Oruaiti School Newsletter

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Friday 31 March 2023

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Important Dates to Remember

06.04.2023 - Last Day of Term One

24.04.2023 - Teacher Only Day

25.04.2023 - Anzac Day

26.05.2023 - First Day of Term Two

Kia Ora e te whānau

Welcome to new students Rawden Hita who has joined Ngaio class and Richy Hita who has joined Nikau class.

As this will be our last newsletter for the term, we wish you a safe and relaxing term break. Just a reminder that we have a Teachers Only Day on Monday 24th April and ANZAC Day on Tuesday 25th April so term two starts on Wednesday 26th April.

Junior School Trip to Butlers Point

Our junior school students had a great trip to Butlers Point last week. They learnt about the whaling in our local area and also learnt about how Mangonui got its name.





Far North Swimming

We had 18 students from our school who represented the Eastern Zone at the Far North swimming sports last week. Nine of our students are now eligible for the Northland competition which will be held in Dargaville on Friday. Congratulations to the following swimmers who qualified for Northland.

Astra Gruebner - 3rd 8 year girls freestyle, 1st 8 year girls breaststroke

Liam Smith - 1st 9 year boys freestyle, 1st 9 year boys backstroke, 1st 9 year boys breaststroke

Alec Lowe - 2nd 10 year boys freestyle, 2nd 10 year boys backstroke, 1st 10 year boys breaststroke

Pia Guhl - 2nd 10 year girls freestyle

Levi Gruebner - 1st 11 year boys freestyle, 2nd 11 year boys backstroke, 1st 11 year boys breaststroke

Georgie Lowe - 1st 12 year girls freestyle, 1st 12 year girls backstroke, 1st 12 year girls breaststroke, 1st girls open butterfly

Cattleya Reina Cabrera - 3rd 9 year girls backstroke

Eva Foster - 2nd 8 year girls breaststroke

Jake Hailstone - 2nd 10 year boys breaststroke







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Disco

What a great night last Thursday! The students had so much fun, I don't know where they get the energy from! We couldn't believe the singing by the senior students, we know the songs to play at assemblies now to get them all singing.





Technology - Year 7 & 8's

It has been exciting to have the inclusion of technology based at our own school this term for our Year 7 and 8 tamariki. We have 3 areas of technology which our learners have been really enjoying, Food Technology, Soft Materials Technology and Hard Materials Technology. Within each of these subjects our students are being encouraged to design, research and make items that use a range of skills and processes to give them lifelong learning skills to use in the future.

Our tamariki attend for half a day each Monday with Whaea Jorja running our soft materials programme, Mr Pickard overseeing our Hard Materials Technology and Whaea Cindy in charge of our Food Technology programme. We look forward to sharing our learning with you as the year continues.







ANZAC Day

ANZAC Day falls before the start of term two this year. As we always do we will be laying a wreath on behalf of Oruaiti school at the cenotaph in Mangonui. We usually have group of students who join the march through Mangonui to the cenotaph. If your child/children would like to join this march they will need to be in school uniform and meet in Mangonui on the morning of ANZAC Day. I will send out further details, regarding the time students will need to meet, when I have them. I will send an alert with information during the term break.



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Bikes

We were very fortunate to receive 10 brand new bikes from an initiative between Programmed and the Ministry of Education. It is great for our students to be using these bikes to improve their skills. We will be running a bike education programme with Sam Moe in term two.

Health and PE Survey.

Thank You to those who completed the online survey for Health and PE. It was a bit disappointing that we only had 10 responses to this survey. We will collate the responses and send out a brief summary at a later date. Congratulations to Ann Hills who was the winner of the \$50 petrol voucher lucky draw.





