

**Kia Ora Koutou Katoa
Rāpare 16 Hui-tanguru ~ Thursday 16th 2023**

Thank you for your continued support of the school as we work through these challenging times that the country is facing. We are extremely grateful that Cyclone Gabrielle did not cause the devastation here that we are seeing in other parts of the country. Our thoughts are with the many families who have been affected. The Kahui Ako (Community of Learning) is looking at how we can support the regions. We will have more information on this as we plan our response.

Setting the Scene Interviews:

Next Wednesday 22nd February and Thursday 23rd February we will be holding this setting the scene interviews.

These sessions are an opportunity to meet with the teacher to talk about your child and how they have settled into the new year.

Interviews will run from 3.00pm to 6.00pm.

You can book a day and time by using link from the school website or by using this link <https://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz/code/e88jz>

iCoach4kids:

This year we are introducing a well-being programme to our classes. This is a programme designed to grow strong and confident children. The children in Year 3, 4, 5 & 6 (Kowhai, Kahikatea and Ngā Huiarau) will have a booklet to compliment the programme. This can be paid for in the school office or as an online payment to the school.

The cost of the booklet is \$10.00. We appreciate your payment of this.

Subway – Friday:

If you are ordering Subway for your child, please record their 2023 learning space so that we are able to deliver them quickly.

Just use Manuka, Kowhai, Kahikatea, Kauri or Ngā Huiarau for the room order.

The children, from each learning space, gather in one location for the distribution of the lunches. Thank you.

Sports Uniforms:

We have partnered with Osprey Sports to offer a range of products for the school. The online shop has a number of clothing items which you can purchase for your child to wear at school or for future sporting events. We will not be stocking the blue shirts anymore.



The online shop also have stocks of our House shirts.

All children are issued with a house shirt, free, on enrolment thanks to the generosity of our sponsors: Ray White Real Estate, Holland Beckett, Ōhope Medical Centre and New World. As your child grows you may want to purchase a bigger size shirt.

The online shop is now open and orders will close on the **20th February**. Once the shop closes it will take about 7 weeks for the shirts to arrive.

There is a shirt on display in the office if you wish to see what they are like.

Click on the link which will take you to the school shop.

<https://ospreysports.com/club-shops/104/>

School App:

Currently there are a number of communication tools available. We have set up a school app which you will be able to download and gives you 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 able to notify the school of student absences via the app either by phone or email. Other features will evolve over time.

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

**Contact Information:**

It is really important that we have the correct contact information for you and your child in the event we need to contact you.

Next week we will send home a sheet with the current contact details which we have for your child. We ask that you check these details and update us with any changes that may need to be made. Please send the form back to the school office if changes are required.

Ngā mihi
Cathryn Naera

