## Oruaiti School Newsletter

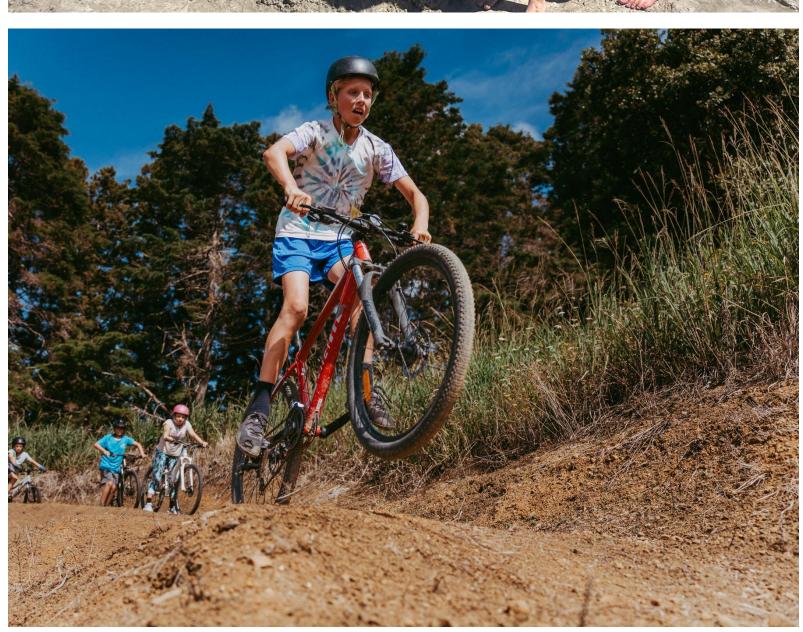
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Thursday 28 March 2024

## Term 1, Week 9, Thursday 28 March 2024

Important Dates to Remember

29.03.2024 - 02.04.2024 - Easter break - No School

12.04.2024 - Last Day of term one

30.04.2024 - First day of term two (Tuesday)

Kia Ora e te whānau,

We hope you all have a great Easter break, enjoy the extra long weekend, see you all back at school on Wednesday 3rd April.

#### Whanau meetings with teachers

We are happy to talk with whanau regarding student concerns or anything you would like to share with us. We do ask that if you are needing to meet with teachers you email them to make an appropriate time for this. The mornings are very busy times for teachers, when they are in classes to greet students and make sure that they have everything planned for successful teaching and learning. We would appreciate it if you could schedule any meetings you need to have with teachers outside of this time.

#### **Netball**

Thank You to all those who have completed the form for netball. if there is any more interest for Netball, please fill in the form ASAP

This is the link: Netball Oruaiti School 2024

Thank you also to those whanau members who have volunteered to coach, manage or umpire, without your support we are not able to enter teams.

#### **New staff**

We welcome Dianne Henwood to our team at Oruaiti School. Dianne will be teaching in Puriri class starting in term two for the rest of 2024

#### **Girls Football Tournament**

Well done to the group of year 4 - 6 Girls who competed in the soccer tournament 2 week ago. Thank you to the whanau who supported these students and helped out with the organisation of the teams.



#### **GIRLS FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT**

Everyone was excited as they got into position and waited for the horn to blow. On Friday the 15th of March girls from Eastern Zones came to Taipa for the girls soccer tournament. At the tournament there were students from Year 3 to year 6 in mixed teams. There were multiple schools playing in the tournament such as Peria, Oruaiti, Kaingaroa, Paparore and Mt Hobson cheers and shouts of encouragement came from the parents on the sidelines who were watching and congratulating their kids.

A lot of kids were kicking balls and scoring goals and cheering for their teams. The tournament was a five a side competition. Each team had two people at the back defending and three people were at the front. Each team played about seven games.

Penny, who was in charge of the Oruaiti students, said that everyone did really well.

Although there were some people crying they kept playing on. Rose B got hit in the nose and got a blood nose but that didn't stop her, she laughed and kept playing.

One player, Ashlyn Thomas said "I was really fun, even though I was hot and hurt"

At the last horn the players knew they had pushed themselves to their highest limit. They had a lot of fun and were excitingly proud of themselves.

By Olivia, Alexis, Maliya, and Ashlyn.

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#### **Easter Raffle**

Our year eight students who will be travelling to the Hillary Outdoor pursuits centre in Tongariro later in the year, ran a very successful Easter Raffle. This was drawn last week with the winners being:

1st Place - Uncle Shaun

2nd Place - Allen Larkan

3rd Place - Susan Newman

Photo of prizes with the students who sold the winning tickets.

#### **Year 4/5 Tryathlon**

On the 18th of March, screams of encouragement was all we heard, there were people everywhere it was our 2024 tryathlon.

The year fours and fives got ready to jump into the pool. The confident swimmers did three lengths of our Oruaiti pool and the not so confident swimmers only did one lap.

After the kids hopped out of the pool they ran down to the bottom field and started biking, everyone did three lengths of biking around the field.

Once they finished the three lengths of biking, the bikers dropped their bikes that they were using and took their helmets off and started running. Everyone did two laps of running, some people had marshalls running with them too.

I heard someone say it was so fun but so tiring at the same time. Marika said "It was fun and made her bones stronger" and she felt very proud. I also heard so many good words and everyone worked together. We even heard a marshall say it was so hot and well set up too.

That was our 2024 tryathlon with Tortora and Ngaio year fives and fours. Everyone had a lot of fun.

By Thea and Brielle

Kauri class have been looking at stories from Te Hiku o te Ika a Maui relating to the history of our local areas.

## **Ngati Kahu Histories**

### **Far North Swimming**

Well done to all our students who competed in the Far North swimming competition last week. Unfortunately the Northland competition in Dargaville has been cancelled this year, however, the following students placed in the top three in various events and would have qualified for this competition: Logan Foster, Astra Gruebner, Levi Gruebner, Indigo Smith, Jimmy Guhl, Estella Thompson-Harris, Remi Sawers, Ollie Garton, Eva Foster, Jessica Neho, Johnny Sok, Mostyn Bridson, Jay-Jay Houtas and Sam King.

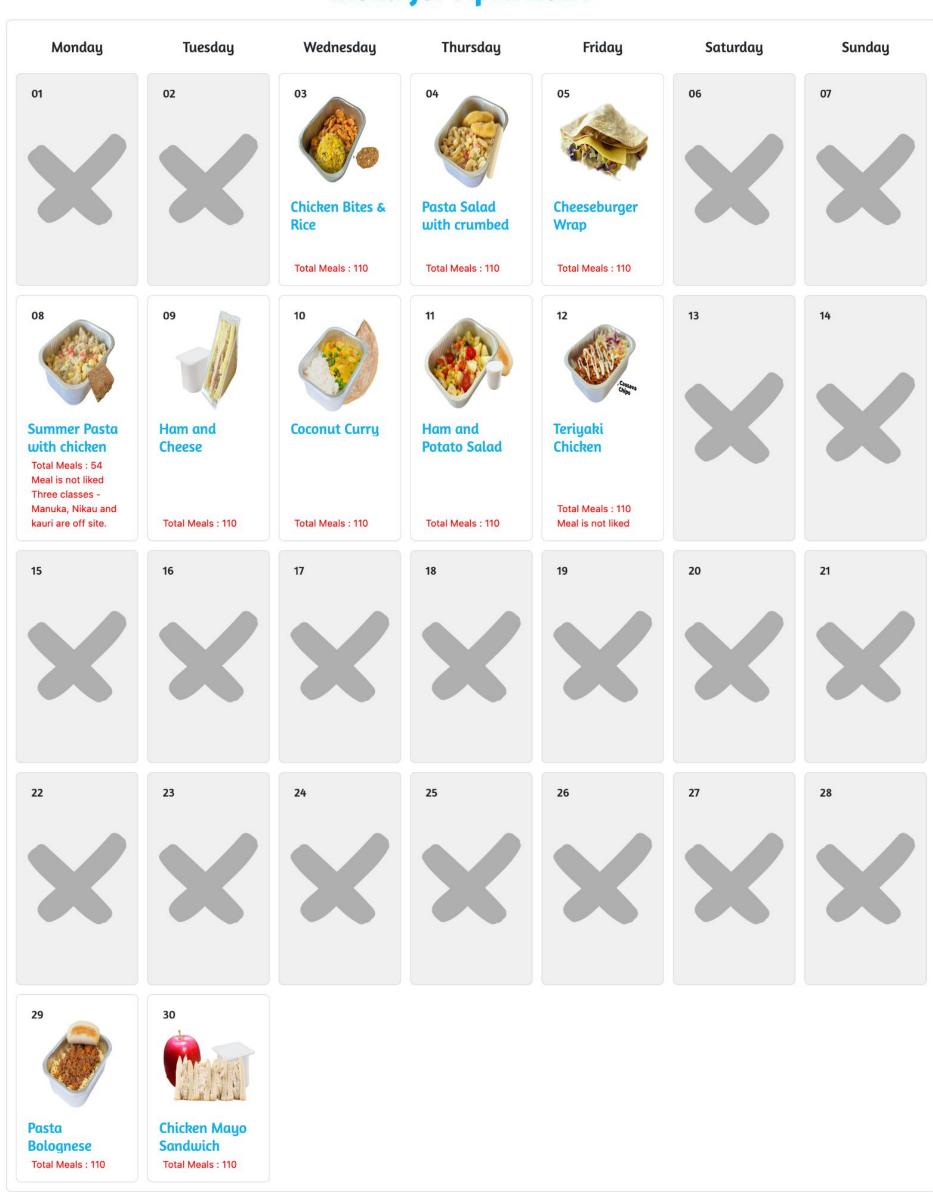






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#### Menu for April 2024



Raffle- win a trip to school in a fire truck
Don't forget to get your tickets for this raffle.
Tickets on sale from the school office.



#### **Disco next week - Wednesday**

Juniors Years 1 - 3 (Kowhai, Rimu and Puriri classes) 4.00pm - 5.30pm Seniors Years 4 - 8 (Totara, Ngaio, Kauri, Nikau and Manuka classes) 5.45pm - 7.15pm



