

KIA ORA KOUTOU 21 August 2025 # 12

Kia Ora Koutou Katoa Rāpare 21 Here-turi-kōkā ~ Thursday 21 August 2025

We are well into our third term now with plenty to get through before the end of the term. Thank you to our Road Patrol students and whanau who turn up each morning whatever the weather. You are doing an excellent job, keeping the students safe as they arrive or leave school.

Union Meeting:

On Monday 25th August our staff, who are union members, will be attending a meeting at Whakatane Intermediate School. The collective agreements for principals, teachers and support staff are all being negotiated at present. Staff will be at the meeting from 1.30pm.

If you can pick up your child at lunchtime this would be appreciated. If not, we will organise any staff who are not attending the meeting to supervise the students for the afternoon. A return slip will come home today which we would appreciate you returning tomorrow so we can plan for Monday.

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 can be returned by Friday 29th August.

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

Daffodil Day:

This year, Daffodil Day in New Zealand will be on **Friday, August 29th.** This is the Cancer Society's largest annual fundraising day to support those affected by cancer. Dress up in your yellow and green in support of Daffodil Day. We ask for a gold coin donation which will go to the cancer society.



Ngā Peka Olden Days Event:

Yesterday Ngā Peka had an olden days themed

day at school. The children have been making comparisons with the past and the present and this day was a chance to take part in how schools would have operated a number of years ago. It was great to see so many students dressed up and taking part in the various activities that were prepared. The games session was fun and challenging for the students. Thank you to all whanau members for the lunch contributions. We had a good team of staff and whanau to set up and clean up after the lunch. We appreciate the support you all provided.

Teacher Development Day:

Last Friday the staff worked with our Maths facilitator, Charlotte Wilkinson, on the new maths curriculum. The focus of the day was on planning and the implementation of the measurement strand. The maths curriculum covers Number, Measurement, Geometry, Algebra, Statistics and Probability. Our next development day will focus on the geometry strand. The staff are committed to continued professional learning as we implement the new mathematics curriculum.

Leadership Students:

At the recent Football 7's day three of our students took on a leadership opportunity. Gus, Lachie and Makai took up the challenge of coaching and managing a Year 3 & 4 football team for the day. They did an excellent job and supported our younger players throughout the day.

UPCOMING EVENTS TERM 3

Week 6:

Friday 22nd August: Assembly: Manuka

House Groups meet

Week 7:

Monday 25th August: Union Meeting 1.30pm

Tuesday 26h August School Photos

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

Thursday 28th August: Year 5 & 6 Maths Comp.

Friday 29th August:

Assembly: Kahikatea, Whaea Cherie

Winter Sports for Years 3 & 4

Calendar Orders close

Daffodil Day

Week 8:

Friday 5th September: Assembly: Kauri, Miss Webb

House Groups meet

Week 9:

Tuesday 9th September: Bike Ready – Ngā Huiarau

BOT Meeting 5.30pm

Wednesday 10th September: Bike Ready – Ngā Huiarau

Science Expo

Thursday 11th September Bike Ready – Ngā Huiarau

Science Expo

Te Tiwai Sleep Over at school

Friday 12th September:

Hot Dog Day Fundraiser for Ngā Huiarau

Assembly: Ngā Huiarau Whaea Holly

Week 10:

Tuesday 16th September:Ngā Peka attending Thornton School Production 12.30pm

Wednesday 17th September: Ngā Huiarau attening

Thornton School Production 12.30pm

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. Tino pai ngā Tamariki.

This week the whakataukī we are sharing is: "Whatungarongaro te tangata toitū te whenua" This whakataukī reminds us: As people disappear from sight, the land remains. This demonstrates the values of te ao Māori, and the utmost respect of Papatūānuku.





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.

> **Pride Certificates** Term 3 Week 4



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 4 Kauri Miss Webb



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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.













Tough Guy, Tough Gal Event photos. Looks like lots of mud and fun!

Ohope Beach School School Board Elections

Parent Election Results Declaration (no voting election required)

At the close of nominations, as the number of valid nominations was fewer than the number of vacancies required to be filled, I hereby declare the following duly elected:

Names

Dowthwaite, Sharnika

Forrester, Kyle

Franklin, Stephen

Wilson, Sarah

Signed ₋

Jenny McKenzie

Returning Officer























Congratulations to our students who took part in the Football 7's held on Friday 8th August. It turned into a very cold day, and you did well to complete your games. Thank you to the whanau that supported the students.

Our skipping photos are from our house group skipping competition held earlier this term. The children competed in a range of skipping activities including a relay round the bike track. Well done to the house captains who kept their teams motivated.