

Newsletter



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

Our first full week of learning has been completed and a highly successful one with all learners enjoying a fantastic week, highlighted by the super smash cricket skills.

Thank you to all of our whānau who attended the meet the teacher/board evening. From the feedback that I have received, this was a relaxed but informative evening where whanau were provided with the opportunity to meet our newest members of our Ormond learning community, classroom teachers and to reacquaint with those who are already very familiar with our context. It is important that we have great partnerships with all our whānau, because research tells us that when there is a genuine and positive relationship between the school and home the outcome is that learning will flourish! The evening also provided the opportunity to put names to faces of our School Board and share and gain clarity in the role that they have at Ormond School. A huge thank you to Tama Garnham for supplying us with the meat for the evening and whānau who provided salads, it was greatly received by all who attended.

At the end of last year, our Board Presiding Member, Fiona McKibbin made mention of the effect that continued absences can have on the learning progress of our students. It has been widely proven that in order for our children to achieve success in learning, that they have to be present and engaged in learning. We are regularly checking on student attendance and we have a school target of 92% and above as acceptable attendance across the year. If your child is genuinely absent from school, please make sure that you let the school office know. To do this you can either call, email or use the school loop app to notify us. We will be following up absences with a phone call from the office. Continuous unexplained absences of up to 3-5 days will result in the school notifying the truancy officer to follow these up, which can lead to prosecution. If you have any concerns regarding your child not wanting to attend school, please make a time to discuss this with their classroom teacher. Absences do have a significant impact on a child's learning and forming consistent attendance habits can make a huge difference and carry through to future years. So please let's make sure that we are doing our best to get our children to school. Noho ora mai rā, Stay safe and have a great weekend! Jonathan Poole - Tumuaki / Principal

Key Dates Term One

- 19th February - BOT hui - 5:30pm
- 7th March - School Swimming Sports
- 12th March - School Triathlon
- 25th March - BOT hui - 5:30pm
- 26th and 27th March - Whanau Aspiration hui
- 27th March - Inter School Triathlon
- 29th March - 2nd April - Easter Weekend
- 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.

Term Dates 2024

Term One: 31 January - 12 April

Term Two: 29 April - 5 July

Term Three: 22 July - 27 September

Term Four: 14 October - 16 December



GROWING GREAT PEOPLE
TE WHAKATIPU IWI NUI



ORMOND SCHOOL LEARNERS ARE GREAT PEOPLE WHO ARE:

Communicators, Collaborative,
Connected, Confident, Thinkers, Self
managers, Shows Perseverance

Don't forget:

OUR 4 R'S

AT ORMOND SCHOOL ARE:

RESPECT
RESILIENCE
REFLECTION
RESPONSIBILITY

When we are using these 4 values, we are
BEING A GREAT PERSON!

F.L.A.X Award Recipients

SCARLYT



It has been great to watch your confidence grow both in the pool and in the classroom. I like the way you now bring your togs everyday, get changed and hop in the pool all on your own. I also like the way you now participate on the mat, show me your completed work and ask questions. This is exactly what powerful learners do. You can be really proud of your efforts! Ka pai tō mahi Scarlyt!

CASHEL

Cashel, we love the way you have started 2024 - with more confidence, perseverance and resilience as a learner. It is great to see how focussed and engaged you are in your learning and you are keen to share what you have done with us. You are also able to respond to feedback and make changes to improve your learning.

You are a Powerful Learner Superhero Cashel, ka mau te wehi!



MICHAEL



Michael you have had a great start to 2024. Staying focused on your learning tasks and making sure you are doing these to a high quality shows just what you are capable of. You give everything a go and are always ready to help others when they can't manage a task or skill.

You are heading for the moon Michael and this is so awesome to see.

Ka mau te wehi Michael, I look forward to helping you soar!

SCARLETTE

Scarlette, you consistently show our school values and learner qualities. You are growing in confidence every day, you don't hesitate to jump into the learning pit. You are always respectful and kind to everyone. You are keen to learn and willing to listen and contribute to discussions about your learning.

You are a Powerful Learner Scarlette, ka mau te wehi!



KEEP
NEW ZEALAND
BEAUTIFUL

TIDY KIWI AWARD - WEEK 3

Kōwhai

BE A
TIDY
KIWI



School Bus Stop

From Monday 12th February we have implemented a new bus drop off and pick up zone at school. We are asking parents and whānau who drop off their children to keep the below areas clear between 8am and 8:20am and those who pick up their children between 2:30pm and 2:50pm. The new bus area will have cones in place to indicate where the bus stop will be. This will eliminate the need for the bus to come onto the school site, making our court area safer for those waiting to pick up their children. The only time the bus will come onsite from this point will be weather dependent.

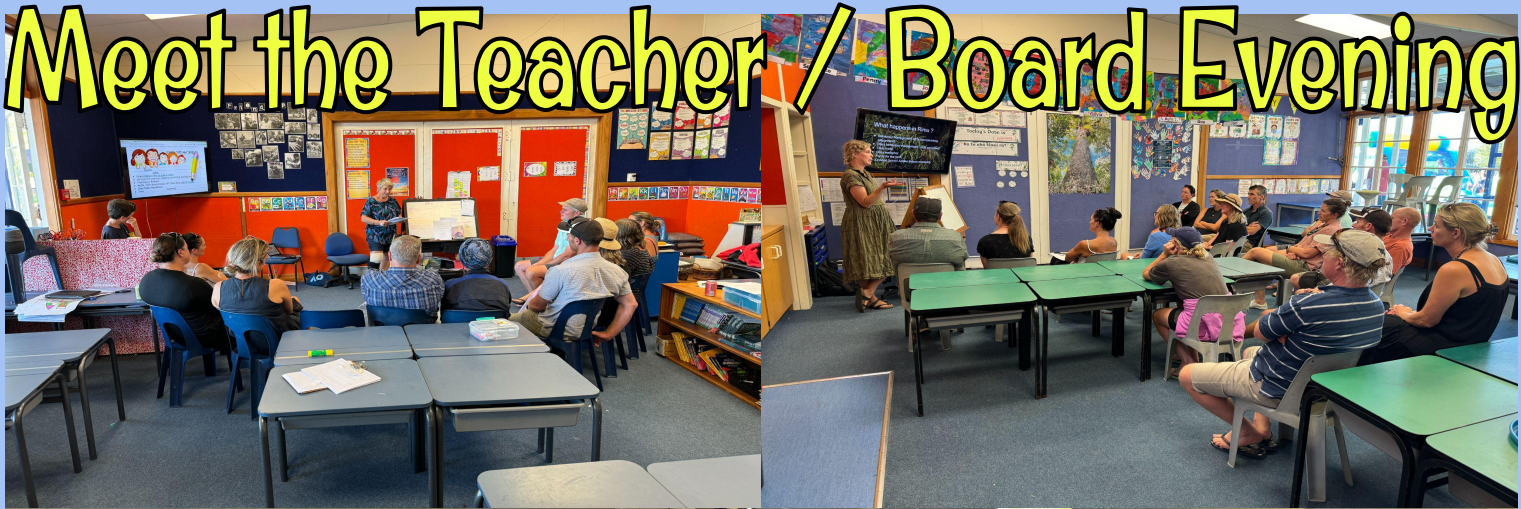


Teacher Aide - Fixed Term Position
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Teacher Aide required to monitor in class individual learning programmes for students who require extra support.

Email covering letter outlining your suitability for the position and a current CV including contact details of 2 referees to: principal@ormond.school.nz Applications close 5pm, Monday 26th February.

Meet the Teacher / Board Evening



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Rimu - Super Smash Cricket Skills



NOTICES & UPDATES

School Bus: We are asking that if your child is eligible to catch the school bus that you please make use of this service. The Ministry of Education tracks the number of students using this service and if we don't have people using this, we will eventually lose this or have our bus route altered. For families who are travelling from outside of the bus zone, you can meet the bus at the Waihirere turn off (7:50am) or Lavenham Road (8:10am) for your child to use this service, these are the start points and endpoints of this service. It is advised that students using this service be at the designated points 10 minutes before pickup as times may vary. The after school drop offs will be in reverse order from the morning pickups. Parents need to meet the bus for pickups, if no parents are waiting your child will be returned to school.

Swimming: Please send your child to school with togs everyday.

Sun 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

Stationary Packs: These are able to be collected and paid for at Office Products Depot. They are all premade so just let them know Ormond School and your child/children's Class for 2023. Please note: if your child was already in Kōwhai in 2023, they will not need a new pack if they are still in Kōwhai this year.

Kowhai: \$33.10 **Karaka:** \$40.70 **Pohutukawa:** \$38.90 **Rimu:** \$31.95

Car Pooling: We have a new Whanau living in Pitcher road, wanting to know, would any parent who drives to Gisborne Intermediate like to carpool.

This Weather is HOT!! Juicies are available for \$3

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tō rā
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weekend!

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