



WELCOME TO OUR OWAIROA FAMILY

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PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCES

Our first semester school reports will be distributed to parents at the Parent Teacher Conferences, scheduled for Tuesday 11th April and Wednesday 12th April. Bookings for these conferences are made online and a separate notice has already been sent to you to explain the steps to take. Please note that on Tuesday 11th April students will conclude their day's tuition earlier, at 12.30pm. We ask that you collect your children from school at 12.30pm or make other arrangements for them. You are able to access the after school care programme "Bizzy Bodz" by phoning Raewyn on 021 837 051 or Bizzy Bodz office 530 9020.

CELEBRATING BOOK WEEK

= "HOOKED ON READING" -

Over 900 enthusiastic Pirates participated in the Book Week Pirate Parade. It was a great success with some amazing Pirates, young and old, attending the Parade. Completing the inflatable challenge was a goal for all the energetic amongst us. Thank you to all who purchased books from the Book Fair display and for supporting this special weeks activities.



At our recent Principal's Assembly I talked to the students and staff around the theme of Helping Others. I used a quote from *Mother Teresa* about what she considered were the three most important things in life, which were -

*The first is to be kind.
The second is to be kind.
The third is to be kind.*

We discussed some of our student kindnesses;
"I helped my poppa do the dishes because he has Parkinson's disease." -- M.D.
"I helped my Grandmother walk around the house because she is blind." -- T.J.
"I found \$10 that somebody dropped on the floor. I handed the money in to the shopkeeper." -- H.M.
We finished with a YouTube clip entitled "Happiness is helping others." You may wish to view this clip on <https://tingurl.com/happyhelp>



Playground

We have all waited in eager anticipation and at last the new playground is nearly ready for use. This magnificent structure has been provided for all students thanks to the Board of Trustees, Parent Teacher Association and to the parents who have supported the school by paying the annual school donation. Bring your whole family along during the weekend and enjoy the new playground equipment.

Homestay Families Wanted

Families must be First-Language English Speakers

Learn about another culture while supplementing your income



Owairoa Primary School

is looking for families interested in hosting International Visitors from 1-12 weeks

Contact Michelle 538 0060 ext 216 homestay@owairoa.school.nz

Promotional Video

Staff, students and parents stepped up to the mark recently when we had a professional film crew in the school filming for our new school promotional video. Everyone felt proud of the school as they spoke about their own experiences at the school and the pleasure of being part of the Owairoa "Family".



END OF TERM CLOSURE

Time flies when you are having fun with your learning. We have nearly reached the end of Term One and will close on Thursday 13th April. Term Two starts on Monday 1st May for a busy, challenging and fun filled 10 week term.

Looking Ahead

April	
11st	Parent Teacher Conference 1.00pm - 8.00pm Students Dismissed at 12.30pm
12th	Parent Teacher Conference 3.00pm - 6.30pm
13th	Last day of Term One
14th	Good Friday - Public Holiday

May	
1st	Term 2 Starts
2nd	PTA Meeting 7.30pm

With kind regards
Alan McIntyre, Principal

