



# Onerahi Primary School

## Newsletter



9 August 2017

*Together We Shape Our Future*

No. 6

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Tena Koutou Kātoa  
Nimen Hao

A walk around our beautiful school will reveal just how ready for learning everybody is after the school holidays. Children are talking about how they are growing plants, coding games, designing artwork, reading and writing captivating stories, exploring maths everywhere and conducting scientific experiments.

If you were to ask some of our learners you might hear about a visiting lamb and the way the class cared for it, showing empathy and compassion. Ask others and you may hear about Ancient Greece and the birth of philosophy.

A heart felt thanks to parents who have already touched base with your children's teachers this term. Your relationship with our school and your children makes a true difference to their success. We look forward to seeing you at one of the many events happening this term. Kia Ora!

### Mid Term Break

A reminder that **Monday 28 August** is our **Mid Term Break** at Onerahi School. School will be closed this day. Children return to school on Tuesday 29 August.

### No Pizza Orders

**There are no Hell Pizza orders this Friday 11 August.** Pizza orders resume again on Friday 18 August.

### The School Day

In the light of the changing needs of our learners, we are going to trial a different structure to our day. This will start on Monday 14 August for the rest of the term. School will continue to start at 9am and finish at 3pm. There will be two even breaks. One at 11.10am to 11.40am and the other at 1.30pm to 2.00pm. There will also be two ten minute eating breaks during

the day. If you have any queries do not hesitate to talk to your child's teacher.

### Staffing

We farewell Isobel Arkwright from Onerahi School. Isobel resigned at the end of term two after 14 years of teaching at Onerahi School. We wish her all the best. Jade Grant is the teacher in Room 7 for the rest of the year.

### Onerahi School Senior Cross Country

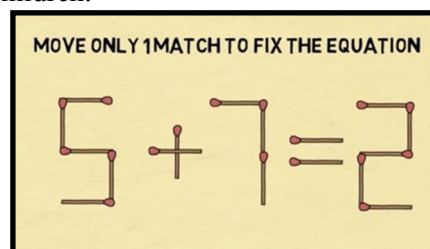
#### Tuesday 15 August

We will be walking up to Onerahi Sports Domain, leaving school at 10:30am. Children will need to take warm clothing and drink bottles. Races will begin with the 8 year old girls, then 8 year old boys and up through the age groups. This is based on their ages as on January 1 this year. You are all welcome to join us at the domain to encourage the children on this day.

### Maths Week 14 – 18 August

Next week is Maths Week and a wonderful opportunity to see the maths in the world that surrounds us. By putting on our Maths Eyes ([www.haveyougotmathseyes.com](http://www.haveyougotmathseyes.com)) we can see that maths is everywhere! Some of the activities that we will have next week are daily maths challenges that the class will collaborate on and going on a Maths Eyes hunt around the school.

Try discussing this at home with your children:



### Special Assembly

Next Wednesday, we will be hosting a Special School Assembly where

students will have the opportunity to share some of the wonderful learning that has been happening in their classrooms. Our Junior and Senior Kapa Haka groups will also be performing, including the Super 10 group who performed at the Manaia View Matariki Festival last term. The assembly will begin at 1:45pm. We look forward to seeing you there.

### School Camp

Thank you so much for the support you have shown the Year 5 camp fundraising this term. Students have focused on fundraising by selling Smencils and having a Wheel-a-thon. All those that have donated will go in the draw to win a SUP Voucher for two adults and three children for 2 hours with SUP BRO (paddle boarding experience). If you would still like to donate and go in this draw, pop any donations into the school office. Thanks again from the Year 5 students and teachers.

### Intermediate School Enrolments Whangarei Intermediate School

Enrolment packs have been given to Year 6 children. If your child intends to go to WIS, these need to be returned to WIS by Friday 22 September. WIS Parent Information Evening is on Tuesday 15 August from 6 to 7pm at the WIS Hall. Open days are on Wednesday 16 and Thursday 17 August.

### Pompallier Catholic College

Open day—Sunday 13 August 2.00-4.00pm. If your child is considering going to Pompallier College, there is a letter at Onerahi School office to be picked up.

### Huanui College

Representatives from Huanui College will be visiting with our year 6 children on Wednesday 23 August.

## Photo competition 2017

Calling all our wonderful photographers.

We have extended the cut off date to Friday 18 August. Our theme this year is Structures and Buildings. Your focus may be on lines,



texture or unusual buildings. There will be two age groups 5-7 and 8-10. Photos may be taken on any device but must be your own work, There will be some samples in the Info Centre to inspire you. The email address is [rosie.d@onerahi.school.nz](mailto:rosie.d@onerahi.school.nz) Thanks Mrs Drummond & Mr Dent.

child/children's dental appointments. Please phone **0800 MY TEETH** (0800 6983384) to book an appointment to discuss your child's oral health.

Pre-school tamariki can be enrolled at birth. Please ring 0800MYTEETH and make an appointment to enrol your child/children.

We would appreciate that any letters we issue are completed and returned to the school office as soon as possible after issue.

We are happy to answer any questions with regards to your tamariki's oral health.

Kind regards

The Dental Team—Cathy and Joanne

## Onerahi Football Club

The season is quickly drawing to an end. Could we please ask that all trophies be returned asap, in order to have time to engrave these with this years talented winners.

Trophies can be returned to Carol in the Onerahi School office. Thanks



## Daffodil Day

To show our support for Daffodil Day, Room 19 will be selling daffodils at school for a gold coin donation. These will start to be sold from August 14 through to Daffodil Day.

## Onerahi Oral Health Clinic

We encourage you to attend your

## Coming Events:

14—18 August

Tuesday 15 August

Wednesday 16 August

Thursday 17 August

Wednesday 23 August

Thursday 24 August

23—25 August

Monday 28 August

30 Aug—1 Sept

Maths Week

Senior School Cross Country

Special Assembly

Whangarei Turbo Touch Championship Tournament

Huanui College visiting year 6 children

Green/Gold Celebration Assembly

Rm 22 and some Rm 13— School Camp at Pataua

Mid Term Break (School Closed)

Rm 4 and some Rm 13—School Camp at Pataua



## Community Notices:

- Dyslexia Plus invites you to hear Joy Allcock "From Language to Literacy" at St John's Church, 149 Kamo Road on Friday 18 August from 7:30 to 9:00pm. \$5 donatoion to help children with dyslexia. Please phone 4300693 if you are attending.
- The soundcave presents DRIVE IN MOVIE NIGHT—Tutukaka Marina—17 August—showing Moana, 24 August—showing Hunt for the Wilderpeople 6:30pm Part of the Tutukaka Coast Winter Festival.
- Story Time Character Hunt—Sunday 13 August 10:30am at the Whangarei Central Library. Search the nooks and crannies of the Library for real live storybook characters. Come dressed as your favourite character and be in to win.
- For Parents – Language to Literacy -Dyslexia PLUS is hosting Joy Allcock on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> of August 7.30 – 9pm at the Pat Irving Lounge, St John's Church, Kamo Rd. There is a \$5 door fee All welcome.
- SKATE CLASS—Thursdays 3.30pm @ Onerahi Hall. Basics to advanced skills, games and more. All ages and levels welcome. If interested, subscribe at [skatescool.co.nz](http://skatescool.co.nz) Contact: Brigitte 09 434 4414
- Come and try GirlGuiding! We have spaces in our Whangarei Central groups, and would love to offer you 3 free visits to give it a go. If you would like your daughter to try a global organisation based on development and leadership as well as offering loads of fun and social experiences, get in touch. We have Pippins 5.15pm-6.15pm (5-6yrs old) and Brownies 5.15-6.45pm (7-9yrs old) on Wednesday's with spaces available. [www.girlguidingnz.org.nz](http://www.girlguidingnz.org.nz) 0800 484 331
- Whangarei Libraries 2017 Character Hunt Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> August 2017, 10.30 - 12noon. Come along and hunt for storybook characters in the Central Library. Spot Prizes for children in costume. Great fun for the whole family.
- Futsal is Here: Indoor football for boys and girls aged between 8 and 15. For details and info check out our website [www.northlandfutsalacademy.co.nz](http://www.northlandfutsalacademy.co.nz). Contact Christian on 0212467328 or [Christian@northlandfutsalacademy.co.nz](mailto:Christian@northlandfutsalacademy.co.nz)
- Huanui College present "The Little Mermaid" at Capitaine Bougainville Theatre on the 10th and 11th August at 12 and 6pm and on 12th August at 2 and 6pm. Tickets through Ticketek. \$10 child and \$12 adult.
- Fantastic Gymnastics 2017—Fun and fitness for children of all ages. Parua bay Community Centre. Monday to Thursday afternoons. Call/text 0276659174, email [hannah@fantasticgymnastics.co.nz](mailto:hannah@fantasticgymnastics.co.nz)
- Monster Garage Sale—Saturday 19 August from 7am to 1pm at Whangarei Intermediate School Hall. Funds

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## Supporting success in your school.

If you are a parent, staff member or member of the school community and you draw down a new ASB home loan of \$250,000 or more, ASB will donate to your chosen participating school:

**\$500**

ASB lending criteria and terms apply. Fees may apply. To be eligible for this donation your new home loan application must be received, approved and then documented in a facility agreement, along with the completion of a school donation voucher between 1 July 2017 and 30 June 2018. A minimum of 20% equity is required in the security property provided to ASB. This home loan offer is only available on loans secured by an owner-occupied residential property. Only one donation will be given per customer. Donations will be made by ASB on behalf of the customer to the chosen school upon full draw down of the new home loan. This offer excludes loans for business purposes and bridging.

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