



OTAKIRI COUNTRY SCHOOL

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Kia ora koutou katoa

Dear Parents, Caregivers and Whanau

Welcome back to all our Junior School campers. It sounds like you had an amazing time in Papamoa. School was very quiet without you and we missed having you all around. Well done to Mrs Attwood and her team who organised some really wonderful experiences for these students. The teachers have all commented also on what a great group of caregivers that supported them during camp.

Congratulations to all our students who have competed recently in the Rangitaiki Rugby and Netball tournaments and also to those students who represented our school today at the Eastern Bay of Plenty Mountain Biking competition at the Onepu track. As always we have a massive group of students Daring to Dream.

I look forward to celebrating Pink Shirt Day tomorrow and I can't wait to see some of the costumes the students have been talking about wearing. Remember Pink Shirt Day is a day where we all take a stance and give our support to Stopping Bullying. As we know bullying can have a lasting impact on victims and we all have a part to play ensuring that all our students, whanau and community members feels safe. That is why as a school we are continually working with students to growth our schools LEAD values. These are the values we identified as a school community a few years ago that we wanted all our students to develop in order to be productive and positive citizens. I am proud of the efforts of students, staff and caregivers as we support one another to make Otakiri School a really great place to be. I have taken a few new families around the school in the last few weeks and the feedback I receive from them about the 'lovely' feel of our school is so positive. Students regularly welcome these visitors, unprompted, with a big kia ora or hello and I'm always amazed at the wonderful learning going on in each of the classes.

Keep up the great work team!!!!

Ngā mihi nui

Mike Mokai

No assembly

Next Friday 28th May there will be no assembly due to school Cross Country being held that afternoon.

Term 2 Teacher Only Day

The Board of Trustees have approved Friday the 4th of June as a Term 2 Teacher Only Day. This is the Friday that leads into Queen's Birthday Weekend. Teachers will be using this day to prepare mid-year assessments and continue their planning and development of our school's curriculum.



Don't forget to wear your favourite pink clothes tomorrow, pink hair and make-up is ok too. There are prizes to be won. Please bring a gold coin donation.

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Otakiri School Cross Country
Friday 28th of May
Postponement day: Tuesday 1st of June



Gold Team Races

Starting time: 1:00pm

- Race 1 - 8 Year olds - Across two paddocks, turn into race. Run past the popular tree and into paddock and around the trough then back to school, down the tree line, run between the soccer goal posts to finish
- Race 2 - 9 Year olds - Across the two paddocks, turn left up the race to the trough, back to school, down the tree line, between the soccer goal posts to the finish line
- Race 3 - 10-12+ - Noncompetitive - across two paddock, back to school, down the tree line, between the soccer goal posts to the finish line
- Race 4 - 10-12+ Competitive - Across two paddocks up the race and around the paddock closest to the school once - Timed

Blue Team Races

Starting Time - approx 1:45pm

- Race 5 - 7 year olds - Across two paddocks up the race to the poplar tree, back to school, down the tree line, between the soccer goal posts to the finish lines
- Race 6 - 6 year olds - Across two paddocks, left into the race, and to the corner tree. Then back to school, down the tree line, between the soccer goals posts to the finish line

Dates and Reminders

21st May – Tui Class trip to Manawahe; 28th May – Otakiri School Cross Country; 2nd June – Student Led Conferences- 3.15pm to 6pm; 3rd June – EBOP Rippa Rugby; 4th June – Teacher only day – NO SCHOOL; 7th June – Queens Birthday Public Holiday – NO SCHOOL; 10th June – Rangitaiki Cross Country; 11th June – Assembly 2pm; 25th June – Assembly 2pm; 2nd July – EBOP Gymnastics; 2nd July – Matariki Dinner; 9th July – Assembly 2pm.

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