

Newsletter



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Kia ora Parents, Caregivers and Whānau,

And just like that we see the start of a new school year! I hope that everyone had the opportunity to take a break and recharge for the year ahead. Our start to the new school year has been a pleasing one, with our whānau and tamariki eagerly returning to school and slipping easily back into our school learning culture. A very big welcome to all new learners and their whānau to our school, you have all made a positive start to your time at Ormond School. Our first term is shaping up to be a busy one with lots of learning and extra curricular activities for our students to be involved in. Summer sports will be gearing up soon, so please check in with your children regarding any correspondence about this. It is important to keep an eye on the key dates for term one as there are some fantastic learning trips coming up for all learners and we would hate for anyone to not know about these. Communication regarding these trips will be sent home in the form of class newsletters, through our school loop app and classroom seesaw pages. These are all ways that we can communicate and stay up to date with school events. If you are not a user of our school loop app, please see the steps in this newsletter to access this. We also have a school Facebook page where you can follow and celebrate learning of our school. At times this will be also used to communicate cancellations or changes to planned events. To ensure that you receive Facebook notifications in a timely manner, you need to be actively engaging with a page - a like or a comment is the best way. This way our page remains relevant and active in your Facebook feed. If you are not following our Facebook page please do so, it is a great way to see what learning we are involved in at school.

If you have any concerns regarding your child's learning or interactions with other students, please make the time to discuss these firstly with your child's teacher, they are the best to talk to first as they have the greatest insight into what is happening regarding any concerns. It is better to be proactive in this area so that we can work in partnership together to alleviate any concerns or worries you may have to ensure your child is happy and safe at school. Here's looking forward to a positive 2023 year of learning.

Kia pai ta koutou mutunga wiki o Waitangi, Have a great Waitangi weekend! **Jonathan Poole - Tumuaiki / Principal**

Key Dates Term One

- **6th February** - Waitangi Day
- **8th February** - Super Smash Cricket
- **13th February** - REAP: Te Tiriti o Waitangi
- **15th February** - Meet the Teacher, 5.30pm
- **22nd February** - Swimming Sports
- **27th February** - REAP in: Cooking
- **1st March** - Paid Union Meetings - Teachers
- **3rd March** - Marae visit
- **6th, 7th, 8th March** - Year 4 - 6 Waikereru Ecosanctuary trip
- **10th March** - Triathlon
- **13th March** - REAP: Recycled Art
- **14th March** - Kōwhai - Waikereru Ecosanctuary trip
- **15th March** - Karaka - Waikereru Ecosanctuary trip
- **15th March** - Interschool Swimming
- **21st - 22nd March** - Whānau Aspiration hui
- **22nd March** - Interschool Triathlon
- **27th March** - REAP: Easter Crafts
- **5th April** - Interschool Rippa Rugby Yr 5 / 6
- **6th April** - Last day of Term 1

Term Dates 2023

Term One: 01 February - 06th April
Term Two: 24 April - 30 June
Term Three: 17 July - 22 September
Term Four: 09 October - 15 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!

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TOM

What a start to your 2023 learning journey Tom! You have settled back into school with such ease it doesn't look like you had a break. You still remember your beautiful mat manners: you come and sit on the mat 'giving 5' straight away, without prompting. Each time I have asked to help our new students in our class you have put your hand up and looked after them. This shows your kind and caring nature. You also never hesitate to lend a helping hand tidying up. Keep up your awesome attitude!

DAISY

Daisy, you have shown us that you are a Karaka Powerful Learner Superhero this week. You have settled back into school so quickly and easily. You are able to learn with anyone and help others with their learning. You have shown that you are a responsible member of our class. A great start to the year Daisy, ka pai tō mahi!



AYLA

Ayla you have certainly started the school year as a powerful learner! You have shown that you can manage yourself by being organised to learn from day 1 and have been attentive during instructions and lessons from the teacher. You have collaborated with others and confidently shared your thoughts and opinions. You have also been super supportive and kind to the new members in Pohutukawa. It was lovely to hear you inviting a child to sit and have lunch with you yesterday! Tumeke Ayla!



EVA

Eva you have started at Ormond and in Rimu with a such confidence. You didn't mind sharing your learning with others in the class, even though you had only been in the class for a short time. This shows a learner who is ready to go into the Learning Pit!!, and one who I can see is ready to take every opportunity to drive their own learning. Your friendly manner makes you someone others will want to work alongside. I look forward to seeing you learning with us in Rimu.

Ka pai tō mahi Eva!



NEVAEH

Nevaeh is is great to have you in RIMU. You have come into our class ready to learn, You ask when you are not sure and have a kind nature that shows that you can work with anyone else. You are speedy at running and I know you will be ready to give all your new learning 100%. I look forward to seeing you become a powerful learner at Ormond School.

Ka mau te wehi,! Nevaeh, Awesome!



TIDY KIWI AWARD - WEEK 1

KARAKA





Classes At Ormond 2023



KOWHAI

Ahoy everyone! We are the kind pirates of Kowhai sailing the seas in search of new treasure (new learning). Kōkā Sophie is our captain and she is very excited to be setting sail on this journey with us. Her crew is made out of 13 (soon to be 16) pirates. Together we are ready for the high seas and all the challenges ahead of us!

PŌHUTUKAWA

Kia ora from the 2023 Pōhutukawa class! We are excited to be based under the sea again this year, with a new team of scuba divers! Pōhutukawa is made up of 24 year 3-5 tamariki and after a week together, looks like we are going to make an excellent team! The Pōhutukawa tamariki have strapped their flippers on and tightened their masks ready to explore an ocean of learning. They aim to become powerful Ormond School learners by diving deeper in their learning and adding more to their net of knowledge!



KARAKA

Kia ora! We are so excited to start with 15 Powerful Learner Superheroes in Karaka and we are ready to take our learning to the next level!

This year Karaka is lucky to have two teachers, with Michelle Dods teaching in the morning while Raquel Parsons is taking Reading Recovery.

We cannot wait to see our learners use their superpowers (our key learning messages, values and learner qualities) to be powerful Ormond School learners!



RIMU

Tēnā koutou katoa,
This year in Rimu we have 26 Year 5 and Y6 Learners and Mrs Thompson. Our Learning Metaphor is : 'Driving our own Learning - "Māhau anō tō hōiho e āki" - using our School Values and Learner Qualities to be Powerful Learners at Ormond School. We are looking forward to an exciting year of learning and can't wait to share our learning with you on our Seesaw page and class DoJo. We are the senior class at Ormond and will be the tuakana / teina for our younger students. Our aim is to be in charge of our learning, knowing what to do when we don't know what to do. Come and visit at anytime and we can share with you our learning.





NOTICES & UPDATES

Swimming: Please send your child to school with togs everyday from next week as swimming season begins.

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.

Cashless: As of 2023 Ormond School is cashless. It is a recommendation from the auditors and will make things more transparent and seamless. Small things such as juices and gold coin donations will still be accepted. If you need the School account Numbers as the General and Fundraising accounts are different please send an e-mail to the office.

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. Unfortunately due to inflation the packs are slightly more expensive for 2023 but Office Products Depot go out of their way to make it as cheap as possible for the great quality we receive to last all year!
Kowhai: \$51.30 **Karaka:** \$59.30 **Pohutukawa:** \$48.80 **Rimu:** \$45.00

Paid Union Meetings: Teachers will be attending Paid Union Meetings on March 1st. To enable this to happen, our school will close at 1pm on this day. The school bus will run at this time.



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