Ormond School Newsletter

30th October 2026
Week 3 Term 4

Kia ora Ormond School Whānau,

Today, we celebrate New Zealand Teacher Appreciation Day—and with our amazing staff at Ormond School, we have so much to appreciate!

Our team does an incredible job every single day, working tirelessly to ensure Ormond School is the absolute best it can be. Their positive attitudes, enthusiastic approach, and high energy make our school a wonderful place to learn, grow, and belong.

A teacher's role has changed dramatically over the past few decades, evolving into one of the most complex and challenging professions around. Alongside their traditional role as educators, our teachers wear many different hats every day. They are:

- Curriculum Experts & Mentors: Crafting engaging, tailored lessons to support every student's unique learning needs.
- Counselors & Caregivers: Offering emotional support, encouraging resilience, and providing a safe space for students.
- Event Coordinators & Coaches: Organizing sports teams, cultural groups, performances, and camp trips.
- Data Analysts & Administrative Leaders: Tracking student progress, writing reports, and managing classroom logistics.
- Community Connectors: Partnering with whānau and local organizations to enrich our school environment.

They are forever putting in extra hours to create rich opportunities for our tamariki. These extra events, clubs, and experiences outside the classroom don't happen by chance; they only happen because our teachers stay late, work together, and go above and beyond year after year.

We truly have a team of superstars. Thank you all for everything you do for our students, our school, and our community—please know that your dedication does not go unnoticed. Great job, team!

Enjoy the weekend!

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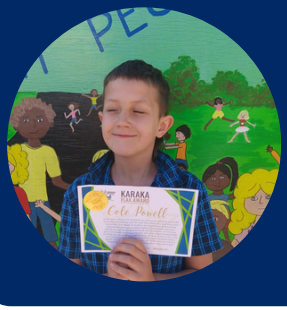
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Ormond School
F.L.A.X Awards



Stevie

Welcome aboard the Kōwhai ship, Stevie! You have been a fantastic addition to our crew. We like your happy energy - you start the day with a friendly greeting, get stuck into activities with enthusiasm, and leave with a big smile on your face. It is great to see you participating in everything we do, especially as starting school is such a big change from Kindy! Keep up the great work, and you will be a powerful pirate in no time. Ka pai, Stevie, on a super start to your learning journey at Ormond School!



Cole

Cole, you constantly impress us with your positive attitude towards everything you do and the effort you put into your learning. This week in maths, we have been particularly impressed with your times tables knowledge and your ability to use strategies to work out problems. In literacy, you have been working hard to use your sound knowledge to help you in reading and writing. On top of all of this, you are always a kind and caring friend, super helpful and a great role model for others. We are lucky to have such a Powerful Learner Superhero in Karaka - ka rawe Cole!



George O

George you are becoming more confident in your own ability and this is great to see. You are able to go into the Learning Pit without the worry that you used to have. Your resilience has certainly developed. You are one of the self managers of Pohutukawa by making sure you are ready for learning each day and can stay focused on your tasks until they are finished. It's great hearing about what you and dad have been up to after school. Keep up the great attitude George,
Ka mau te wehi



Daisy

Daisy, you are a quiet and conscientious student who leads by example. You always bring a positive attitude, working happily with everyone in class and dedicating time to helping others. Your kindness shines through in everything you do—whether you are tidying up the school, setting up for the disco, or supporting Kōwhai with their fete project. You are always the first to volunteer when groups need balancing or to help others out of the learning pit.
He aroha whakatō, he aroha puta mai!

TIDY KIWI - WEEK 3
KARAKA

HOUSE POINTS:

1st- Horouta
2nd - Waipaoa
3rd - Takitimu
4th - Ahititi

Te Ako Mahi

Learning in Action

Ormond Athletics

Our annual Athletics Day was an absolute triumph! Students brought high energy, incredible sportsmanship, and fantastic house spirit to the track and field. From thrilling sprint finishes to record-breaking field events, it was inspiring to see everyone give their all and cheer each other on.

A massive thank you to all the staff, parent volunteers, and supporters who made the day run seamlessly, and congratulations to all our student athletes for their outstanding effort!











Halloween Disco

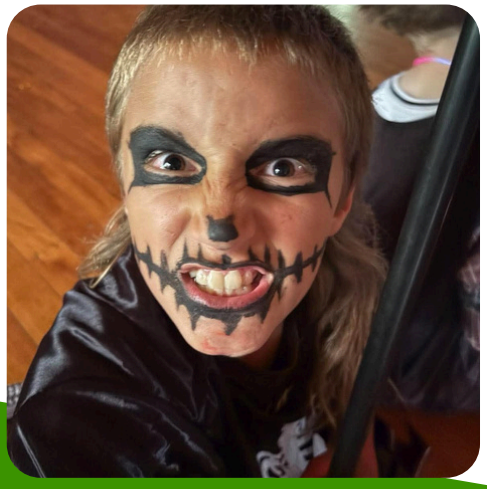
Our Halloween Disco was a spooktacular success! The hall was transformed into a haunted wonderland as students arrived in an incredible array of creative, funny, and scary costumes. Everyone danced the night away, enjoyed the games, and showed off their best monster moves on the dance floor.

A huge thank you to our parent helpers, staff, and student council for setting up, supervising, and making the event so memorable. We hope everyone had a fun and safe Halloween!











Nga Panui Nui
Notices & Updates

KEY DATES TERM 4

4 Nov School Photos
10 Nov Inter School Athletics
13 Nov Teacher Only Day - Math
15 Nov Ormond Fete / Gala
17 Nov Kapa Haka Festival 1:15 Juniors / 1:30 Seniors
24 Nov Year 6 Intermediate Visits
25 Inter-school Basketball
30 Nov - 3 Dec Year 5 & 6 Camp
7 Dec BOT Meeting #2
10 Dec Music Performance
11 Dec EOY Student Reports.
15 Dec Year 6 Leavers Dinner
16 Dec Prize Giving
17 Dec Kiwa Pools Day
18 Dec Last Day
Note: Depending on circumstances we may not attend all events. Dates are subject to change.

STARTING AT ORMOND

If you have a child ready to start school, or know someone that does - we would love the opportunity to sit down and have a chat about what our amazing kura has to offer and how we dedicated to achieving our vision of "Growing Great People".

Please contact our office to make an appointment, or pop in when you can.

IMPORTANT NOTICES / EVENTS

SCHOOL PHOTOS

Are on this wednesday the 4th of November.

TEACHER ONLY DAY

As per our calander above - please remember we have a Teacher Only Day on Friday the 13th of November.

TOUCH RUGBY DRAW

Please click on the link below to be taken to the Saturday Morning touch rugby draw for T4. This draw includes all teams for every week of the competition.

Touch Draw T4 2026

Community Notices

TERM FOUR

T4: HOT LUNCH & AFTER SCHOOL CARE

If you are interested in using our after school care service in term 4, or wish to purchase a hot lunch / juicy for your child each Friday - please click on the links below to access the information and the sign up forms.

FRIDAY HOT LUNCH ORDER T4

AFTER SCHOOL CARE T4

Growing Great People - Te Whakatipu Tangata

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