothes in their bag.  
Thank you!



## STUDENT EARLY PICK UPS

Please, if your child has an appointment during the school day please arrange to pick up before or after morning tea and lunchtime. Morning tea is 11.00am to 11.20am. Lunch time is 12.50pm until 1.45pm. We are unable to find your child at morning tea and lunchtimes. We have full next one is Friday 25<sup>th</sup> July school assembly every second Friday - this starts at 2.00pm and finishes at 2.45pm. Please arrange to pick up your child before 2.00pm if they have an appointment as we are unable to interrupt the assembly.

## Unwell students

Please if your child has been vomiting and or has diarrhoea please keep them home for 48 hours.

If they have had a temperature, please keep your child home until their temperature has subsided.

Please, if your child arrives late please ensure your child signs in at the office. If you require to take your child during school time please always call to the office first - we will then page your child. Thank you.

### FLU SIGNS AND SYMPTOMS





|                | Monday  | Tuesday   | Wednesday   | Thursday  | Friday  |
|----------------|---|---|---|---|---|
| 7:00 - 8:15 am | Best Buds Mural & Structured Free Time  | Playdough & Structured Free Time  | Board Games & Structured Free Time  | Charades & Structured Free Time   | Homemade Cupcakes & Structured Free Time  |
| 8:15 - 8:30 am | Game: Bean Bag Toss   | Game: Balloon Stomp   | Game: Boss of the Balls   | Game: Frozen Friends  | Game: Football  |
| 2:45 - 3:00 pm | Sign In & Structured Free Time  | Sign In & Structured Free Time  | Sign In & Structured Free Time  | Sign In & Structured Free Time  | Sign In & Structured Free Time  |
| 3:00 - 3:30 pm | Intro & Afternoon Tea<br>Corn Thins & Fruit                                       | Intro & Afternoon Tea<br>Sammies & Fruit  | Intro & Afternoon Tea<br>Cheerios & Fruit   | Intro & Afternoon Tea<br>Sammies & Fruit  | Intro & Afternoon Tea<br>Homemade Cupcakes & Fruit                                  |
| 3:30 - 3:45 pm | Game: Staff Choice  | Game: Master  | Game: Space Invaders  | Game: Scatter Ball  | Game: Lonely Ghost  |
| 3:45 - 4:30 pm | <b>GAME</b><br>Catch me if you can  | <b>DISCOVERY</b><br>My Arms & Eyes  | <b>SPORT</b><br>Blindfold Obstacle  | <b>COOKING</b><br>Friendship Treats   | <b>CRAFT</b><br>Friendship Cloud  |
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| 4:30 - 4:35 pm | Tidy Up   | Tidy Up   | Tidy Up   | Tidy Up   | Tidy Up   |
| 4:35 - 4:50 pm | Snack Time<br>Vege Chips  | Snack Time<br>Popcorn   | Snack Time<br>Biscuits  | Snack Time<br>Baking  | Snack Time<br>Crackers  |
| 4:50 - 5:15 pm | Homework & Quiet Time   | Homework & Quiet Time   | Homework & Quiet Time   | Homework & Quiet Time   | Homework & Quiet Time   |
| 5:15 - 6:00 pm | Game: Hornet Tag & Projects   | Game: King of the Ring & Projects   | Game: Mexican Kickball & Projects   | Game: Pirates Basketball & Projects   | Game: Moral Enemies & Projects  |

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| 7:00 - 8:15 am | RND Sale Posters & Structured Free Time   | Target Practice & Structured Free Time  | Finger Painting & Structured Free Time  | Staff Choice & Structured Free Time   | Pikelets & Structured Free Time   |
| 8:15 - 8:30 am | Game: Kiwis & Kangaroos   | Game: Kids Yoga   | Game: Red Nose Picking  | Game: Angry Birds   | Game: Red, Green Light  |
| 2:45 - 3:00 pm | Sign In & Structured Free Time  | Sign In & Structured Free Time  | Sign In & Structured Free Time  | Sign In & Structured Free Time  | Sign In & Structured Free Time  |
| 3:00 - 3:30 pm | Intro & Afternoon Tea<br>Rice Bubble Cakes & Fruit                                  | Intro & Afternoon Tea<br>Sammies & Fruit  | Intro & Afternoon Tea<br>Tomato Pasta & Fruit                                       | Intro & Afternoon Tea<br>Sammies & Fruit  | Intro & Afternoon Tea<br>Pikelets & Fruit   |
| 3:30 - 3:45 pm | Game: Paper, Scissors, Rock   | Game: Duck, Duck, Goose   | Game: Toilet Tag  | Game: Follow the Sergeant   | Game: Cat & Mouse Tag   |
| 3:45 - 4:30 pm | <b>CRAFT</b><br>Sale Posters  | <b>SPORT</b><br>Racing Red Relays   | <b>COOKING</b><br>Rocky Road with Jaffas  | <b>DISCOVERY</b><br>Red Scavenger Hunt  | <b>GAME</b><br>Find the Red Nose  |
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| 4:30 - 4:35 pm | Tidy Up   | Tidy Up   | Tidy Up   | Tidy Up   | Tidy Up   |
| 4:35 - 4:50 pm | Snack Time<br>Potato Sticks   | Snack Time<br>Corn Thins  | Snack Time<br>Baking  | Snack Time<br>Raisins   | Snack Time<br>Muesli Bars   |
| 4:50 - 5:15 pm | Homework & Quiet Time   | Homework & Quiet Time   | Homework & Quiet Time   | Homework & Quiet Time   | Homework & Quiet Time   |
| 5:15 - 6:00 pm | Game: Concentration & Projects  | Game: Dance Comp & Projects   | Game: Doggy Doggy & Projects  | Game: Flee Chase & Projects   | Game: Foot Volleyball & Projects  |

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