

Welcome back everyone - Term 2 is underway with everyone back looking refreshed and ready for a busy term.
The weather is certainly cooling down, and with the passing of May 1st - we now enter the winter months!!
Lucky our new buildings have state of the art heating, not to mention special 'thermo' technology that retains natural heat in the building when we want it.

A big welcome to all our new families who have started at Ohope Beach School this term.

SANDPIT, BIKES AND FUNDRAISING

We have been busy over the holiday period - the new sandpit outside Manuka Space (replacing the garden) has now been completed with decking around the edges - just waiting on the sand - it should be here today or tomorrow?
Our new Bike Sheds (Blue Containers on the field) are now in place and we are waiting for the bikes to arrive - they should be here this week?
Some new exciting additions to our school and programmes.

A big thank you to all our families and our Fundraising Committee who have assisted with the funding of these projects through various fundraising efforts over the last year or so!
Watch out for the next Fundraising effort starting with the School Cross Country (information about this will come out soon).
We will be raising funds to go towards new playground equipment on the senior playground, and a sun/rain shelter over the Amphitheatre.

WINTER TERM FLU SEASON!!

Schools by their very functional nature are a real breeding ground for various bugs, we do our best to minimise the ongoing problem - but we do need all families to do their bit to minimise the spreading of the various bugs.
Some simple healthy practices to avoid sickness this winter:

- Wash hands thoroughly after toilet use and before eating
- Cover mouth with elbow when sneezing
- Use tissues to wipe noses (all classes have a supply of tissues)

Important Dates:

Tuesday 7th May – Paid Union Meeting
Thursday 16th May – Cyber Safety Information Meeting
Thursday 30th May - Open Day for parents to walk the Cross Country track, starting 11.30am.
Friday 31st May – Whakatane Schools Teacher Only Day
Monday 3rd June – School Closed – Queen's Birthday Holiday
Wednesday 5th June – School Cross Country (Thursday 7th Postponement date)
Tuesday 11th June - Interschool Cross Country
Tuesday 18th June – EBOP Cross Country
Wednesday 3rd July – STUDENT LED CONFERENCES – more details will come out soon about these
Thursday 4th July - STUDENT LED CONFERENCES - more details will come out soon about these
Friday 5th July – End of Term 2

- Do not share drink bottles or food
- Get plenty of sleep
- Eat healthy and exercise

Please make sure if your child is presenting with the symptoms of the flu, sore throat, rashes, aching body etc. that you keep them home and take them to a Doctor or Pharmacy to get checked out.
Sending them to school with the early stages of any of these bugs only means the spread goes further faster!!
Also let the school know what your child has been diagnosed with, so that we can be aware of what virus is present in the school and take any necessary preventative action that we can.

SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN ONLINE - FAMILY ZONE PARENT MEETING – We will be holding a second Family Zone Cyber Safety Parent Information event on Thursday 16th May 2pm at school.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES ELECTIONS

7 June 2019

All of New Zealand's state and state-integrated schools have a board of trustees. The board of trustees is the Crown entity responsible for the governance of the school. The board is the employer of all staff in the school and is responsible for setting the school's strategic direction in consultation with parents, staff and students, and for ensuring that its school provides a safe environment and quality education for all its students. Boards are also responsible for overseeing the management of personnel, curriculum, property, finance and administration.

This three-minute video is for use with prospective trustees and briefly outlines what trusteeship is all about.

<https://www.trustee-election.co.nz/becoming-a-trustee/>

EVENT	DATE
Select Returning Officer by	Wednesday 1 May 2019
Close Main Roll	Noon Wednesday 8 May 2019
Call for Nominations by	Friday 10th May 2019
Close Supplementary roll	Noon, Wednesday 22 May 2019
Nominations Close	Noon Friday 24 May 2019
Voting Papers Sent by	Wednesday 29 May 2019
Election Day (voting closes)	Noon Friday 7 June 2019
Count Votes	Thursday 13 June 2019
Board Takes Office	Friday 14 June 2019

PRIDE VALUES

P – Positivity - We participate in all activities with enthusiasm. We say kind and positive words.

R – Respect - We listen and use our manners. We care for ourselves, our belongings, the environment and each other.

I – Integrity - We make the right choices and do as we say. We are trustworthy.

D – Diligence - We try our best in all activities and take on challenges. We work hard to achieve our goals.

E – Empathy - We think about others and their feelings before we act.

Our focus this week is Positivity

Each fortnight at our Monday Morning assemblies, we present 2 to 3 children from each learning space with a Pride certificate related to the current Value focus and a coloured band. Whanau should be extremely proud if their child brings one of these home. Children who have also earned pride tickets around school or on the bus also go into a draw to win an ice block. This term those with the most Pride tickets or Pride points from each class also get to have a special treat on Friday.

At the end of this term all those who have received a PRIDE ticket go into a draw for prizes.

All Parents Please NOTE

The Paid Union meeting postponed from Term 1 will now be held on Tuesday May 7th 12:30pm (next Tuesday) - all Whakatane schools will be attending this meeting.

If you are able to arrange to collect your child at 12.30 it would be hugely appreciated. There will be limited supervision at school. As you are all aware we are still in negotiations with the Ministry for our contract. This meeting is to update us on the latest offer and decide next steps. Thanks for your support. Can you please indicate to your child's teacher (**or fill out the tear off slip on the notice sent home on Tuesday**) if your child/ren will or will not be collected – we will need to know for making supervision arrangements at school.

Regards
Tony Horsfall
Principal

WHAKATANE COMMUNITY OF LEARNING TEACHER ONLY DAY

Friday May 31st - (Friday before Queens Birthday Weekend) Early notification of a Teacher Only Day

Our Community of Schools (CoL) group is holding a Teacher Only day for our district on Friday May 31st - this is an opportunity for all the local teachers, Early Childhood through to Secondary to all come together for some shared professional development, sharing of information, skills and ideas.

All local schools will not be open for instruction on that day.

PHONE IN PUPIL ABSENCES - If for some reason your children are going to be absent from school, please telephone the school BEFORE 9.30am. As the school phone is busy during that first hour we have a system in place where you can leave a message and details of the absence without having to talk to Jenny. • Dial 312 4617 – When it answers with a pre-recorded message, dial 1 to be put straight through to the answer phone. • Leave the details of the absence (Child's name, room name & reason for absence i.e. sickness, bereavement etc.). Alternatively, txt to 027 750 3515 or email office@ohopebeach.school.nz

SUBWAY FRIDAY LUNCHES

Friday lunches are supplied by Subway Whakatane. To order your child's lunch you need to go to www.subway.co.nz/schools

Orders can be made at anytime during the week but must be completed by 9am Friday morning ready for the lunches to be delivered to school.

Please ensure you enter the correct classroom name so that the order gets to your child/ren.

Classroom names are –

Manuka – New entrant/Y1 (Mrs Hanlen/Ms Gouk, Mrs Swan

Kowhai – Y1 & Y2 (Ms Baker, Mrs Berquist, Mrs S Jones

Kahikatea - Y3 & Y4 (Ms Walker, Mrs J Jones)

Totara – Y4 & Y5 (Mrs England, Ms McKelvey Rimu – Y5 & Y6 (Mr McDonald, Ms Ward)

BADMINTON – Badminton for all students starts in the Whakatane Memorial Hall on Tuesday 7th May at 6pm. All fees to be paid by the end of May. Contact J Jones 3087101

WHAKATANE EMBROIDERER'S GUILD JUNIOR EMBROIDERY CLASSES 2019

Wednesdays 22 May – 26 June 3.30pm to 5pm at ATC Rooms end of Tuhoe Ave

Girls and boys from 9 years welcome. \$5.00 for 6 classes. Please contact either;

Miss Nancy Neilson or Mrs Peta McMillan

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Scholastic Book orders – Please complete orders by Friday May 10th. Cheques can be sent to the office by the above date. (**NO CASH orders**)

Hi, my name is Patricia and I work with children who struggle to keep up with their peers.

Signs & symptoms for **dyslexia** include:

- Difficulty reading;
- Slow reading & writing;
- Problems spelling
- Mispronouncing names or words or retrieving words.

<https://www.mayoclinic.org/diseases-conditions/dyslexia/symptoms-causes/syc-20353552>

Typical symptoms for **dyscalculia** include:

- Difficulty counting backwards;
- Difficulty remembering basic facts;
- Slow to perform calculations;
- Weak mental arithmetic skills;
- A poor sense of numbers;
- High levels of maths anxiety.

<https://www.dyslexia.uk.net/specific-learning-difficulties/dyscalculia/the-signs-of-dyscalculia/>

Specific Learning Difficulties (SLD) such as dyslexia and dyscalculia affect the way your child achieves at school. I can help.

I can provide evidence-based strategies and tools that will facilitate your child not to survive but thrive in today's educational environment.

If you're in need of assistance send me an email:

Patricia Sabourin B. Ed., Speld teacher nableyou2017@gmail.com

I look forward to supporting your child reach their goals.



OASIS

Due to the teachers paid union meeting this Tuesday the 7th May
Oasis will operate from 12:30 to 5:30PM.
Casual bookings most welcome!
\$5 per hour, per child, afternoon tea supplied.
Please pack their lunch.

For bookings contact Vanessa at hopeafterschoolcare@gmail.com or text 021 030 8960