

Kia Ora Koutou Katoa  
Rāpare 11 o Hui-tanguru ~Thursday 11th February

We are now into our second week of school and the classes are settling into their routines for 2021. We have welcomed our support staff back to school this week. Each learning space has a support staff member who is available to support students with their learning. Our swimming programmes are underway and it is good to see the students taking advantage of the pool and the lessons provided.

### **Apanui School:**

We really feel for our colleagues, the students and whanau of Apanui School following the devastating fire during the weekend. We have offered our support to the school and are keen to assist in any way we can. We have started a collection in the office which students and staff can contribute to. If you wish to make a contribution this can be made in the office.

### **Meet the Teacher Evening:**

We have decided to cancel the picnic part of tonight, due to the weather, but will still go ahead with the meet the teacher. The staff will be in their learning spaces from 5.30pm ready to meet with you and share the learning space with you.

Some of you will have more than one teacher to meet so we are keeping it informal; so that you have time to move about the school. The evening will conclude at 6.45pm.

Please feel free to arrange an appointment time with your child's teacher if you wish to meet further to have any in-depth discussion.

### **Road Patrol:**

This week we have had Constable Maree working with our new road patrollers and the staff. This is an important role and the children are very dedicated and committed to the responsibility they have taken on. Please be supportive of them as they carry out their role. Wait well back from the edge of the road, as you wait to use the pedestrian crossing, so they have good vision and are not distracted. The children are supported by an adult supervisor who is there to assist them. A big thank you to the community members who are carrying out this role for us. We really appreciate your support and dedication.

### **Assembly:**

We start our weekly assembly this Friday from 8.40am. Each week the assembly is hosted by a different team. Students from the team will facilitate the assembly which will include Pride certificates, Pride draws, sharing of class work and singing. This week Ngā Huiarau will be hosting the assembly. You are more than welcome to attend.

### **PRIDE Time:**

Each Friday from 12.00pm to 12.30pm we have Pride Time. This is in recognition of children who have been awarded pride points within their learning spaces. Pride points are awarded to children as they display the pride values of Positivity, Respect, Integrity, Diligence and Empathy. This term the children will have time at the beach with members of the leadership team.

### **Student Sports Shed:**

Our senior students have started to take on the various roles of responsibility that we have at school. It is great to see how dedicated the student sports shed monitors are at present. They have started to clean out the shed and will be looking at what new equipment we can make available for break times. The shed is open each morning tea and lunch break and is available for children to sign out sports equipment to play with and then return at the end of the break.

### **Teacher Development Day:**

The next Teacher Development Day is planned for Monday 22nd February. There will be no school on this day. This teacher development day is being held with the schools in our Community of Learning.

### Recycling:

A reminder that we have containers in the office for the recycling of toothbrushes, empty tooth paste tubes and pens. Children can bring these to the office and put them in the containers.

### Touch Rugby (Year 3-6):

Students who are interested in joining a touch rugby team (Year 3-6 only) have been given a permission slip today by Mrs Northey. These need to be back by Monday 15th February please. Return them to Mrs Northey in Ngā Huiarau.

### School Swimming Sports:

Swimming sports will be held on Monday 8th March at the pool in Whakatane. This will be for children from Year 4 to Year 6. More information will be available closer to the event.

### Market Day Fundraiser:

Please keep Friday 19th March free for our Twilight Market. This is an event being planned by our Friends of the School group. They will be providing more information as it comes to hand. The group is meeting this afternoon and will have more information about the event after this. For more information about booking a table or to simply book one please email: [OBSFundsTeam@gmail.com](mailto:OBSFundsTeam@gmail.com)

### Board of Trustees Meetings:

The Board meets twice a term to carry out their governance role. Meetings are usually held on Tuesdays at 5.30pm, the following dates have been planned but are subject to change if necessary.:

TERM 1: 2nd March & 30th March

TERM 2: 18th May & 22nd June

TERM 3: 10th August & 14th September

TERM 4: 2nd November & 30th November

### DATES FOR 2021:

#### TERM 1:

Wednesday 3rd February

Monday 8th February

Monday 22nd February

Friday 2nd April

Monday 5th April

Tuesday 6th April

Friday 16th April

Term 1 Starts

Waitangi Day Holiday – School closed

Teacher Development Day – School closed

Good Friday – School closed

Easter – School closed

Easter – School closed

Term 1 Ends

#### TERM 2:

Monday 3rd May

Friday 4th June

Monday 7th June

Friday 2nd July

Friday 9th July

Term 2 Starts

Teacher Development Day – School closed

Queen's Birthday Holiday – School closed

Teacher Development Day – School closed

Term 2 Ends

#### TERM 3:

Monday 26th July

Wednesday 11th August

Friday 1st October

Term 3 Starts

Teacher Development Day – School closed

Term 3 Ends

#### TERM 4:

Monday 18th October

Monday 25th October

Wednesday 15th December

Term 4 Starts

Labour Day Holiday – School closed

Term 4 Ends

Nga mihi

Cathryn Naera - Principal



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(Registered Social Workers, Kahui Ako)

- A **FREE** course
- **Start Date:** Friday 5<sup>th</sup> of March 2021
- **End Date:** 18<sup>th</sup> June 2021
- For 13 weeks – **excluding** school holidays
- 09.30 a.m. – 11.30. (morning tea provided)
- **Venue:** St George's Anglican Methodist Church, Domain Road
- A Group of similar minded parents
- Couples and single parents
- **Sadly No child care facilities are available**
- But bring a pen, a smile and a commitment to attend

**Make a wise investment in your family**



## The Incredible Years School Age Programme for Parents For parents of Children from SCHOOL Age children Developed by

For more information about the above programme please see Angela Gouk at school.



### Ohope Beach School now has a School App!

Go to the App Store on your Apple or Android device and  
**Search 'SchoolAppsNZ'** to download the app onto your device.  
Then search 'Ohope Beach School' to find your school's app.

**Dr Carolyn Webster-Stratton**  
Presented by  
**Trained Facilitators**  
Contact us on **0272208102**



This parenting programme is designed to develop positive family relationships, empower parents to make changes and to manage difficult behaviour.

Practical step-by-step suggestions are provided on how to handle the everyday situations that parents face.

### **School App:**

Currently there are a number of communication tools in use for the school. We have set up a school app which you will be able to download and you will have access to school information on your mobile phone. You can download the app by searching for SchoolAppsNZ.

Once you have downloaded this app you will be prompted to search for the School.

You will be asked to select groups you wish to receive alerts from. You will be able to notify the school of student absences via the app either by phone or email.

We look forward to keeping our communication with parents as accessible as possible.