

# Newsletter



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Kia ora Parents, Caregivers and Whānau,

It is hard to believe that we are quickly approaching the last week of term 1. Although we have had an extremely short week due to the Easter break, there has been still plenty of great learning opportunities for our tamariki this week.

A huge congratulations to all of our students who put their hand up to participate in the Rural Schools Rippa Day held here at Ormond School. It was an fantastic event which was well supported by other rural and small schools in our region. All of those who took part can be proud of their efforts, as they were asked to step out of their comfort zones and quickly form relationships with students from other schools, to make the team required for this day. The most pleasing aspect of the day, was the number of our students who tried something new, which demonstrated our learner quality of confidence - ka mau te wehi. Thank you also to those parents who organised the fundraising stall for our Year Five and Six away camp. It was highly successful and provided some great revenue towards the cost of this learning experience for our senior learners.

We regularly talk to our learners about 'going into the learning pit' and you may have heard your child mention that they were in the pit during their learning. The learning pit is a metaphor for explaining what we do as learners, when we are confronted by a challenging or a new learning situation. We encourage our learners to go into the learning pit regularly! We want our learners to be challenged by their learning, but we also want them to be successful and acquire new knowledge because of this experience. It is important that when our learners are in the learning pit that they know how to get themselves out. This could be by asking a friend or an adult for help, researching for more information or ask appropriate questions to help with their understanding. It is also important that we as learners understand that we may not get the new learning straight away and it may take more than one try to get this, but as long as we don't give up, we will get it. The key message we want our learners to take from the learning pit metaphor is, yes, learning can be challenging and we need to go into the learning pit, but we must know how to get out, to further our learning and understanding.

Stay safe! Ka pai tō rā whakatā, have a great weekend - Jonathan Poole - Tumuaki / Principal

## Key Dates Term One

- **8th April** - Snorkelling - Rimu & Pōhutukawa
- **10th April** - Inter School Rippa Rugby
- **13th April** - Last day of Term One

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

## Key Dates Term Two

- **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

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**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.

# F.L.A.X Award Recipients

## JAKE



Jake, it is great to see you taking more and more responsibility for your learning. In the last week I have watched you often moving away from your friends to be able to focus on your learning. You also use your powerful ignoring muscles to ignore distractions so you can finish your tasks and get the most out of your learning time, just like you did yesterday when doing your handwriting. That is exactly what powerful learners do so you must be one of them! Ka pai hoki koe, keep on the great work Jake!

## IZZY

Izzy, you are a quiet and thoughtful learner. You are growing in confidence all the time, sharing your ideas with the class and asking for help or what to do next. You are kind and you include others in what you are doing. You are starting to add more detail to your writing and self assess, to reflect on your learning and what you need to work on next. Ka rawe Izzy, you are a Powerful Learner Superhero!



## DAISY

Daisy you are a ray of sunshine in our class. Your attitude to your learning is so positive. When you are in the Learning Pit, persevere until you have mastered your task. You are ready to take on challenges, pushing your limits and do your best at things you try. You will come and ask for help if you are not sure and will help others if they ask you. You are soaring to the moon Daisy, like a powerful learner does. Tū Meke!



## PENELOPE

I am so proud of Penny and her constant dedication to her learning. She is the most fabulous role model for managing herself. She takes full responsibility for her learning and makes sure that she doesn't get distracted by her classmates (or distract them). She is constantly showing her marvellous mat manners to be ready for learning. She consistently shows respect at all times and is an absolute dream to teach. Thank you Penny and keep up the awesome mahi!



KEEP  
NEW ZEALAND  
BEAUTIFUL

# TIDY KIWI AWARD - WEEK 10

# Pōhutukawa

BE A  
TIDY  
KIWI



# **SPORTS DRAWS**

## **TOUCH**

**Ormond Hurricanes**  
**Vs**  
**Waikirikiri**  
**9am field J4**

**Ormond Chiefs**  
**Vs**  
**Wainui Chiefs**  
**9.45am Field 10**

**Ormond Blues**  
**Vs**  
**Central Panthers**  
**10.30am field 1**

**This is the last Week of Touch**



**Soccer boots Size 6US**  
**Great condition - \$15**  
**See Ash in the office**

# **Rural Schools Rippa Day**



Ka mau te wehi! Well done to our awesome Rippa Rugby stars, who participated with pride at the recent Rural Schools Rippa Rugby day. They are all absolute legends, who can be very proud of their efforts.

# Rural Schools Rippa Day



# Inter School Triathlon



# NOTICES & UPDATES

**Sport Uniforms:** Please make sure your child Brings back their Touch and Cricket uniforms next week in preparation of our winter sports.

**School Hats:** Term One is wear your hat term. Students are required to wear a wide brimmed or bucket hat whilst in the playground and during outdoor activities. School hats are available in the office for \$25.00

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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