



**Kia Ora Koutou Katoa
Rāpare 13 Poutū-te-rangi ~ Thursday 13 March 2025**

It is hard to believe we are already halfway through the first term. Classes are settled and well into their programmes. The pool is still running, and we will make use of this for as long as the weather lets us.

Staffing Updates:

Tomorrow is the last day of school for Whaea Laura as she prepares for the arrival of her first baby. We wish Laura all the best as she rests before her due date.

Whaea Katy and Whaea Trusca will be teaching in Kauri for the remainder of the year. Katy will teach each Monday and Tuesday with Trusca teaching each Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. Both staff members have been coming in regularly for planning and relieving and are known to the children. If your child is in the class be sure to pop in next week to meet them.

Unfortunately, we have received the resignation of Whaea Robyn effective from the end of this term. Whaea Robyn works with our year 5 & 6 children in Ngā Huiarau and has made the decision to move to Australia to be closer to her children and grandchildren. We thank Robyn for the contribution she has made to Ōhope Beach School and wish her all the best for her new adventures. We are in the process of advertising for a new staff member ready for the new term.

Wairaka Marae Trip:

We would like to pass on our thanks to everyone who assisted us with our recent school trip to Whare o Toroa Wairaka Marae. We could not have carried out this experience without your support and organisation. We had an excellent crew who carried out hangi preparation on Thursday afternoon, and an excellent crew who put the hangi down early Friday morning and the many parents who assisted during the day on Friday. We really appreciate all the hard work that went into the organisation and facilitation of the day.

Thank you to Whaea Dana for her organisation and preparation for this experience.

Noho Marae:

Next week our Ngā Huiarau team will be staying at Te Whare o Toroa for their noho marae. The team will be split into two groups with group one attending Monday & Tuesday and group two attending Tuesday & Wednesday.

Ōhope Beach School Donations:

Unfortunately, we do not qualify for the government donation funding or free lunches which other schools in the area receive which is why we ask for donations to support the programmes we offer.

The donation is used for live shows, Life Education, transport to and from events, Science Expo, sports uniforms, and sports subsidies. We appreciate your donation which can be paid on a term-by-term basis or as a lump sum.

You can also set up an automatic payment to pay off the amount over the year.

Number of children attending Ōhope Beach School	Payment per term	TOTAL payment for the year
1 child	\$37.50	\$150.00
2 children	\$70.00	\$280.00
3 children	\$97.50	\$390.00

You can pay your donation using internet banking – please use “School Donation” as the reference and include your child’s name.

Our bank account details are as follows:

ASB – Whakatane 123253 0057930 00 A/c Name: Ōhope Beach School

**UPCOMING EVENTS
TERM 1**

Week 6:

Friday 14th March:

Assembly: Ngā Huiarau Whaea Holly

House Groups meet.

Week 7:

Monday 17th March:

Ngā Huiarau noho marae

Tuesday 18th March:

Ngā Huiarau noho marae

Wednesday 18th March:

Ngā Huiarau noho marae

Friday 21st March:

Surfing competition – Year 5 & 6 students

Assembly: Kowhai Mrs England

House Groups meet.

Sunday 23rd March:

Top School at Awakeri School

Week 8:

Friday 28th March:

Assembly: Ngā Huiarau Whaea Robyn

House Groups meet.

Week 9:

Tuesday 1st April

Cricket for Year 3 to 6 team/s.

BoT Meeting 5.30pm

Friday 4th April

Assembly: Kauri Whaea Zoe

Cultural Sports Day

House Groups meet

Saturday 5th April

Cultural Day

Week 10:

Monday 7th April

EBoP Golf

Friday 11th April

Assembly: Kowhai Whaea Dana

House groups meet – house group competition

Term one ends

Pitopito Korero:

Our senior children are keen and enthusiastic when it is their turn to present our morning Pitopito Korero. The children take time each morning to review their scripts and practice their pronunciation. The children have made an excellent start to the year, they are speaking with clarity, confidence and excellent pronunciation. It is also great to have super supportive students who step up when someone is away.

This week the whakataukī we are sharing is:

“He waka eke noa”

This whakataukī means:

“A canoe we are all in together.”



Week 5



Week 6

PRIDE Certificates

Congratulations to the students who have received a Pride Certificate for demonstrating our Pride values at school. Great work everyone. Keep up the excellent work for the rest of the year.

Great smiles from our recipients in this photo.

Tumeke.

Pride Certificates Week 4 & 5



Environment Trophy:

Each week a trophy is awarded to a learning space for looking after their environment both inside and outside.

Thank you to all the children for modelling kaitiakitanga in our kura, we look forward to seeing you model this throughout the year.

Week 5 Kauri Laura







Positivity **R**espect **I**ntegrity **D**iligence **E**mpathy



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Beach
School
Marae
Experience.



Term Dates: 2025	HOUSE GROUP SPONSORS
<p>Term Dates 2025: Term 1: Monday 3rd Feb. to Friday 11th April Term 2: Monday 28th April to Friday 27th June Term 3: Monday 14th July to Friday 19th Sept. Term 4: Monday 6th Oct. to Tuesday 16th Dec.</p> <p>Teacher Development Days 2025: TERM 1: Friday 7th February TERM 3: Friday 15th August</p> <p>2025 Statutory Holidays in term time: TERM ONE: Thursday 6th February – Waitangi Day</p> <p>TERM TWO: Monday 2nd June – King’s Birthday Friday 20th June – Matariki</p> <p>TERM FOUR: Monday 27th October – Labour Day</p>	<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around;"> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>Ōhope Medical Centre Tohorā</p> </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>Four Square Paea</p> </div> </div> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; margin-top: 20px;"> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>Holland Beckett Aihe</p> </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>Ray White Real Estate Mangōpare</p> </div> </div> <p style="text-align: center; margin-top: 20px;"><i>Thank you to our House Groups Sponsors who enable us to have house shirts for the students.</i></p>



Seasons



Next term we will start another round of the Seasons for Growth programme at Ōhope Beach School. This programme is where a companion will work with a small group of children of similar ages to complete activities around each season for 8 weeks. This could mean changes in a child’s life, moving houses, towns, school, cities, countries, a death of a close one, separation anxiety, change in circumstances, changes in working circumstances to name a few. Children are given options to talk about their change, loss and grief, understand their feelings and explore other approaches to build on these skills by integrating them. This is an educational based programme.

This successful programme has been run at OBS for the last four years and is for 6-year-olds and upwards and there has been many positive comments from both whanau and tamariki involved.

If you think this might be suitable for your child text me on 027 2593200 or email me on angela@ohopebeach.school.nz for more information

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