

NEWSLETTER NO. 19 - 1st November 2023

Nau mai haere mai, Greetings | Tena Koutou | Konnichiwa | Groete | Namaste | Talofa Lava | Malo e Lelei | Ni sa bula | Fakalofa lahi atu | Kia Orana | Asalam Alykum | Ni Hao |

With so much that has happened (in a short time), and for the happenings still to come, we would like to express our sincere thanks and appreciation to the involvement of our families & whānau in supporting our learners.

Show Day

What a wonderful day our Show Day was on Saturday 28th October 2023 😊. It was heartwarming to see so many people unite with us at school enjoying the day - what a turnout! Manawa-tīna (family, community, togetherness, unity and friends) filled the air across the morning.

A huge thank you to everyone for the success of our day - students, parents, whānau, staff, Board, judges and our community. Your attendance, support and generosity were key factors in what makes days like this happen 😊🌸

The school would like to acknowledge our lamb judge Sue. Sue was new to our judging ring this year, and thoroughly enjoyed uniting with us for the day.

It was a pleasure to have Matt, Fiona and Lillia awarding ribbons in the show day ring. The Varley family has had three generations of learners who've attended Whakamārama School, and whilst not having a lamb contesting this year, they have great knowledge and experience from years past 😊



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Acknowledgement of Achievement

<p><u>Lambs - Year 1-3</u> Leading: 1st Zac, 2nd Willow, 3rd Brayden Calling: 1st Ruby, 2nd Willow, 3rd Xavier Rearing: 1st Brayden, 2nd Willow, 3rd Xavier</p>	<p><u>Lambs - Year 4-7</u> Leading: 1st Chloe, 2nd Evan, 3rd Ayda Calling: 1st Armani, 2nd Evan, 3rd Ayda Rearing: 1st Ayda, Chloe, Armani, Evan and Alyssa</p>	<p>Small Animals 1st Indie (budgie) Whilst a little light on small animals this year, Indie spoke exceptionally about her budgie Bluey.</p>
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Champions of Champions will be awarded and celebrated at our assembly on Monday 6th of November.

Show Day Survey

To support planning for Show Day 2024, we seek your feedback and ideas. What is working? What areas could be further developed? Do you see opportunities for any additions to our day? Any other comments?

Please pop into the link below to provide us with your feedback. Appreciated and valued ★

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/FTZTQWS>

Thank you parents that have already provided feedback - SUPER! Thoughtful feedback. Constructive feedback ★



Bayleys

The school extends a huge thank you to Anton and Elize for supporting our Show Day. Their efforts on the BBQ and a \$250 donation was valued and hugely appreciated. For next year, Anton from Bayleys, would like to get more involved with the sponsorship of our day.



Tall Poppies Athletics

Despite the ever changing weather on Wednesday 25th October, our Year 7 and 8 tamariki had a fabulous time at the Tall Poppies athletics event. They tried their best, cheered each other on and made their school very proud. Kei runga noa atu! Outstanding! 😊

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CONGRATULATIONS

2nd 300m Year 7 Girls: Payton

2nd 800m Year 7 Boys: Cullan

Small Schools' Athletics

What more can be said, the weather led to the cancellation of Small Schools' Athletics. Thank you Ōmokoroa Point School for making decisions early. Thank you for putting the health and safety of learners across our cluster first - definitely the right decision! We will be popping through some of our own results on Thursday 2nd November.

Play Week: 6th - 10th November

Next week is Sport NZ's Play Week. The theme this year is 'Play is Everywhere!' Our school will be jumping on board and celebrating play 😊 Each day we are going to have a spotlight on different play. We look forward to sharing our week with you.



Rāhina - Messy Monday

Playdough, water play, paint creations, gloop

Rātu - Tinkering Tuesday

Loose parts play, construction

Rāapa - Wacky Wednesday

Dress-ups, face paint, drama, wacky hair

Rāpare - Thoughtful Thursday

Inclusive play experiences

Rāmere - Free Friday

Students let their creativity roar!



New Classrooms

The wheels are finally moving for our new classrooms 😊 On Wednesday 8th November, there will be a formal introduction of Modular Classrooms Limited (MCL). They have been engaged through the MOE, Offsite Modular Build (OMB) programme, as a preferred supplier who will be involved with initially carrying out relevant site investigations at our school. The site investigations will provide a more robust scope which allows MCL to establish project cost which informs feasibility. MCL should be able to talk to timing and details around the site investigations from their side.

Planning for 2024

To support strategic planning for the next two years, the board wants to hear from you. Your input and suggestions will provide valued feedback, information and ideas that will help us make informed decisions as we plan for the future. Thank you parents that have taken this opportunity to share feedback with us - VALUED, APPRECIATED AND RECOGNISED!



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The board is gathering your feedback using the 3 box model (keep doing, start doing, or stop doing). Pop into the office to 'post' us some feedback; or you may jot something down at home and have your child 'post' your feedback. There is also the option of using an online link to provide us with your feedback. You can pop in and out of this link at any time - <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/J2LF2Q9>.

If you have feedback that doesn't quite fit the 3 box model labels - that's OK; add your feedback to any of the boxes 😊

To further open up the opportunity to gather your voice, we invite you to come into school on **Tuesday 14th November at 3:05 pm (till 4:05)**. Make a cup of tea / coffee, grab a light snack and brainstorm away on laid out charts in Room 1. Chat with one another, ask questions and share your ideas.

Camp Aongatete

Thank you parents / caregivers that have returned forms for their child's attendance at camp. To support the organisation, please return these ASAP. Before we know it, we will be at camp.

Parent & Helpers Afternoon Thank You Afternoon Tea

As a special thank you to all our parents, whānau and helpers for your support across 2023 ... trips, school lunches, show day, sharing your knowledge and skills, supporting your child / children, organised sport - and the list goes on..... As a way of saying a GREAT big thank you for all the help and support you have given us across 2023, you are invited to an afternoon tea on Monday 27th October at 2:00 pm at the hall - mark your calendar 😊 Watch out for an RSVP notice coming home soon.

PTA Jingle Bell Rock Community Family Disco

The PTA warmly invites the community to come and join them for a night filled with disco fun! DJ Babs will be keeping you on the dance floor all night long. Have a fun night filled with games, prizes, neon Christmas merchandise and plenty of yummy food and refreshments available to purchase.

Your Friday night dinner can be sorted with delicious food available to purchase on the night or pre order when purchasing your tickets.

THEIR LAST DISCO SOLD OUT, SO GET IN QUICK! LOTS OF CHRISTMAS FUN TO BE HAD!

Tickets available to purchase from Humanitix. Early Bird tickets on sale till 6th November 2023. Door sales on the night \$7.00 per child (up to 17 years old) - unless sold out prior.



Every student. Every day.

Attendance

The school would like to thank parents and whānau for fostering the importance of attendance and ensuring that every day counts towards learning.

Our goal, and the Ministry of Education goal, is ākonga attending school regularly (90% attendance, which means only having one day off every fortnight). Days absent, days late, it all adds up!

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Parents Cybersafety Evening - Monday 20th November, 6.30pm @ Ōmokoroa No.1 School

Because of the rapidly changing times, our tamariki are growing up in an online world that faces many challenges.

Ōmokoroa School has organised Filmmaker, Author and Speaker Rob Cope, producer of the documentary 'Our Kids Online' to come and give what promises to be a humorous and eye-opening evening talk to parents.



A link to further information will be popped on ClassDojo. **If you are interested in attending, please let Sharon know in the office (not Ōmokoroa No.1 School).** There are limited tickets available, so let us know ASAP if you are interested.

CONGRATULATIONS to students who received a class award or Principal's award at our whole school assembly on Friday 20th October. Tino pai rawa atu!

ROOM 3 RECOGNITION CERTIFICATES		
Week 2 20th October	Jamie T	Yay Jamie T - A super focus during Maths learning. Think about the maths challenge - Keep your focus. Well done.
	Cohen	Wow! Super reading. Cohen is an independent reader - Great! He is thinking about what he reads. Fab learning!
	Harry	Fantastic! Harry is a mathematician. Wonderful problem solving. Harry, you approach problems with thought. Miharo
ROOM 2 RECOGNITION CERTIFICATES		
Week 2 20th October	Indhie	For always being ready and willing to give new learning a try in Maths.
	Xavier	For asking thoughtful questions and offering sensible ideas during class discussions.
	Zac	For being a super reader - you think about what you are reading and are ready to answer questions.
ROOM 4 RECOGNITION CERTIFICATES		
Week 2 20th October	Alyssa	For being an amazing role model at Whakamarama School. You are friendly, polite, respectful and a wonderful friend to all of your classmates. Ataahua, Alyssa!
	Kingston	For displaying the Value of Responsibility. You are organised for learning, listen carefully and work hard to remain focused in the classroom. Tino pai rawa atu, Kingston!
	Byron	For being a careful observer, listener and critical thinker. You think outside the box and share your unique ideas with others. Tino pai, Byron!

SCHOOL NOTICEBOARD

Please keep yourself up-to-date with the school newsboard that comes out fortnightly in the newsletter or on the school website

WHIRINGA-Ā-RANGI / NOVEMBER	
Thursday 2nd	Yr 7 & 8 Technology - Remember your shoes and school t-shirt
Friday 3rd	WBoP Touch
Monday 6th	Assembly 2.15pm - Come join us!!
Monday 6th - Friday 10th	Play Week
Wednesday 8th	WBoP Primary Orienteering
Thursday 9th	Yr 7 & 8 Technology - Remember your shoes and school t-shirt
Friday 10th	PTA Jingle Bell Rock Family Disco 5.30pm - 8pm
Saturday 11th	Marimba Festival
Tuesday 14th	Parent Planning Meeting 3.05pm
Thursday 16th	Yr 7 & 8 Technology - Remember your shoes and school t-shirt
Friday 17th	Cricket World Cup Mixed Teams
Friday 17th	Assembly 2.15pm - Come join us!!

Manawa Nui

Manawa Roa

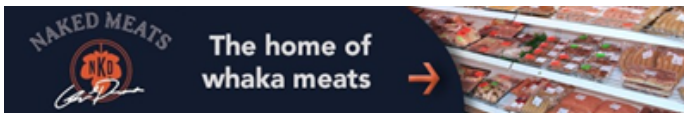
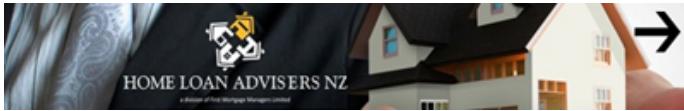
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Manawa Tina

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Monday 20th	Parent Cybersafety Evening - Omokoroa No 1 School @ 6pm
Tuesday 21st	BoT Meeting 6pm
Friday 24th	Omokoroa Whakangahau
Monday 27th	Parent / Helper Thank You Afternoon Tea Whakamārama Hall @2pm
Thursday 30th	Yr 7 & 8 Technology - Remember your shoes and school t-shirt
HAKIHEA / DECEMBER	
Friday 1st	Girls Cricket Festival
Friday 1st	Social Dance Year 8s
Tuesday 5th	Bike Ready Years 5 & 6
Tuesday 5th	BoT Meeting 6pm
Friday 8th	Prizegiving Assemblies
11 - 13th Monday - Wednesday	Camp Aongatete - Rooms 1 & 4
14 - 15th Thursday - Friday	Camp Aongatete - Rooms 2 & 3
Tuesday 19th	Last day of Term 4
HUI-TANGURU / FEBRUARY 2024	
Thursday 1st	First day of Term 1
Tuesday 6th	Waitangi Day - School Closed

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HEY KIDS – COME AND PLAY SOFTBALL IN TERM 4!
WBOP SOFTBALL ASSN. CARLTON RESERVE, OTUMOETA
SATURDAY MORNINGS. 28TH OCTOBER – 16TH DECEMBER 2023
'HAVE A GO' DAYS – SUNDAYS 1ST and 8TH OCTOBER 12PM-2PM
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Omokoroa Athletics Club is now open for the Summer Season 2023/24
Western Avenue Lower Sports Field Omokoroa

Term Dates:
Start Term 4: Wed 11th Oct – 13th Dec 2023 (Break for the holidays)
Returning Term 1: Wed 7th Feb – 10th Apr 2024

Term Times:
Minors (3 - 4 years) & Juniors (5 - 6years) at 4.15 – 5.00pm.
Inters (7 - 9 years) & Seniors (10 - 14 Years) 4.30 - 6.00pm.
Please Note: all ages will be on the field at one time

Member Fees (Term 4 and Term 1):
3-4 years \$65.00
5-6 years \$70.00
7-14 years \$100.00

Member Registration Form – Game Day:
<https://regofrm.mygameday.app/#/registration-form/?orgId=OApvsh5Rq15XU0dqT6&formId=EQnfvLaQdWQk2GqVKI> (Remember that all three boxes need to be ticked to proceed through the registration process. Incl: Athletics NZ, Waikato BOP and Omokoroa Athletics Club)

We require parent support this summer season due to a restructure of the club. We have reduced our club fees to encourage as many kids / parents to get involved and make this a fun, educational and supportive club night.

ATTENDANCE MATTERS
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ATTENDANCE

- Open the Skool Loop App & select Absentee
- Select a date range, if applicable
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• identify as a Pacific or Māori person
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