Oruaiti School Newsletter

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Thursday 23 November 2023

Important Dates to Remember

23.11.2023 - Market Night 4.30pm - 6.30pm

27.11.2023 - Teacher Only Day (No school for students)

26.11.2023 - 01.12.2023 - Year 8 at Tongariro

28.11.2023 - Year 5/6 trip to Adrenalin Park

04.12.2023 - Junior School trip to Movies

06.12.2023 - Junior school Golf/Beach trip

06.12.2023 - Year 7/8 Paint Ball trip

Kia Ora e te whānau,

We are getting close to the end of the year, with lots of fun trips and activities coming up. Please keep an eye out for google forms and emails and alerts for details of specific class events.

Golf Day

We had a very successful Golf Day last week raising over \$22,000!

A HUGE Thank You to all those who supported this event, donating items for the auction, entering a team or helping out on the day. The profits from this day will go towards subsidising camps and trips in 2024. All students at Oruaiti School benefit from the funds raised at this event, so support from our whole school community is greatly appreciated. Being able to make a wide range of Education activities outside the classroom affordable for all whanau is important to us. Our Friends of the School group work really hard to organise this event. It would be great to have a few more people in this group!



Far North Athletics

Congratulations to the following students who placed in the top three in events held in the Far North Athletics competition: Levi Gruebner, Astra Gruebner, Anik Benitz, Indy Van Iperen, Kassidy Lee-Taipari and Jessica Neho.

Chromebook Evening

We will be holding an information evening on Tuesday 28th November at 5.00pm for whanau of students who will be in year 4 in 2024. This evening will be to provide information regarding the devices that we are asking whanau to purchase for students.

We ask that all students entering year 4 purchase their own devices if possible. Students are then able to bring these devices home (After whanau have completed a kawa of care) so that they are able to continue their learning at home. Specifications of the devices available for purchase will be shared as well as details of warranty, insurance and finance options. If you are unable to attend this evening and would like the information sent home with your child please let us know.

Teacher Only Day

A reminder that all teachers will be involved in a Teacher only day relating to the refresh of the curriculum. There will be no school for students on Monday 27th November.

Bike Riding

This week all students have been having fun on our school bikes. Our bike track will not be officially opened until January 26th 2024, however Willie has very kindly mown tracks on the bottom field and on the hill behind the school so that students can start learning skills that they will be able to use on the bike track once it is opened.



Buckets Up

Our annual buckets up event will be happening after prize giving on Monday 11th December. For those who are new to our school, each family is supplied with a bucket to fill with items. Some ideas on what past buckets have had in them are Christmas decorations, toys, groceries, plants, fresh vegetables, vouchers, or frozen meat. Please no second hand or expired items. We sell tickets at the school office for \$2 each. Names are drawn and if you have the lucky ticket then you choose a bucket to take home. We keep drawing names until all the buckets have been won. Buckets will need to be by Monday morning 11th December.

Year Eight Hillary Outdoors Camp

Our year 8 students are heading off to the Hillary Outdoor Pursuits camp at Tongariro on Sunday. This is an amazing experience for our students. We are very fortunate to have a wonderful couple in our community who donate a large amount each year to help fund this experience for our students. We hope they have a fantastic time and have lots of stories to share when they get back.



Library Books and home readers

As it is getting close to the end of the year we would appreciate it if you could 'have a hunt' for any library books or home readers/journals you might have at home. Support staff will be looking at stock taking in the coming weeks so that we can purchase any replacements we might need for 2024.

Camp 2024

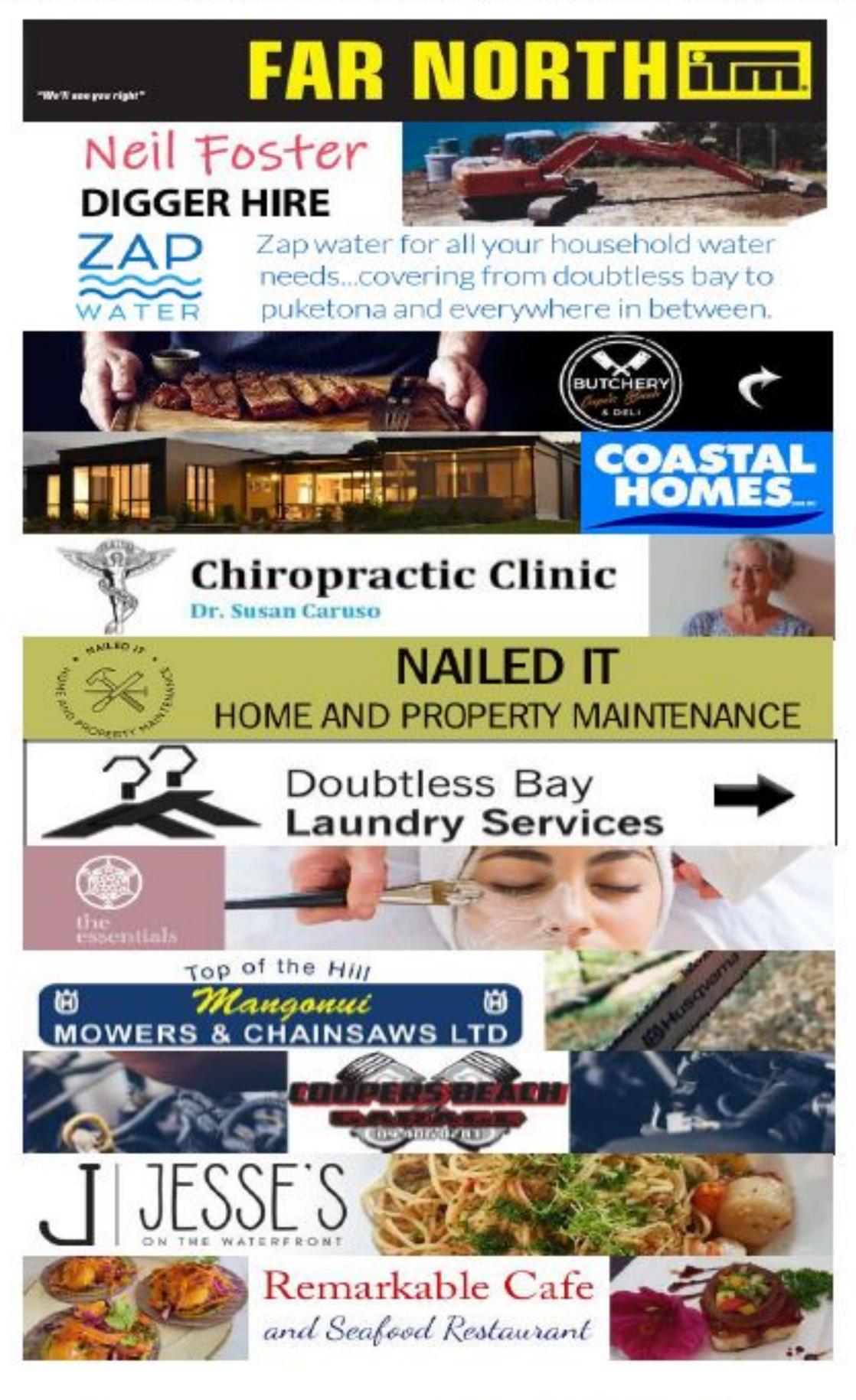
We are starting to plan camps for 2024 (Hopefully not when there will be a cyclone!) We may need parents support overnight for these camps which means that any parents wishing to stay will need to be police vetted. Forms will be available at the office or on our website for whanau to collect to begin this process. Any parents who have previously been police vetted will need to do this again if their last police vet was over three years ago. Please check with Diane if you're unsure.

School App

Our school app has been updated. If you do not already have the school app please download it as this is one of the places we post information, especially if there are changes at short notice. Details of how the app can be downloaded are on the school website. Thank You to the following businesses who have sponsored our school app.

Oruaiti School

Thanks to the below businesses for sponsoring our snApp school app:



If you would like to advertise on the Oruaiti snApp School App please email admin@snapp.co.nz

To download our app: In Google Play & App Store search 'SchoolAppsNZ & choose School once installed.



Holiday Surf Programmes | Dec & Jan

Surfing is an amazing sport that will challenge, entertain, and educate.

Our popular 'Holiday Surf Programmes' give kids the confidence to be active and have fun in the ocean through the enjoyment of learning how to surf.

Where: Taupo Bay & Tutukaka Coast

Dates: 18-22 Dec | 8-12 Jan | 15-19 Jan | 22-26 Jan

29 Jan-2 Feb

We provide surfboards, wetsuits together with fun & enthusiastic surf coaches.





Free Surfing | Break-Away

- Funded by Break-Away
- Free for 11-18 year olds who school in Northland / Far North
- Small cost for those 6-10 years









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