



OPUA SCHOOL

*Manaakitanga me te Awhina
Caring and Sharing*

8th APRIL 2021
Term 1 Week 10

Bay of Islands

Sanitarium Weet-Bix Kids TRYathlon

THIS SUNDAY!!

2 DAYS LEFT FOR THE ONLINE DISCOUNT

Event Date: Sunday 11th April 2021

Event Location: Waitangi Treaty Grounds

ENROL ONLINE -

<https://www.registernow.com.au/secure/Group-Acceptance.aspx?E=40605&G=120369>



SAUSAGE SIZZLE

TOMORROW - Opuia School is hosting the Inter School

Swimming Sports at the Kawakawa Community Pool. It is sure to be a fabulous day! The chosen swimmers will have already come home with permission forms. **We have the opportunity to do a bit of fundraising on the day and we are asking for two volunteers to man the BBQ and sell sausages, baking and water. We will need to transport the BBQ to the pool and back. If you are able to help please let Maree know. THANK YOU!!!**

****** ADVANCED NOTICE ******

TEACHER ONLY DAY TERM 2 2021

School will be closed all day on **FRIDAY 9th JULY, 2021**. Our School's Board of Trustees has approved this event and school closure. This is the 5th day of 8 permitted days that teachers have been given by the Government for training purposes in their latest union's Collective Agreement running from 1st July 2019 - 30th June 2022. Important dialogue will be happening around assessment, testing and planning for the future.

SCHOOL SHARING THIS FRIDAY - Rooms 1 & 2

Student-Led Goal-Setting Meetings

WEDNESDAY 14th APRIL 2021

3.30pm - 6.50pm

In 2021, we are looking at doing our parent-student-teacher meetings differently. The first stage in this process is to have a Goal Setting meeting. This is scheduled for our last week of this term: Wednesday, 14th April from 3.30 - 7.00.

Please organise a time through the sheet in this newsletter or by ringing our Main Office and talking with Maree. These meetings are NOT formal Parent Interviews as we have had them in the past. At our Goal Setting meeting [10 minutes maximum], a child will share with their parents [with their teacher present], how they are doing so far and their learning goals for the rest of this school year.

There will be a one page Goal Setting sheet filled in before and at the meeting that will then be photocopied at school and sent home with children by the end of the term.

Whanau can further discuss these sheets at home with their children and, most importantly, discuss how they can also help their children at home with achieving their learning goals.

These goals may be revised and updated over the course of the year. The children's progress in achieving their learning goals [and maybe even setting new goals], will then be discussed at two Student-Led Conferences towards the end of Term 3 (more details to come). The child will take the lead showing their parents the work they have done and the progress they have made towards their goals. The teacher will be roaming the room to support these learning conversations.

At the end of Term 4, there will be our usual End-of Year summative written reports that will detail progress made and achievement levels across the curriculum.

The meetings will be 10 minutes.

Please indicate your preferred time on the form below and return it to school.

Maree will try to fit you in to the timetable as best as possible.

Child's Name	Teacher/Room	Preferred Time <small>14th April 3.30-6.50</small>

If this day does not suit please indicate a day which does and we can arrange a meeting with the teacher(s) concerned.

You can also email Maree your preferred times at office@opua.school.nz or pop in and see her/me :-)



THIS WEEK'S HOT TOPIC IS.....HEADLICE!

Please check and treat your children's hair this weekend so we can get rid of these parasites from our school.

ESPECIALLY IN THE JUNIOR ROOMS!

To get head lice under control the community must act together at the same time. Each parent/caregiver is responsible for their own children. Please make the most of the school holidays to check for and treat head lice/nits.

Head lice have a lifecycle of 3 weeks and it takes 7 days for an egg to hatch. Daily wet combing with a fine tooth (nit) comb is a very effective, cheap option.

Although helpful, head lice shampoo is generally not effective on its own. Wet combing with conditioner needs to be done daily for at least one week and sometimes longer as often some are missed.

Remember to get as close to the scalp as possible as this is where the eggs are laid and the lice live. Whether your child has head lice or not it is recommended you still check weekly.

Long hair needs to be tied up. Although lice don't jump they do crawl from head to head.

If any parent/carer needs any further advice please feel free to contact our Public Health Nurse - Pip van der Pol - 021 46 10 18 or 0800 537 43 42

IMPETIGO (SCHOOL SORES)



IMPETIGO IS A HIGHLY CONTAGIOUS BACTERIAL SKIN INFECTION WHICH, IF UNTREATED, COULD LEAD TO A SERIOUS ILLNESS SUCH AS KIDNEY INFECTION.

TRANSMISSION – The bacteria are spread from one infected person to another through a break in the skin, such as a cut, scratch or a bite.

SYMPTOMS – Impetigo usually starts as a little blister that turns into a sore. There may be one or more sores and these may spread to other areas of the body. The sores are generally red around a dry honey-brown crusted centre. Sometimes the sores contain pus and they may weep. The sores don't heal naturally and it is important to see a doctor for treatment.

MANAGEMENT – If symptoms develop the person should be kept home from preschool or school.

The child (and any person handling the infected child) should:

Wash and dry hands after going to the toilet and before preparing and/or eating food.

Keep fingernails cut short and be discouraged from touching the sores.

Have individual towels and face cloths.

Keep the sores covered with a dry dressing. The dressing should be changed twice a day.

Any person with a skin infection must not swim or play contact sport until the sores are healed.

TREATMENT – A course of oral antibiotics will probably be prescribed. Sometimes an antibiotic ointment will also be prescribed.

FOR TREATMENT THE PERSON NEEDS TO SEE A DOCTOR

Children should be excluded from preschool or school until 24 hours after treatment has begun.



SCHOOL SHARING

Friday 16th April - Totara

2021 TERM DATES

3rd February	16th April
3rd May	8th July
26th July	1st September
18th October	15th December

MAROMAKU RUGBY/

NETBALL DAY

We need parents/volunteers to come in and help us train our pupils (from rooms

3, 4 and 5) for netball and rugby next term please. All offers of help are most welcome and highly appreciated!

We will be setting aside an hour - once a week - probably on a Monday or Tuesday.

If you can help out each week

PLEASE let us know. Thank you.

WHAT'S

HAPPENING?

* * * * *

9 APRIL - BOI SWIMMING SPORTS DAY

* * * * *

14 APRIL - STUDENT-LED GOAL SETTING MEETINGS

* * * * *

16 APRIL - MUFTI DAY & LAST DAY OF SCHOOL

* * * * *

3 MAY - FIRST DAY OF TERM 2!

* * * * *

MUSIC TUITION

If your 5 – 7 year old is showing an interest in music, the ENCORE ON KEYS Music Course is for you. This extremely good course is specifically designed to introduce music to young children. Ruth Simpson is very pleased to welcome a new teacher Amy Crisp to help her with this great way of teaching music to small groups of up to 6. At this stage a new class will be starting next term on Thursday and/or Friday afternoon. My music studio is situated in Kingston House, 123 Honeheke Rd, Kerikeri.

For enquiries and enrolment phone Ruth Simpson
(09)402 8372 or 027 303 9577



TURNER CENTRE, KERIKERI ON FRIDAY 16TH APRIL

Get things turned up a notch on your Friday night and relive the good times! Opua resident Mike Preece is setting up his turntables to play 60's, 70's and 80's dance hits on vinyl. A night full of nostalgia and feel-good music. You might find yourself being lifted to the dance floor on a wave of memories!

Ex 1970's D.J. Mike Preece dragged his 100% vinyl record collection all the way to New Zealand when he migrated from London in 2004. It sat in his garage ever since. He has now dusted off Motown, the Beatles, Elvis and many more for you to enjoy and have a boogie.

There is enough space to shake your tail-feather on the dancefloor. Tables and chairs will be set up in the back of the room, the people watching is almost as much fun as being on the dancefloor yourself! Needing to cool down? Enjoy a cold drink on our outdoor Terrace, weather permitted. The bar will be serving a range of local beverages, bar food and snacks. You'll be in for a night to remember!

Keep an eye on our event calendar, as this will be a regular event. Doors open: 6pm, Live Music starts: 6:30pm, Live Music finishes: 9pm

<https://www.iticket.co.nz/events/2021/apr/sounds-good>