

28-06-2022

COMING EVENTS

Please note, these dates can be subject to change

Wed 29th Jun: Parent/Teacher Interviews, School Closes @ 12.30pm

Wed 6th Jul: Kea Community Event - Matariki Celebration

Thur 7th Jul: Mr Johnson's Birthday

Fri 8th Jul: End of Term Two

Mon 25th Jul: First Day of Term Three – yaaay!

Current School Roll – 555

Text Number for Absentees

027 584 2592

If your child is going to be away from school please text 027 584 2592 before 8.55am to let us know.

Parent/Teacher Interviews TOMORROW 😊

Wednesday 29th June

School Closes @ 12.30pm

Jump online and book your Parent/Teacher Interview now! Visit www.schoolinterviews.co.nz and use the code **dd8p6**. We ask that parents wear facemasks while in the classrooms please. Remember school will close at 12.30pm tomorrow so please make alternative arrangements for your child/children.

Psssst! Wanna buy a book??

Our OPS library cancelled book sale is now on! Five books for a gold coin donation. Morning tea time (11-11.20am) at the school library. The sale is on every morning tea until the end of term, or until all of the books are gone. These are older, culled books from the school library but there are plenty of "gems" in there. Proceeds will go towards buying new books for the library. Steve 😊

Before School – Wait Outside the Hall Please

ALL children are asked to wait outside the hall if they arrive at school before 8.30am. If children/parents arrive at school before the 8.30am bell they are asked NOT to go to the classrooms. Thank you 😊



Yummy Stickers

Keep munching and crunching your way through the Yummy Apples and fill up the sticker collection sheets. We earn sports equipment for

our school for every completed sticker sheet we send back. Please pop the stickered forms into the PTA box. Thanks!

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Use the event code dd8p6 then follow the prompts.

BOARD OF TRUSTEE ELECTIONS

WOULD YOU LIKE TO BE
A SCHOOL TRUSTEE!

The Ōtūmoetai Primary School Board of Trustee Elections are coming up soon! The trustee role is a fantastic opportunity to be involved in the life of Ōtūmoetai Primary School and your child's education. The role focusses on governance and strategy rather than management.

If you are interested in a trustee role on the Board or wish to find out more about the requirements of the position, please contact Zara McIndoe – z.mcindoe@ops.school.nz or one of our BOT members. More information about our current BOT members can be found on our school website – www.ops.school.nz

Principal's Panui

The Education Review Office (ERO) is the government's external evaluation agency. ERO evaluates and reports on the education and care of learners in schools. The Education Review Office has recently shifted to a more developmental approach when evaluating schools. This new evaluation approach to school improvement is called Te Ara Huarau. ERO 'partner' with schools around an agreed focus. Ōtūmoetai Primary School was chosen as a pilot school for the rollout of this new approach which started in 2020. We have been working with an ERO Evaluation Partner over the last 18 months.

Our 2022 strategic priorities for improving outcomes for learners at Ōtūmoetai Primary School are as follow:

- to embed and consolidate school curriculum expectations and formative assessment practices
- to continue to establish and maintain effective learning partnerships with parents and whānau to support improved outcomes for students
- to weave te reo, te ao and tikanga Māori visibly and authentically into school learning programmes, classrooms, and local curriculum

Strengths from our recent report state that: Ōtūmoetai Primary School is working to evaluate how well school conditions are continuing to enable equitable outcomes and raising the level of academic success for all, with a particular focus on boys and Māori students. Enhancing effective learning partnerships with parents and whanau and further strengthening culturally responsive practices continue to be priorities for the school. Ōtūmoetai Primary School has a well-established plan that clarifies actions for improvements, builds collective capacity through ongoing professional learning and contributes to effective evaluation of the school's curriculum & teaching. The school has also shown a commitment to reconciliation with Maōri through an apology for historical school grievances, that has strengthened their positive relationships with whanau, hāpu and iwi.

We have been issued with our School Profile Report and this will be posted onto the ERO website - www.ero.govt.nz - you can find our review report/s by typing in our school name.

We are a high-performing school, and you can be assured that our wonderful staff are providing quality and inclusive education in a learning focused environment. Good systems are in place to promote student safety and wellbeing, and there are close and supportive relationships among students, staff, parents & whanau.

Thank you to our enthusiastic children, dedicated and hardworking staff, friendly and involved families and supportive and committed PTA and BOT.

Ehara taku toa i te toa takitahi, Engari he toa takitini. Success is not the work of one but the work of many.

Thank you for your ongoing support of our school.

Ngā mihi nui
Zara McIndoe
Principal/Tumuaki

NO QUESTIONS ASKED

Kids, please have a forage through your desk, bag, bedroom, the car, your secret hidey hole that nobody knows about, **LOOK EVERYWHERE**. Look for any OPS sport uniforms, school readers, journals, library books, house tokens etc etc. You can anonymously return any of these items to the office or your classroom. Any house tokens will be gratefully received by Tōtara House