

WELCOME to OUR OWAIROA FAMILY

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IT UPDATE
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GRANDPARENTS AFTERNOON

What a pleasure it was to have a large number of Grandparents visit our school during the recent Grandparents Afternoon. Many of the students had the opportunity to share some of their school life with their Grandparents. We really appreciated the families who provided a plate of food that helped make our afternoon tea a happy occasion for all our special guests.



THE CHINESE GARDEN

Choose your favourite place or person in the school and take a photo. Think of 10 words about this person or place and then write a short paragraph using the words. Use Wordfoto app to make visual art from words and photo.

PERSON/PLACE:

The Chinese Garden

WORDS:

Chinese, safe, waterfall, bridge, fish, calm, peaceful, Year 4, friendship, stunning

PARAGRAPH:

In the Chinese garden I feel like I am one with the Chinese. I am a Year 4 in Room 23 next to the garden. The bridge is a glorious place to stare at the fish in the water by the waterfall. I feel calm, peaceful and safe in the Chinese garden. The trees are a stunning red in autumn. We have the Chinese garden to reach into our friendship with our sister schools in China.

Evan Forbes: Year 4 Room 23

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ROAD PATROL

Supervisors wanted
for 2016

Student safety is paramount and footpath and street crossing is a way up there in terms of ensuring safe passage between home and school. Each year we are grateful to the group of parents who give their time generously to act as Road Patrol Supervisors. Not only does this help with student safety, it also frees up the Teachers to attend meetings and to be available to meet Parents before and after school. If you have a spare fifteen or twenty minutes either before or after school to help with this task, please register your interest by contacting the school office on phone 5380060 or email officemanager@owairoa.school.nz.



ORGANISATION FOR 2016

Our staffing and funding entitlement for 2016 has been received from the Ministry of Education. Our school structure has already been finalised for next year and we are currently considering staffing and student placements.

To assist us to be as accurate as possible, we would appreciate hearing from you if your child/children are leaving Owairoa Primary School at the end of 2015 (this does not include those who are currently Year 6). We would also like to hear from school families who have children starting school and not yet enrolled and also children of friends and neighbours who intend to enrol at Owairoa Primary School.

Enrolment Scheme

You will have recently received a newsletter about the Ministry of Education requirement for our school to put in place an Enrolment Scheme. We are required to consult with parents, community and surrounding schools.

Further information about the scheme can be found on our school website under 'Enrolment Scheme'.

You are welcome to make comment about the proposed scheme, to the Board of Trustees in writing or via email



principal@owairoa.school.nz

Parent Helpers Morning Tea

Our school would not operate the same without the generous assistance of a large number of willing parents who have helped in many ways during the year. We wish to acknowledge these parents at a special morning tea in the school hall at 10.30am on Thursday 26th November. We hope to acknowledge all helpers by sending out a digital invitation but if for some reason we have missed you, please phone the school office on 5380060 to RSVP.



Coming Events...

- November 17 Board of Trustees Meeting 7pm
- 20 PTA School Disco
- 24 PTA Final Meeting for 2015 7.30pm
- 26 Parent Helpers Morning Tea 10.30am
- December 18 Final Day of Term 4



With kind regards Alan McIntyre, Principal