

Newsletter



"Growing Great People"
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Kia ora Parents, Caregivers and Whānau,

It's hard to believe that we have reached the end of our first full term one in three years. There has been not one cancellation and not one interruption to our learning programme and this has seen our learners starting to feel the effects of a long, but rewarding term.

We have had a fantastic final week of learning and this has been a great way to end the term. Our learners have enjoyed participating in exciting and challenging experiences with the Rippa Rugby tournament and the snorkelling trip to the Marine Reserve. Each of these events provided their own unique opportunity to engage in learning in a different context, whilst highlighting our school values, learner qualities and our vision of 'Growing Great People'. Participation in these events and learning experiences are made possible by the fantastic parent support we receive. I've said this many times, but our school is lucky to have such a supportive group of parents and whānau who make attendance at these events possible. The time that you give to our school is greatly appreciated.

With the holiday break upon us, it is important for our learners to avoid the potential slippage that can occur from time away from school. Learning slippage can occur during holiday breaks, as learners may not be actively engaging in learning activities during this time. However, learners can continue to access educational materials and engage in learning activities, even when they are away from their regular classroom environment. Accessing online learning through our school and class sites, is another valuable way for learners to stay engaged and prevent learning slippage. Our sites include learning platforms such as Math Whizz, PM readers and our Math and Literacy Hubs. These online learning tools provide our learners with learning appropriate to their level that are supported by tutorial videos and practice follow up activities. By staying engaged in learning activities during holiday breaks, learners can reduce the risk of experiencing learning slippage and maintain their progress towards their educational goals.

It has been a busy but rewarding term of learning and next term is shaping up well to provide opportunities for our learners to continue to grow as great people. With events next term such as the gym festival and the Weetbix try challenges, quickly approaching, we will be hitting the ground running. Thank you to all of our parents, whānau, students, teachers and support staff who have made this term a highly successful one.

Enjoy a well deserved break and we will see you all next term, for an exciting ten weeks of learning. Stay safe and enjoy your term break! - Jonathan Poole - Tumuaki / Principal

**TEACHER
ONLY DAY**

**MAY
31
2024**

**SAVE
THE
DATE**

THIS IS A MINISTRY OF
EDUCATION ACCORD DAY
TO ENABLE TEACHERS TO
ENGAGE IN PROFESSIONAL
DEVELOPMENT AROUND
THE NEW ZEALAND
CURRICULUM REFRESH.

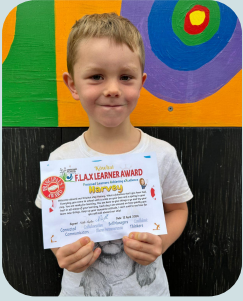
Key Dates Term Two

- 28th April - Working Bee
- 29th April - Term Two Starts
- 3rd May - Anzac Day Assembly
- 8th May - Inter School Football
- 17th May - Pink Shirt Day
- 22nd May - Gym Festival
- 29th May - Weetbix Try Challenge
- 31st May - Teacher Only Day
- 3rd June - King's Birthday
- 5th June - Fast Five Netball
- 19th June - Inter School Rugby 7s
- 19th - 21st June - Life Education
- 28th June - Matariki Public Holiday
- 2nd - 4th July - Learning Conversations
- 3rd July - Horo Hopu
- 5th July - Last day of Term

Note: Depending on circumstances we may not attend all events. Dates are subject to change.

F.L.A.X Award Recipients

HARVEY



Welcome aboard our Kōwhai ship Harvey. What a fabulous start you have had. Everyday you come to school with a smile on your face and a spring in your step. You are ready for learning. You are keen to give things a go and try your best in all areas of your learning. Each day I am amazed on how quickly you learn new things. Keep up your awesome attitude. I can't wait to see how far you will sail aboard our ship!

LYRIC

Lyric, your confidence in yourself and as a learner, has grown so much since the start of this term. You are a focussed learner and it is great to see you shine when you achieve success! You are kind and gentle and so supportive and helpful when others are stuck, upset or need a friend. How lucky we are, to have a Powerful Superhero like you in our class, Lyric - Ka mau te wehi!



JAMES

James, when you are set learning you get started straight away and this shows that you are in charge of your learning. You are always up for a challenge, in the classroom with your learning or outside playing. Your quiet manner makes you someone others like to sit beside because you focus on your learning. Powerful Learners know the importance of having the right learning spot and that's you James. Your are soaring to the moon Tū Meke!



MEG

Meg is a wonderful student to have in Rimu. She gives everything 100%. She's not afraid of hard mahi and gives her learning 100% effort and concentration. She is respectful and always ready to learn. Meg shone at the rippa tournament on Wednesday. She was a great team player and made sure everyone had their time on and off the field. She was good at creating space and really took on the feedback and changed her game. She was a true team player who supported her team from the sidelines too. Keep up the awesome attitude Meg!



CONGRATULATIONS..... GREAT PEOPLE TERM ONE



Congratulations to our Ormond School 'Great People' for Term One. These outstanding individuals have been stepping up and stepping out of their comfort zone to consistently demonstrate the Ormond School School values and Learner Qualities to be 'Great People'.
Ka mau te wehi!!

KEEP
NEW ZEALAND
BEAUTIFUL



TIDY KIWI AWARD - WEEK 11

Pōhutukawa

BE A
TIDY
KIWI



APRIL
2024
SCHOOL
HOLIDAYS

Virtual Reality

Monday 22 April 2024

Tamariki will explore a range of different Virtual Reality experiences and experiment with creating a VR experience of their own. The workshop will cover concepts of UX design, storytelling and 3D content creation.

Tamariki will be able to share their VR creations with whānau and friends after the workshop.

Game Development

Tuesday 23 April 2024

Tamariki will play some retro arcade style games with us and then start designing and building their own retro arcade-style game. The workshop will cover game narrative, block-based coding, character creation and UX design.

Tamariki will be able to share their games with friends and whānau after the workshop.

Coding and Electronics

Wednesday 24 April 2024

Tamariki will experiment with the Microbit, learning to program the small device to display light sequences, play sounds and control robotic cars.

Later in the day, tamariki will experiment with game design, using the Microbit to create a unique gameboard.

Tamariki must bring a packed lunch and drink bottle.

STEMM Workshops

Monday 22 April -

Wednesday 24 April

9am - 5pm daily

7-13 years / \$50 per day

Lawson Field Theatre

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Sunday 28th April 2024

9am - 12pm

Key Jobs:

Pruning trees, Weeding Gardens,
General tidying of school grounds

Please bring:

Spades / Rakes / Wheel Barrows / Pruners

Kai and refreshments provided

Thanks in Advance

Inter School Rippa Rugby



Congratulations to our Inter School Rippa Rugby teams. These 'Great People' showed all of the qualities of an Ormond School Learner to ensure that their day would be nothing but a success. Our boy's team came 10th overall and our girl's team finishing 4th place. Congratulations to Samuel Kerley and Zoe Gardner who received our teams MVP awards for the day. A fantastic achievement by all who took part. Kā mau te wehi!

Rippa Rugby Tournament Waikirikiri Park



Snorkelling at Te Tapuwae o Rongokako Marine Reserve



NOTICES & UPDATES

Teacher only day: Friday May 31st our School will be closed.

Ormond Schools major fundraiser for 2024, fundraising for a school van

 Save the Date

Quiz night 30th August

We are on the lookout for the following -

- Auction items
- Silent auction items
- Sponsors for tables and quiz rounds (\$100 each)
- Meat donations (for dinner)

If anyone can please help with the above or happy to ask businesses, that would be amazing!

Please let Ash or Zara know if you are able to help in anyway, thank you!

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