



NEWSLETTER
Week 7-Term 01/12/2017



Ki nga whanau o Manaakitia o Potiki, nga mihi atu ki a koutou.

SCHOOL GROUNDS SECURITY

We are very concerned with the unauthorised entry of persons on our school grounds - out of hours and weekends when the gates are locked. There has been damage to our school property and those involved have been identified on our **security cameras**. The other major concern is when members of our community have stopped to ask the children why they are in the school grounds – they have been hurled with abuse! We are asking our school community to be vigilant and keep an eye out for our school. If persons are seen in our school grounds after hours and an effort has been made to ask them to leave (but to no avail), call the Police. Kia ora koutou.

Junior Athletics;

A big thanks to whanau and staff who helped out at our District junior athletics last Friday and especially to Matua Jeff/Mr Dunn who organised the programme and ensured that the day ran smoothly – Tau Ke Matua Jeff. The following are the results from our Junior Athletics;

5yr boys, Elluzion Warren 3rd **5yr girls** Haylen Kurei 1st, Tayah-Lee Kora 2nd **6yr boys** Kaino Linton 1st equal **6yr girls** Serenity Taitapanui 1st Muriwai Apanui 3rd **7yr boys** Kauri Kurei 2nd **7yr girls** Kaylee Paruru 1st Waimanawa Robinson 2nd **8yr boys** Tupaea Rakuraku 2nd, Hatiwira Peachey 3rd **8yr girls** Rewa-Stylez Paul 1st.
Congratulations to all who participated.

CARVINGS UNVEILED

Have you seen our carvings on Church Street that were unveiled last Thursday? Huge thanks to Matua Jamie Boynton who was commissioned to carve these beautiful representations of Ranginui & Papatuanuku.

WHANAU/TEACHER INTERVIEWS

Thank you to all whanau who made an effort to attend their child's parent/teacher interviews this week.

CLASSES END OF YEAR EXCURSIONS

End of year excursions for students begin this week with our Senior Leaders going to Waimarino on Thursday 7th, Room 6 to Waimarino on Friday 8th, Room 5 have a week of amazing activities planned beginning next Wednesday – Big thanks to whanau who have paid their fees.

FEES ARE TO BE PAID ASAP TO THE OFFICE.

Room 5 - \$10 per student

Due by 6th December

Room 6 - \$10 per student

Due ASAP

LOST LIBRARY BOOKS;

We would appreciate it if you could look around your homes for our school library books and return them to school asap for our end of year stocktake.

LAST DAY FOR STUDY SUPPORT CENTRE

The last day for the Study Support Centre activities is;

TUESDAY 5TH DECEMBER

Big thanks to Whaea Letitia, Matua Matt, Matua Micky, Whaea Alycia and Kohine Aroha who have all assisted with this afterschool programme this year.

School Donation/Magazine:

Have you paid your school donation of \$15/student or \$30/whanau? If you have - you will receive a copy of the school magazine which Mrs Dunn and her team are nearing the end of completing. This is an amazing memoir for all whanau. Additional copies (which make great Xmas gifts), can be purchased for \$20.00.

END OF YEAR CONCERT/PRIZEGIVING

Keep the evening of Thursday 14th November (last day of school for students) free for our end of year concert/senior prizegiving to be held at the Deluxe Theatre. This is an enjoyable event and we farewell our Year 8 students as they embark on their secondary school journey.

Hats/Suitable clothing:

With our weather warming up, we ask whanau to encourage your tamariki to wear hats (preferably brimmed), and to wear uniform that is suitable for the weather *i.e. Shorts, sandals (NOT LONGS OR GUMBOOTS). NAME ALL CLOTHING!*

Preparing for next year-Whanau savings account:



Christmas is just over 4 weeks away which means 2018 – is only 5weeks away!

Have you thought about next year's school costs *e.g. stationery, uniforms, camps etc*, for your tamariki and about setting up a whanau account through the school? You will be amazed at how much \$5.00 per week savings can get you.....Call in to the office to get the details of the school account.

PLEASE – YOUR URGENT ATTENTION IS REQUIRED

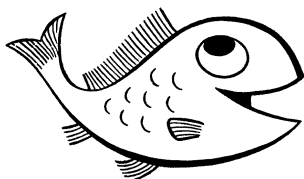
The Dental Caravan is on site at Opotiki Primary School until the end of term. Please check with your children and sign and return any dental consent forms they bring home. If forms are not returned, any treatment needed will not be able to be completed. Any queries, please phone or text the dental team on 0274572216? Thanks, Lynette, Lyn, Robin and Loise.

HEALTHY EATING:

We are still very concerned at the amount of students that go up town to buy unhealthy food or arrive at school eating lollies etc. We supply milk, fruit, breakfast in schools and have a supply of food for lunches *e.g. muesli bars, scroggin, fruit pottles*. Please encourage your child to not only eat healthy but if they have money, to buy healthy foods – salad wraps, sandwiches etc. Buying pies etc is ok – but in moderation – NOT EVERY DAY!

Our lunches that we sell at school are marked Heart Foundation tick.

Please ensure to contact the office if your child/children are going to be absent or late. Phone; 073156362/ text Kaye on 0273321673 or email; ktai@opotiki.school.nz Ensure to check out our website; www.opotiki.school.nz



BlueLight Kids Gone Fishing 2017:

'Little kids who love to fish, grow up to be BIG kids who love to fish!'

SUNDAY 10TH DECEMBER 2017

Registration at 10:00am

BAIT PROVIDED WITH LOTS OF SPOT PRIZES

Upcoming Events Term 4 2017

<i>Date</i>	<i>Event</i>	<i>Venue</i>
DECEMBER		
Weds 6 th	Reano-Musical Show (\$3 p.p.) Rm 5 Activities Week starts	
Weds 6 th	BOP Athletics	Rotorua
Thurs 7 th	Senior Leaders outing	Waimarino, Tga
Fri 8 th	-Preschoolers Transition Day -Last day for KidsCan Nitbuster service -Rm 6 outing	Waimarino, Tga
Sun 10 th	BlueLight Kids Gone Fishing	Wharf- 10:00am
Mon 11 th -Fri 15 th	Final Week of School	
Weds 13 th Dec	-Grandparents Day -Junior Prizegiving -Rm 8 Day Out	Julian's Berry Farm } Whk Aquatic Centre }
Thurs 14 th Dec	School Prizegiving evening	Deluxe Theatre

**FINAL DAY OF SCHOOL
THURSDAY 14TH DECEMBER 2017**