

Oruaiti School Newsletter

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Friday 1 March 2024

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Important Dates to Remember

05.03.2024 - Kawa of care parent info evening

06.03.2024 - Eastern Zone Swimming Sports

18.03.2024 - Year 7 & 8 Vaccinations

Kia Ora e te whānau,

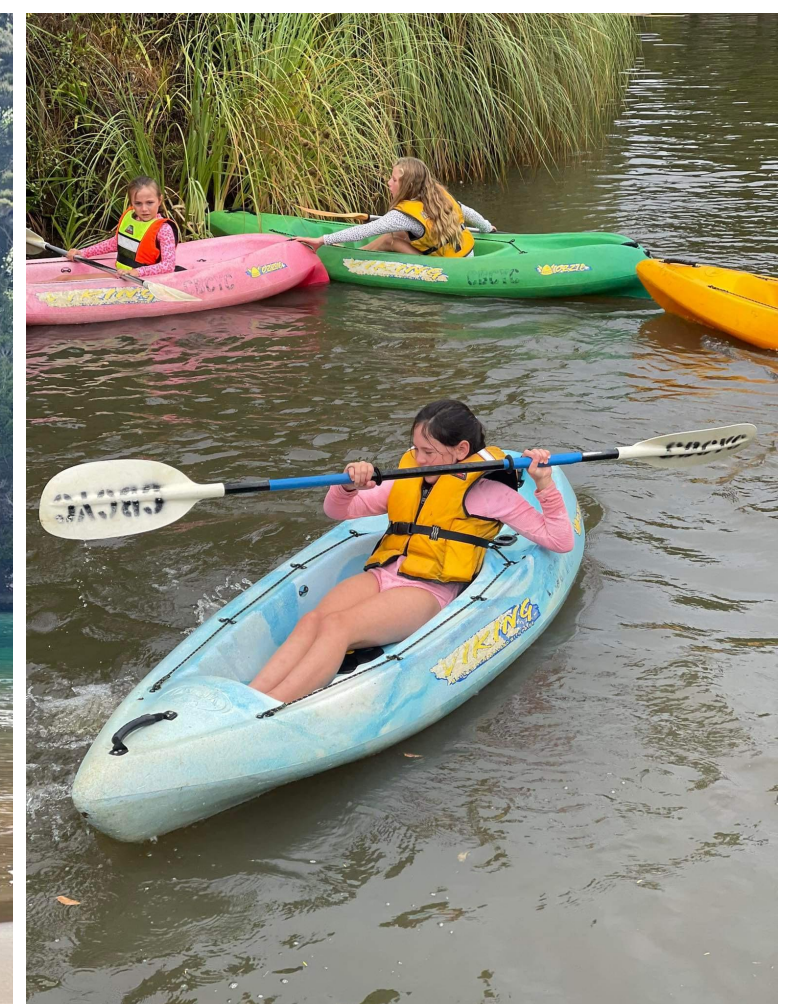
Welcome to new student Kowhai Carthew who has joined Ngaio Class.

Camp

Our year 4/5 students had a great few days at camp earlier this week. We don't seem to have great luck with weather when we plan camps. If you ever need to end a drought just ask us to plan a camp!

The students spent the first day at the Coopers Beach Christian camp involved in a range of activities in and around camp. They travelled to Te Rerenga Wairua (Cape Reinga) on the second day where they walked to the lighthouse and learnt about local history, then had a stop on the way back at a playground near Houhora. Unfortunately the weather was not great, so we were unable to stop at one of the beaches for a swim. The final camp day was spent at Taipa, with sailing and beach activities.

A huge Thank You to all the whanau who helped out with activities and in the kitchen.



Kawa of Care

The Kawa of Care is an agreement between students, parents and schools to ensure the best care and responsibility is exercised with the chromebook during each student's time in the programme. We will be holding an evening on Tuesday 5th March at 5.00pm for whanau of students who have purchased chrome books for their children this year. You will be asked to sign a contract stating that you are aware of the requirements when using chrome books at home. Students may then take their chromebooks home each night, on weekends or school holidays, whichever works for you.

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Fundraising Raffle

The Father of two of our students is participating in the Sky Tower Challenge this year. To Support Phil with this we will be selling Raffle tickets at school. The details of this event and the raffle are below. Students can bring their \$2 for the raffle to the school office. The raffle will be drawn on Friday 12th April.

The Firefighter Sky Tower Challenge is for firefighters to climb 1,103 steps to the top of the Auckland Sky Tower, while wearing their full firefighter gear (also known as Breathing Apparatus gear) which weighs around 25kgs. This year's challenge will be on Saturday 18th May.

Purpose of Fundraising

This challenge is for our firefighters to raise money for Leukaemia & Blood Cancer New Zealand, which is New Zealand's national organisation dedicated to supporting patients and their families living with a blood cancer – leukaemia, lymphoma or myeloma or a related blood condition.

Our participant

Phil has been a member of the Mangonui Volunteer Fire Brigade for 3 years. His two children, Eli & Ruby, attend Oruaiti School.

Phil worked for a couple who very tragically lost their son to leukaemia – Noah was only about 4 years old, as was our Eli at the time. It was heartbreaking to witness their pain, and so Phil is doing this challenge in honour of Noah & his family.

Phil is determined to beat his time of 17:27 minutes from last year. It is not only a challenge of a physical nature, but also each participant is encouraged to raise at least \$1,500. Our fabulous community raised about \$2,400 last year, for which we are extremely grateful.

Oruaiti School Raffle

We have humbly asked that our Oruaiti School family kindly help us raise funds for this very special charity, by running a raffle. With the prize of a winning child to be driven to school by Phil in a fire truck, leaving from Mangonui Fire Station and arriving at school with lights & sirens.

We thought that \$2 tickets would be an affordable option for our families.

Online donations

This is Phil's official fundraising page: <https://firefighterschallenge.org.nz/phil-white>





















The raffle proceeds & any other donations will be added to this web page.

Many thanks for your generosity in helping with fundraising for Phil's challenge, and ultimately for LBC families.

Phil & Bee White



Menu for March 2024

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
				01  Cheeseburger Wrap	02 X	03 X
04  Beef Curry	05  Chicken Mayo Sandwich	06  Chicken Bites & Rice	07  Pasta Salad with crumbed	08  Teriyaki Chicken	09 X	10 X
11  Summer Pasta with chicken	12  Ham and Cheese	13  Coconut Curry	14  Ham and Potato Salad	15  Cheeseburger Wrap	16 X	17 X
18  Meatball Pasta	19  Chicken Mayo Sandwich	20  Beef and Potato Curry	21  Chicken Pasta Salad	22  Mex con Carne	23 X	24 X
25  Pasta Bolognese	26  Ham and Cheese	27  Butter Chicken	28  Chicken Tender and Potato	29 X	30 X	31 X

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Junior School Activities

Our Junior school students have been involved in lots of fun activities this week. They had a funday at school on Wednesday, went to Chucks cove and Coopers Beach on Thursday and walked to Rangikapiti Pa to learn about some of the local history of Ngati Kahu on Friday. This was followed by a display of some of the skills they have been learning in swimming at school.



Impetigo (School Sores)

We have had a few cases of Impetigo in the school. Impetigo (also called school sores) is a common skin infection. Impetigo mostly affects tamariki (children), but it can affect people of any age. Impetigo is passed on by skin-to-skin contact such as touching, so it spreads very easily.

The symptoms of impetigo are red sores or blisters, which burst to leave crusty, golden-brown patches. The sores can be itchy. The sores mostly affect the face and hands, but they can appear on other parts of the body.

Impetigo needs treating to prevent complications and to stop the infection spreading, school sores must be covered when children are attending school, they may also need to be treated with antibiotics.

Swimming Sports

We held our school swimming sports on Tuesday last week. It was great to see most students 'having a go' and competing in a range of events.

The following students placed in the top three in their age group and have qualified for the Eastern Zone Competition to be held at Taipa on Wednesday March 6th.

Logan Foster, Beth-Ann Houtas, Joan St George, Ollie Garton, Koani Renata, Codus Tatai, Astra Gruebner, Eva Foster, Dayna Foster, Charlie Lane, Jimmy Guhl, Ashlyn Thomas, Rose Crane, Cattleya Reina Cabrera, Pia Guhl, Ariya Dowman, Molly Start, Jay-Jay Houtas, Jake Hailstone, Kodin Robinson, Indigo Smith, Ella Greaves, Leah Carr, Levi Gruebner, Cooper Walden, Sam King, Taylor Messenger, Ember Adams, Remi Sawers, Thea Hare, Sydney Greaves, Tamara Errey, Jessica Neho, Lily Lane, Cadence Garton, Ruby Rose, Xavier Garton, Rose Crane, Maliya Renata, Johnny Sok, Amiria Sawers.

