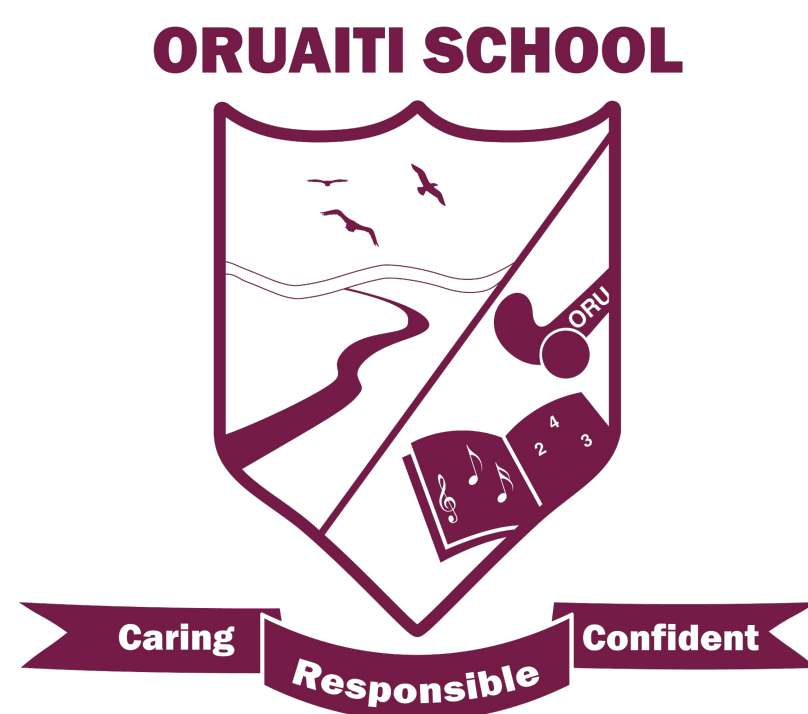


# Oruaiti School Newsletter

*Established 1896*



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**Friday 16 February 2024**

# Term 1, Week 3, Friday 16 February 2024

## Important Dates to Remember

**20.02.2024 - School swimming Sports Yr 4 - 8**

**06.03.2024 - Eastern Zone Swimming Sports**

**26.02.2024 - 28.02.2024 - Year 4/5 Camp Coopers Beach**

Kia Ora e te whānau,

Welcome to new students Tiya-Marie Dyason who has joined Kowhai class and Jayde Tatai who has joined Rimu class.

### Water Safety

This week we have been fortunate to have water safety lessons for all classes with Nancy Murray from Water Skills for Life. Water skills for life is made up of seven competency areas that contain 27 core skills establishing broad fundamental competencies for life long water safety.



### Camp

The students in Totara and Ngaio classes will be going to camp at Coopers beach from February 26th- 28th. If you have not yet completed the permission form for this could you please do so as soon as possible. Students in years 6 - 8 will be going to camp later in the term and junior school students will be involved in trips and activities in the week of 26th February - 1st March.

Notices have already been sent out relating to the junior school activities. Details of the camp for years 6 - 8 will be sent at a later date.

### Board of Trustees

All schools in NZ are governed by a Board of trustees. The board's role is to oversee the governance of its school and to ensure that everything that needs to be done gets done - legally, ethically, and as well as possible in the best interests of its students.

School boards meet regularly. The meetings are not public meetings, but they are "open to the public". This means that even if you're not a member you are welcome to attend as an observer although you may not have speaking rights. Craig Messenger is currently the presiding member of our school board. Our next meeting will be on Tuesday 20th February at 5.30pm. As we have had some recent resignations from our board we will be looking to co-opt some new members, we will put more information out regarding this in the next few weeks.

## Bike track

It is great to see our students using the bike track during their lunchtimes, classes are allocated different days each week when they are able to use the track. A reminder that anyone wanting to use the track outside of school hours needs to complete a contract and pay a small fee (this is used for ongoing maintenance) you will then be given a code for the gate so that you can access the track.



## School docs

All our school policies and procedures are available on our school website for whanau to access. One policy is our Code of Conduct which is required to be shared at the start of each year. Oruaiti School is committed to providing a safe and healthy environment for students, staff, and visitors. Our Code of Conduct serves as a reminder to all parents, caregivers, and school visitors that their conduct must support everyone's emotional and physical well-being, and not harm it in any way. The school's board has set this Code of Conduct as a condition of entry. [Link to full code of conduct](#) The community login details for [School Docs](#) are as follows:

User Name: oruaiti

Password: oruaiti0494

## School Assemblies

Our school assemblies are held every second Friday, our first one being last Friday 9th February. All classes take turns in running our school assemblies, class teachers will let you know when your child's class is on assembly if you were wanting to attend. Assemblies are a celebration of student achievement as well as letting students know what is happening in the coming weeks.

## Swimming Sports

Our school swimming sports will be held on Tuesday 20th February. Starting with the 8 year olds at 9.30a.m 11 and 12 year old races will start after 11.00am. Children will be swimming in age groups based on how old they will be on the 22nd March This is the criteria that has been set for the Far North competition which will be held on that date.

All races will be timed and the three students with the fastest times will be eligible for the Eastern Zone competition to be held at Taipa on Wednesday 6th March.

## Uniform

A reminder that black footwear are required as part of our school uniform. These may be shoes, sandals or jandals, crocs may also be worn (as long as they are black) Shoes with a small amount of white are also permitted.























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## School Lunches

This is our school lunch menu for February.

A reminder that if your child does not want to be part of the school lunch programme please let their class teacher know. Students need to be either 'in or out' of the programme. They can not 'pick and choose' days they want or don't want the lunch that is on the menu. The company who provide our school lunches need to know of changes two weeks in advance so they are able to manage their food ordering.

## Menu for February 2024

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

## Puriri Class 'All about Me' Sneaker art.

