



OPUA SCHOOL

*Manaakitanga me te Awhina
Caring and Sharing*

29 MARCH 2022
Term 1 Week 9

**NO SAUSAGE SIZZLE ON FRIDAY
DUE TO ROOM 5 BEING AWAY**

CONGRATULATIONS to WHAEA ELLY:

I am delighted to announce that Elly Vanasche [Whaea Elly] was offered the permanent teacher position at our school yesterday and she has formally accepted the position this morning. Elly has fitted in to our team perfectly, been wonderful with our Room 3 children and I am sure everyone will join with me in congratulating her on her success and welcoming her on board long term. We are truly blessed to have a wonderful team of staff at Opuia School, working hard for the benefit of our children.



Simon McGowan, Principal

The wonderful Lucie Green, from Green Web Design, has worked her magic on our website and we have a new (some-what) up to date video clip on the front page which showcases some of the great things our children experience whilst at school.

The teachers have also been working hard to update their classroom pages with new information and gorgeous new photos.

Mr McGowan is constantly updating important documents and items of interest for parents and prospective families.

We have also, wonder-of-wonders, managed to get assistance from an IT Wizard who helped us get our Facebook page back up and running. So we will post photos and news items on there from time to time. www.facebook.com/OpuiaSchool

The last day of Term 1 is Thursday the 14th April at 3pm.

This day will also be a Mufti Day. The funds go towards helping to pay for the wonderful Kapa Haka tutoring we are getting from Horrace.

Student-Led Goal-Setting Meetings

THURSDAY 31st MARCH

3.30pm - 6.30pm

****ROOM 5 MEETINGS - POSTPONED****

This year we are continuing with the Goal Setting Meetings with yourself, your child and the teacher
This is scheduled for Thursday 31st March from 3.30 - 6.30.

Please organise a time by contacting Maree.
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.

Please indicate your preferred time,
Maree will try to fit you in to the timetable as best as possible.

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

STUDENT-LED GOAL-SETTING MEETINGS TERM 1 2022

Juliette Ridge		Camilla Going		Elly Vanasche		David Acton	
31-Mar-22		31-Mar-22		31-Mar-22		31-Mar-22	
3.30	Ava Smith	3.30	Ivy Donald	3.30	Kaeden Smart	3.30	
3.40	Sofia Putz	3.40	Bertie Mulgrew	3.40	Kenzie White	3.40	Taylor Cook
3.50	Darcy Jo Simpson	3.50	Dylan Nicholson	3.50	Niko Gerritsen	3.50	Miyah Nafatali
4.00	Flynn Beauchamp	4.00	Riley White	4.00	Taylor Crisp	4.00	Ruby Simpson
4.10		4.10	Ayla Canobie Harris	4.10		4.10	Harry Adams
4.20	Zara Canobie Harris	4.20	Emily Crisp	4.20	Liam Nicholson	4.20	
4.30		4.30	Poppy Adams	4.30	Mika Thompson	4.30	
4.40	Luka Hielkema	4.40	Kajetan Eyton	4.40		4.40	
4.50		4.50	Kylani Knights	4.50	Malachi Wilson	4.50	Benjamin Eyton
5.00		5.00	Matias Goldsworthy	5.00	Kyan Knights	5.00	
5.10	Scott Sutherland	5.10	John Wilson	5.10		5.10	
5.20		5.20		5.20		5.20	
5.30	William Hofstetter	5.30		5.30	Millie Barker	5.30	
5.40		5.40	Libby Barker	5.40		5.40	
5.50		5.50		5.50		5.50	Cameron Dorsers
6.00		6.00	Maia Paterson	6.00		6.00	Yoshimasa Tadome
6.10		6.10		6.10		6.10	
6.20		6.20		6.20	Rosina Woolley	6.20	
6.30		6.30		6.30	Ryan Singh	6.30	

**Please note,
we will
have **Entry**
and **Exit**
point signs
for each
classroom
on the doors
for health
and safety.**

This is a copy of the message that was sent via email to all parents/caregivers on Monday 28th March.

Kia ora koutou

I am very sorry to be the bearer of challenging news but all Room 5 children will need to stay home this week and follow an online learning programme. There has been another Room 5 case [with more expected] and Mrs Halse, although negative at the moment, obviously has to stay home as she is a family, close contact with Bailey, her son, who is positive. We simply cannot get a suitable reliever who will be safe teaching in Room 5. Mrs Halse:

- will be in touch with Room 5 children to give them advice and guidance related to her online learning programme for this week;
- will also need to reschedule her Goal-Setting meetings which can't happen this Thursday now.

For the whole of the Opuia School whanau:

- Any siblings of Room 5 children who have tested positive should, obviously, stay home and follow the isolation period as family contacts of a positive case;
- Any siblings of Room 5 children who have tested negative are welcome to return to school;
- Please monitor all children in every room for symptoms. If a child shows any symptoms or is unwell in any way, however mild, please keep these children home and get them tested.
- At this stage, Rooms 1, 2, 3 and 4 will continue to operate but this could change very quickly as we are hearing of family members [of children here] who are testing positive every day now and pulling their children out to begin their family isolation periods. Please be as prepared as possible for us to have to close another room or, indeed, the whole school down if many more children and teachers start testing positive.
- Also, at this stage, the Goal-setting meetings for Rooms 1, 2, 3 and 4 will go ahead as normal on Thursday this week but, again, this might need to change at short notice depending on how many families can't attend due to positive test results.

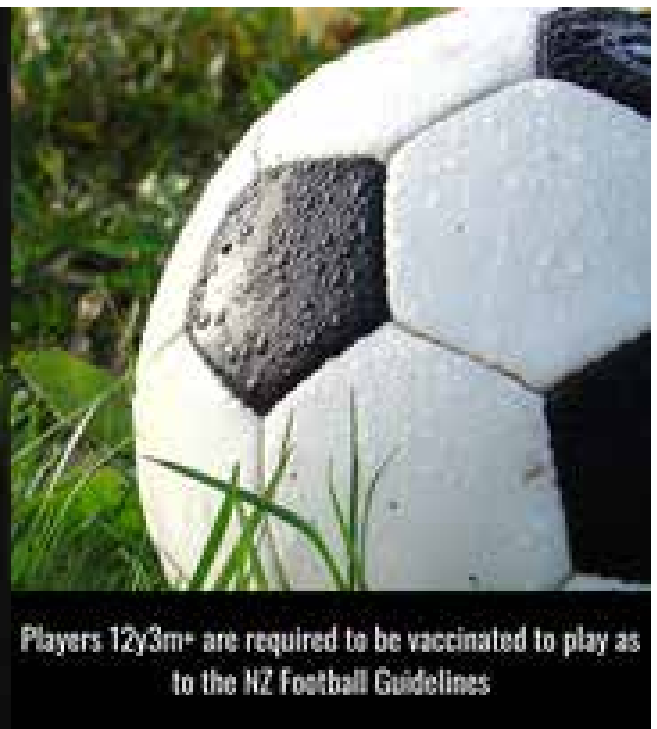
Once again, these circumstances are far from ideal and I absolutely acknowledge that this is very disruptive for parents and caregivers. Health and safety and being able to operate the school safely are top priorities and we are all really trying hard to keep the level of disruption to an absolute minimum whilst following the rules and being safe.

I will keep whanau informed via email if any situations change and don't hesitate to contact me via email if you have any questions.

Best wishes to all,
Simon
Principal

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ROLLER BLADES

Ms Halse is asking if anyone has rollerblades at home that they no longer use or have outgrown that they would like to donate to school as we have finally had to retire our last very well loved pair as the wheels have literally come off.



Are you thinking about home based childcare?

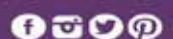
Join our PAUA community of preschoolers and home based Educators!

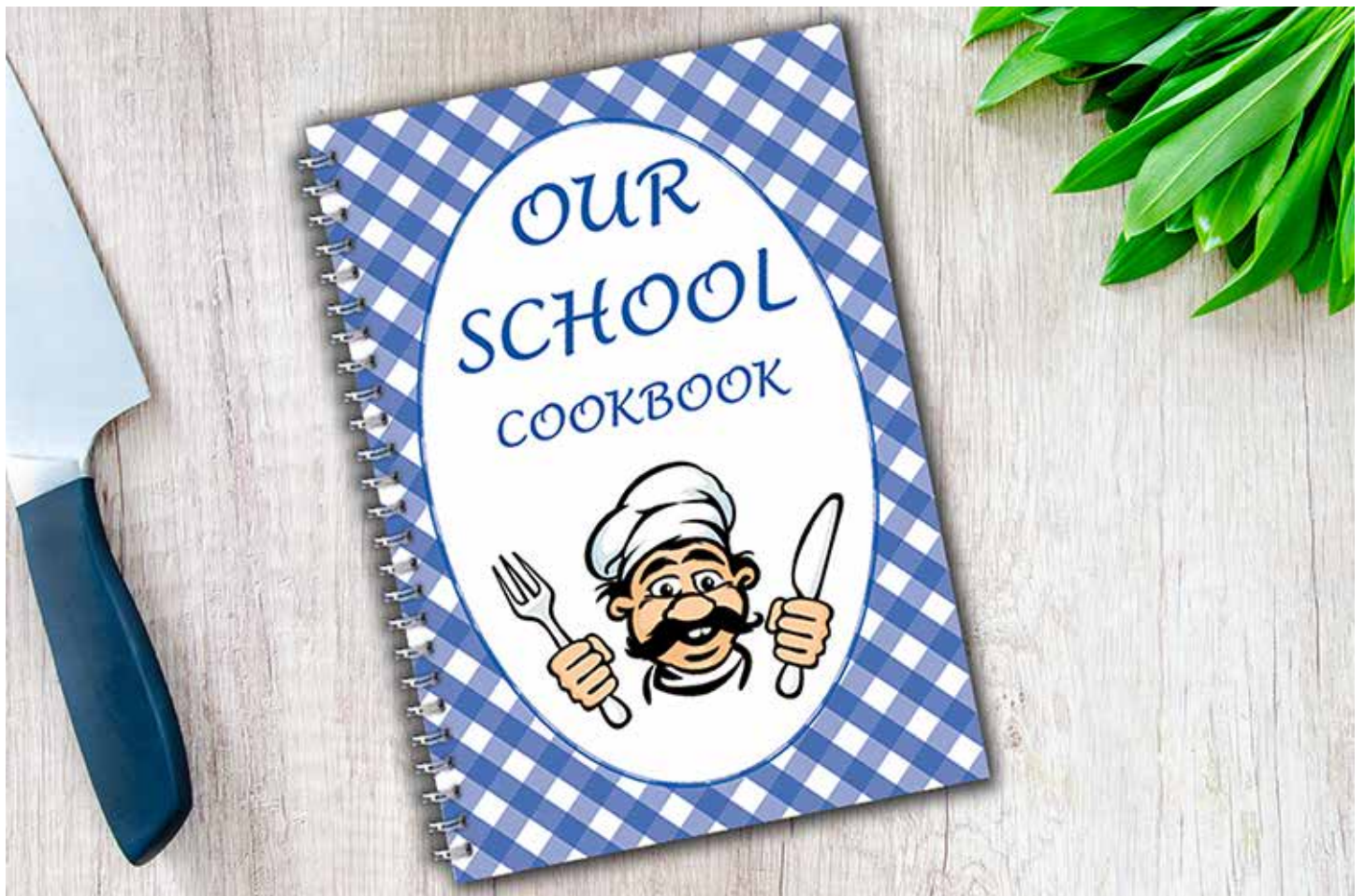
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As promised, this year we will get the Opuia School Cookbook underway.

We are hoping that it will be a great Fundraiser for the school and that it will bring lots of money.

Tamara and Katja will design the cookbook and will get it printed with no costs involved for the school, so the whole profit of the sales will be for Opuia School with no outgoing costs beforehand.

Our aim is to have the book finished by October, so it's ready for Xmas and can be sold beforehand.

We need your help! We have sent two pages home (last week), which need to be returned to school by the 9th of May. That gives you time to help your child fill it out during the school holidays.

Children who returned the pages will be featured in the cookbook. Katja and Tamara will make a date and time after the 9th of May to come and take a picture of the children (food- related pictures).