

KIA ORA KOUTOU 7 August 2025 #11

Kia Ora Koutou Katoa Rāpare 7 Here-turi-kōkā ~ Thursday 7 August 2025

We are well into term three now and looking forward to the spring season which will soon be with us.

Next Friday, 15th August, we have a Teacher Professional Development Day. There will be no school for the children. Skids are running a programme for the day if you are interested. See the flyer in this newsletter.

Board Elections:

This year elections are being held for School Boards. School boards have a three-year term and are responsible for the governance of the school. Jenny McKenzie is our Returning Officer, and you will receive correspondence from her throughout the process.

We will be seeking the election of **five** parent representatives with our election being held on Wednesday 17th September.

If you are interested in finding out more about the role have a chat with our current Board members: Sharnika Dowthwaite, Felicity Hernandez, Paul Wilson & Steve Franklin. I am also available should you have any questions.

Information about the process and nomination information can be found at the end of this newsletter. Nomination forms are available from the school office or by email request to office@ohopebeach.school.nz

Nominations close at noon on Wednesday 13th August 2025.

Calendars/ Diaries:

This term the children will be completing a piece of art that will be the feature of their calendar/diary work. This is a fundraiser to support our new play shed purchase. Order forms will come out next week and we would like all orders back by Friday 5th September.

School Photos:

This year our photos will be taken by "Lazer Photos" on Tuesday 26th August. Envelopes for ordering photos have been sent home with the students. These can be returned to the office or you can order via this link.

Online Ordering Link - https://lazerphoto.co.nz/products/ohope-beach-school

Parking:

Unfortunately, we have received an email about people blocking driveways when they are parking on Pohutukawa Avenue. If you are using this parking area, please remember to leave driveways clear for the residents. Thank you.

EBoP 7's Tournament:

We would like to thank all the parents who assisted with the netball and rugby sports day last week. After the dreadful weather on the Wednesday the football was postponed but the remaining sports were able to go ahead and had a beautiful sunny day for their games. Thank you for assisting with transport, coaching, managing and supporting. We appreciate this support as it enables our children to take part in these events.

Staff Carpark:

We have had a number of children running or cycling through the carpark recently. Please remind your children about safety around the vehicles and to use the crossing outside the office steps. Thank you.

Ngā Peka Trip:

Last week our Ngā Peka team visited the museum in Opotiki. They had a great visit and learnt a lot about changes over time. The museum is an excellent resource and the curators were super helpful and kept the children engaged. Thank you to all the parents who attended the trip, this is really appreciated and supports the staff with the class programmes.

UPCOMING EVENTS

TERM 3

Week 4:

Friday 8th August:

Assembly: Ngā Huiarau, Whaea Sandy

House Groups meet

Week 5:

Wednesday 13th August: BOT Nominations close

Friday 15th August:

Teacher Development Day

Week 6:

Wednesday 20th **August:** Ngā Peka Olden Day Sports Event & Picnic

Friday 22nd August:

Assembly: Manuka

House Groups meet

Week 7:

Tuesday 26h August School Photos

Wednesday 27th August: Winter Sports for Years 5 & 6

Friday 29th August:

Assembly: Kahikatea, Whaea Cherie

Winter Sports for Years 3 & 4

Week 8:

Thursday 4th September Te Tiwai Sleep Over at school

Friday 5th September:
Assembly: Kauri, Miss Webb

House Groups meet

Week 9:

Tuesday 9th September: Bike Ready – Ngā Huiarau

Wednesday 10th September: Bike Ready – Ngā Huiarau

Science Expo

Thursday 11th September Bike Ready – Ngā Huiarau

Science Expo

Friday 12th September: Hot Dog Day Fundraiser

Assembly: Ngā Huiarau Whaea Holly



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 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: "Tama tū tama ora, tama noho tama mate" To thrive, one must be active. It's a reminder that staying active leads to good health. It encourages participation and exercise for well-being.







Week 4

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.



Pride Certificates Term 3 Week 2



Pride Certificates Term 3 Week 3

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 his throughout the year.



Term 3 Week 2 Kauri Whaea Trusca/ Katy



Term 3 Week 3 Kahikatea Whaea Cherie

Positivity Respect Integrity Diligence Empathy

Teacher Curriculum Development Day Friday 15th August

Term Dates: 2025

HOUSE GROUP SPONSORS

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.

Teacher Development Days 2025:

TERM 1: Friday 7th February **TERM 3:** Friday 15th August

2025 Statutory Holidays in term time:

TERM ONE:

Thursday 6th February – Waitangi Day

TERM TWO:

Monday 2nd June – King's Birthday Friday 20th June – Matariki

TERM FOUR:

Monday 27th October – Labour Day



Ōhope Medical Centre **Tohorā**



Holland Beckett **Aihe**



Four Square **Paea**



Ray White Real Estate **Mangōpare**

Thank you to our House Groups Sponsors who enable us to have house shirts for the students.

Tentative Dates for 2026		
Term 1	Monday 2 nd February to Thursday 2 nd April	Friday 6 th February – Waitangi Day Friday 3 rd April – Good Friday Monday 6 th April – Easter Monday (during the holiday)
Term 2	Monday 20 th April to Friday 3rd July	Monday 27 th April – ANZAC Day Monday 1 st June – King's Birthday Friday 10 th July – Matariki (during the holiday)
Term 3	Monday 20 th July to Friday 25 th September	
Term 4	Monday 12 th October – the end of year date is still to be confirmed	Monday 26 th October – Labour Day

We are still awaiting information about our Teacher Development Days before we can set our end of year date.

Kindling For Sale:

With these colder days you may be interested in kindling for your fire. We have kindling for sale at school. This is in partnership with Crew and boxes can be purchased for \$16.00.

Orders, with payment, can be made at the office.

Thank you for your support.



2025 School Board Parent Elections Ōhope Beach School

Nominations are open for the election of *5 parent representatives* to the school board.

Your nomination form is available at the office or by email request

You can use this form to nominate yourself or someone else in your community. We have nomination forms available in Te Reo Māori and some other languages. Please contact the returning officer if these are required.

Nominating yourself or someone else

If you are on the voting roll and eligible to vote, you can nominate yourself. Please remember to sign **both** parts of the form.

If you are nominating someone else, complete the nomination form and make sure it includes all the required contact details and signatures.

You can post, hand deliver or email your nomination form/s to the returning officer (see details below).

Nominations close at noon on Wednesday 13th August 2025.

Candidate statement

If you are a candidate, you are invited to submit an optional statement (up to 400 words) and photo. Make sure your statement is received by **noon on Wednesday 13**th **August 2025** so that it can be sent to voters with the voting papers.

The returning officer may remove or edit any part of the candidate's statement if it exceeds 400 words or is offensive or defamatory.

Electoral roll

The electoral roll is held at the school office and can be viewed during normal school hours.

Eligibility

Anyone can stand for election to the board, except for some exclusions. Please check information on who is not eligible. If not enclosed, ask the returning officer for this. If you are not on the voting roll you must be nominated by a person who is.

Scrutineers

A candidate may nominate a person to sit with the returning officer during the vote count to make sure it is done correctly. Scrutineers are also required for electronic elections if a recount is needed. Please advise the returning officer in writing of your scrutineer's name and contact details before election day. Candidates **cannot** be scrutineers.

Voting and results

Electronic voting will not be an option for this election.

If there are more nominations than vacancies for parent representatives, a voting election will be held. Eligible voters will be issued voting papers and candidate statements, on or before 20th August 2025.

The poll closes at 4pm on Wednesday 17th September 2025.

The highest polling candidates will be elected to the board, and results will be notified to the school community and other affected parties.

Post, hand deliver, or email completed nomination form/s to:

Jenny McKenzie Returning Officer 170 Pohutukawa Ave Ohope 3121

office@ohopebeach.school.nz

People who are not eligible to be school board members

The following people are not eligible to be school board members. A person who:

- is an undischarged bankrupt; or
- is prohibited from being a director or promoter of, or being concerned or taking part in the management of, an incorporated or unincorporated body under the Companies Act 1993, or the Takeovers Act 1993; or
- is a permanently appointed member of the Board staff, unless they are standing for election as a staff representative; or
- contracts or sub-contracts with the Board without the approval of the Secretary of Education and receives
 payments exceeding \$25,000 in any financial year. This would also cover situations where a person has a
 10% or more shareholding in the contracting company or a company that controls the contracting company;
 or
- is subject to a property order under the <u>Protection of Personal and Property Rights Act 1988</u>; or
- has been convicted of a specified offence identified in <u>Schedule 2</u> of the Children's Act 2014, unless that person has obtained a pardon or been granted an exemption; or
- is a person in respect of whom a personal order has been made under that Act that either the person is not competent to manage his or her own property affairs, or does not have the capacity to communicate/make decisions relating to his/her welfare/personal care; or
- is a person who has been convicted of an offence punishable by imprisonment for 2 years or more, or who has been sentenced to imprisonment for any other offence, unless that person has obtained a pardon, served the sentence, or otherwise suffered the penalty imposed on the person; or
- is not a New Zealand citizen, and is
 - o a person to whom section 15 or 16 of the Immigration Act 2009 applies; or
 - o a person obliged, by or pursuant to that Act, to leave New Zealand immediately or within a specified time, being a time that was less than 12 months; or
 - o deemed for the purposes of that Act to be in New Zealand unlawfully.

A returning officer for an election (or by elections) of board members is not eligible to be nominated as a candidate in that election.

For more information:

- see clauses 9 and 10 of <u>Schedule 23</u> of the Education and Training Act 2020 (the list below is a summary of these clauses).
- call NZSTA Advisory and Support Centre 0800 782 435, option 1.



Congratulations to our Green Team who carried out planting at the Ōhope Spit, with Halo, yesterday. The students worked from 9.00am to 12.00pm and planted a lot of trees. Manveer and Nicky, together, managed to plant 300 trees. We are very proud of our

students who are taking care of our environment. Tu meke.

























Do you have a whānau member that has difficulties regulating their emotions?

Difficulties might include: self-harming, suicide attempts, difficulties with anger, intense changing emotions and relationship problems

Family Connections, a free 12-week course could help:

- · Improve the relationship with your whanau member
- · Better understanding their experiences and behaviours
- · Learn skills to help manage your own wellbeing
- · Share experiences and develop a support network

Family Connections is an evidence-based programme based on Dialectic Behaviour Therapy (DBT) skills and is facilitated by trained Pou Whakaaro facilitators and trained whānau members. http://familyconnections.dbtnz.co.nz/

This is a free, two-hour, weekly programme over twelve Wednesdays. To register contact: catherine@pouwhakaaro.co.nz or 07 308 9430

Family Connections Programme
Starting: Wednesday's: 20/08 to 05/11 2025 (Aug -> Nov)
Time: 9:30am to 11:30am

Venue: Pou Whakaaro House, 1 Bracken Street, opposite Mitre 10