



WEEK 9 PRIDE CERTIFICATE RECIPIENTS



ENVIRO TROPHY CLASS WINNERS

WEEK 9: KOWHAI MRS ENGLAND



MUSIC TROPHY WINNERS
WEEK 9: NGĀ HUIARAU



SO MUCH SURFING LATELY!

ŌBS pitopitokōrero

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Seniors in Surf Comp at West End

By Maika & Sienna

On Friday 24th of February there was a surf competition. They had to meet at the tennis court in front of the school at 7:45am or meet at West End at 8.00am. Four teams of four were entered. We interviewed Riley Miskell and she answered our questions for us.



Did anyone from Ōhope Beach place? Yes. My team (Riley) placed 1st overall.

Were the waves good? They were small in the comp zone but outside of it the waves were perfect for surfing.

Did you catch any waves? Yes, everyone had to catch 2 waves per heat. There were 5 heats and you got 20 minutes to catch the waves per heat.



Did anyone wipe out? Yes, LOTS of people kept on wiping out. The waves were breaking so close that everyone was wiping out straight on to the sand.



That sounds fun, especially that you won the whole event! We are all very proud of how much effort everyone put into it.

Ngā Huiarau on Noho Marae

SENIORS VISIT ŌHOPE'S TE MAUNGARONGO

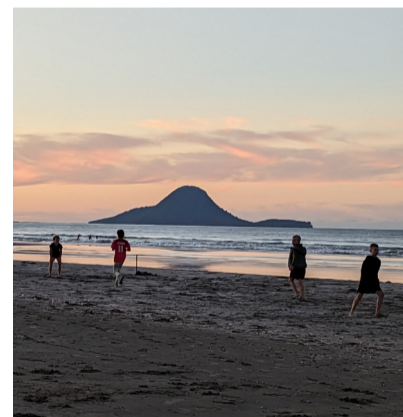


In Week 9 the seniors all went to stay at the Ōhope Marae for school camp to learn tikanga Māori and about the marae. The teachers split us into two groups: Aihe and Mangōpare (Who stayed Wednesday to Thursday) and then Paea and Tohorā (Thursday to Friday).

Both groups walked down to the marae on separate days, and then we had the pōhiri. We all slept in the whareniui together. Heaps of people were making silly noises and pretending to be asleep by fake snoring. We also went for a play at the beach after dinner and the sunset was absolutely beautiful, like a rainbow sky. We were deeply impressed by it. Everyone rolled down the hill and played fun games. We did weaving, played the game Kī-o-Rahi and played with the rākau sticks.

Everyone had so much fun

and Matua Sam made Paea and Tohorā do Jump Jam because they woke up too early. Then we had a breakfast of porridge and toast. After that we packed up our beds in the whareniui, cleaned the whareniui, wharepaku and



wharekai and then walked back to school to chill for the rest of the day and finish making our poi and whareniui models with popsicle sticks.

By Georgia & Darcey

BOARD MATTERS

INTRODUCING SARAH MORGAN, BOARD MEMBER



Kia ora ŌBS whānau,

Nō Kōterana me Wēra ōku tipuna.
I tipu ake au ki Taupō me Heretaunga.
E noho ana au ki Whakatāne.
Ko Sarah Morgan tōku ingoa.
Ko tēnei taku mihi ki ngā tāngata whenua
o te rohe nei ko Ngāti Awa.
Nō reira, tēnā koutou katoa.

I'm super stoked to be continuing as the staff representative on the ŌBS Board of Trustees this year and am looking forward to furthering my work with the Board team to make our kura as safe and inclusive as possible so that all students can reach their learning potential & be brilliant humans, while also being an excellent employer for a great set of teachers.

I live in Whakatāne with my girlfriend and our dynamic canine pack of dependents. I moved from Tamaki Makaurau in 2020 to be closer to whānau and have yet to regret the decision.

The ākongā at our kura call me 'Dr Sarah' as I used to be a scientist with a PhD in molecular genetics. In 2014 I moved into Project Management and ran government contracts putting really cool

IMPORTANT TERM DATES

Term One:
Tuesday 31 January to Thursday 6 April

- Friday 7th April - Good Friday holiday

Term Two:
Wednesday 26 April to Friday 30 June

- Monday 24 April - Teacher Development Day
- Tuesday 25th April - ANZAC Day holiday
- Monday 1 May - Teacher Development Day
- Monday 5th June - King's Birthday holiday

Term Three:
Monday 17 July to Friday 22 September

Term Four:
Monday 9 October to Friday 15 December

- Monday 23 October - Labour Day holiday

science projects into schools. I eventually got to a point where I desperately wanted to be on the other side, running the projects and working with the tamariki, and decided it was time to dive into teaching full time.

At Ōhope Beach School I'm the in-school lead for science, manager of the Pitopito Kōrero, editor of the new School Newspaper, and Road Patrol coordinator. Our kura is extremely beautiful and the ākongā are wonderful: I'm happy to help make this school the absolute best it can be. Kia pai tō koutou rā!

END OF TERM SURPRISE FROM OUR JOURNALISTS!

The journalists here at ŌBS thought that this week, the last week of term, we'd shake things up. Here we have a few of our favourite facts! Enjoy!

- Did you know that potato chips were invented by ACCIDENT! The chef cut the potatoes way too thin, and once they were fried, everyone preferred them!
- If you are stranded at sea, don't drink sea water. It will make you die quicker.
- Did you know that there are 5 sheep for every person in New Zealand.
- Snails have been known to sleep

up to three years if the weather isn't wet enough to meet their needs.

- Honey Bees flap their wings 230 times every second.
- At birth, a panda cub is smaller than a mouse and weighs only 113 grams, which is about the same as four AA batteries!
- Horses and cows can sleep standing up, but they can only dream when lying down.

Have a super good holiday everyone!

From the T1W9-10 Journalists: Sienna, Darcey, Maika and Georgia.

Grass Tracks Trolley Derby Free Family Fun!

Wednesday, April 19
Week 2 of School Holidays

Waiewe Street Reserve - 10:00 am Start
Access from 58 Appenzell Drive

Helmet and covered shoes essential!

Race karts provided for kids that don't have own. Teens & Adults need own trolley.

Age Categories:
5 - 7 Yr Olds
8 - 10 Yr Olds
11 - 14 Yr Olds
Open (15+)



BBQ Food - Cash only
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The Principal Column

FROM THE DESK OF CATHRYN NAERA:

Kia ora koutou katoa. Today the first term of the 2023 school year comes to an end. It has been a busy term with a lot going on and everyone is ready for a break and a chance to recharge for term two.

Wairoa Schools:

Our Whakatāne Kahui Ako managed to raise \$21,146.57 through our collective fundraising. The funds will go to Ngā Mata Nui o Kahungunu Kahui Ako in Wairoa which consists of sixteen schools, seven Kohanga and seven Kindergartens.

They have been amazed at the support shown by our Kahui Ako and pass on their thanks to the Whakatāne community. The funds raised will be shared amongst the schools, kohanga and kindergartens with a focus on supporting everyone's mental health following the devastation caused by cyclone Gabrielle. Thank you to everyone who supported our fundraising activities, you are an amazing community.

Noho Marae:

Last week the children in our Ngā Huiarau team had the opportunity to experience a noho marae at our local marae, Te Maungarongo. On Wednesday the children who are in Mangōpare and Aihe were welcomed onto the marae with a pōwhiri followed by morning tea. The children then set up their beds and participated in a range of activities. On Thursday Paea and Tohorā were welcomed with a pōwhiri followed by lunch. Both groups were excellent, they listened to the speakers respectfully and sang beautifully. The children exhibited their Pride values throughout their time at the marae. Both groups enjoyed a beach walk in the evening and got to watch the sun set. Thank you to the family members who attended the camp with the staff, we could not carry out these activities without your support. We look forward to continuing our connection with this local marae for future noho.

Life Education:

Next term we welcome the Life Education classroom, along with Harold, to the school. Each team will be covering a focus from the Health Curriculum with Jacquie Hendrikse, the life education teacher. This will be week 2 and week 3 of next term.

Ngā Huiarau - Food and Nutrition: Focus questions are: Where does our food come from? Why is sleep important?

Ngā Peka - Human Biology; Focus questions are: What are senses and what do they do for us? What's inside our bodies?

Te Tiwai - Relationships and Communities: Focus questions are: What does it take to be part of a team? How do I become resilient?

Teacher Development Days:

Just a reminder that Monday 24th April and Monday 1st May are Teacher Development Days. There is no school on either of these days.

School Environment:

During the holiday break the small sandpit, outside Manuka, will be removed. We will also have some outdoor seating installed in the playground along with some planting. The next project we will be working on is an outdoor musical play area. The Friends of the School group will be supporting us with this project. We look forward to the continued development of the school environment for the children.

Thank you:

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the staff for the work they do every day for your children. The planning and preparation and all the extra activities take time and commitment, but is done to ensure the children get a variety of learning experiences. They are a dedicated team of professionals. Have a good break and we will see the children back at school on Wednesday 26th April.

Spotlight on Kowhai Dana!

THE REPORTING TEAM VISITED ONE OF OUR COLOURFUL YEAR 3 & 4 LEARNING SPACES, TO INTERVIEW SOME TAUIRA.

BY SIENNA, DARCEY, MAIKA & GEORGIA



Today we spied on Kowhai Whaea Dana's class and got some secret recruits (Ronan and Ayla) to give us some answers to our questions.

-What do you like about being in Kowhai? It's a big classroom and it's the best class in the school.

-What have you been learning in class this week? In maths we did fractions. Writing, we have been doing poems. Reading, we've been doing the read and grab game.

-Have you been learning a particular rule in Spelling this week? The Floss Rule and Garth the Shark. We have different spelling groups so we have different concepts.

-What is your favourite subject? Writing and Art (Ayla) P.E (Ronan)

-What's your favourite book? The Geronimo Stilton Series (Ayla) and The Hobbit (Ronan).

-What have you liked most about this

term? The surfing lessons (Ronan) and being interviewed by weird year 6s a.k.a right now!

So then we asked Whaea Dana some questions about her teaching experience, for example: **What makes a good learning environment for year 3 and 4 students?** "Classroom space is important and gives different options for learning. Like table heights, spaces in the room, help tables, help sheets, I.T, game time and chances to talk about their learning."

Whaea Dana likes teaching Yr 3 and 4 because the pace can be flexible, meaning you take as long or short as you need, meaning not rushed. The level of learning is a good challenge to see what strategy works best for each student. They are very innocent, fun and willing to try their best every time.

Thank you Kowhai Whaea Dana's Class for being awesome!

Calling All Artists!
After school art classes available for ages 6 -18 in Whakatane.
We use a variety of mediums, styles and techniques with a pinch of art history and a lot of imagination.
Please contact Marie on 022 191 0894 or email Dianna at artclasseswhakatane@gmail.com for more information. Let's get creative!

School Events in Term 2

ALL WELCOME, COME ALONG, GET INVOLVED!

Week 10:

- Thursday 6th April - Term One ends
- Friday 7th April - Good Friday

Term 2:

Week 1:

- Monday 24th April - Teacher Development Day - School Closed
- Tuesday 25th April - ANZAC Day holiday
- Friday 28th April - Assembly - Kauri, Whaea Laura's class

Week 2:

- Monday 1st May - Teacher Development Day - School Closed
- Tuesday 2nd May - Life Education at school all week
- Friday 5th May - Assembly - Ngā Huiarau, Matua Sam's class

Week 3:

- Monday 8th May - Life Education at school all week
- Thursday 11th May - Epro8 interschool competition
- Friday 12th May - Assembly - Kahikatea, Matua Henry's class

Week 4:

- Tuesday 16th May - BoT Meeting 5.30pm
- Friday 19th May - Assembly, Manuka

Week 5:

- Tuesday 23rd May - Ōhope School cross country
- Friday 26th May - Assembly - Ngā Huiarau, Dr. Sarah's class



PITOPITO KŌRERO ANNOUNCERS FOR THE FORTNIGHT: JOSEPHINE & LIAM, LILI & LACHIE

Every morning at 8:30am a pair of Year 6 students read out our Pitopito Kōrero, the morning news broadcast via the school intercom system. The week 9 presenters were Josephine & Liam. This week Lili & Lachie have been sharing the panui with us in the mornings. Well done to all the children and to the volunteers who step in when someone is absent.

"I felt anxious before speaking, but talking into the microphone is really cool!" - Josephine

The presenters share the pride value for the week. In week 9 and 10 we have Empathy as our focus. They also share the whakatauki for the fortnight, any notices for the taura, and sometimes a joke or an interesting fact.

The whakatauki shared this fortnight is "Kia mau ki te tokanga nui a noho" Which means "There is no place like home".

"I like that you feel nervous when you do it but after you feel happy and people say you did a good job" - Lachie



NGĀ PEKA HAS EPIC SURF DAY BY GEORGIA & DARCEY

On Tuesday the 21st of March Ngā Peka went to West End for a fun surf day. Surfing in the beautiful ocean was followed by games and a scavenger hunt! We asked Blake Vlotman and Freya Simm from Kahikatea about the day.

What did you do? We went surfing with Salt Spray Surf School and then did science about tectonic plates. We also sketched the man-made environment.

They gave us some tips on surfing, like when you are on the wave, keep paddling three more times, which will make sure that you are actually on the wave and not missing it!

Did you all go together as one syndicate, or as separate classes? Kowhai Whaea Dana went first, then Mrs England, Whaea Cherie and then Matua Henry.

The things that Freya and Blake liked most were surfing and sketching the environment.