

11-12-2023

EXCITING & IMPORTANT SCHOOL DATES

Please note: these dates can be subject to change.

Tues 12th Dec: Kea & Weka Prize giving 9.30@ City Church

Wed 13th Dec: 2024 Meet the Teacher @ 12.30pm

School reports and books home today

Thurs 14th Dec: Yr 6 Social Dance, 6-8pm

Fri 15th Dec: School closes @ 12.30pm

Relaaaaaaaxed fun family time

Thurs 1st Feb 2024: Meet the Teacher 2-3pm

Wed 7th Feb: First Day Term 1

Stationery Lists/Order Forms Go Home Wednesday 7th Feb

Current School Roll - 601

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

2024 OPS STAFF

Zara McIndoe Principal

Marcus Hughes Senior School Deputy Principal

Jill Miller Junior School Deputy Principal

Cathie Stenhouse Learning Support Coordinator

Classroom Teachers

Weka Team

Rm 1-Karina Fry

Rm 2 -Tia Tarau

Rm 3 - Katie Wallace (Team Leader)

Rm 4 - Carl Acton

Rm 5 - Cody Schou

Rm 23 - Jane Foster

Rm 24 - Kendyll Reeve

Kea Team

Rm 6 - Carla Morrison

Rm 7 - Olivia-Kate Aplin

Rm 8 - Kaaren O'Neill

Rm 9 - Nyree Hanna (Team Leader)

Rm 10 - Jo Denny

Rm 11 - Wayne Miller

Rm 12 - Fiona Brown

Ruru Team

Rm 14 - Kathy Nicholson

Rm 15 - Rachael Rowley (Team Leader)

Rm 16 - Anika Abbott

Rm 17 - Emma Sherratt

Rm 18 - Carolyn Andrews

Tui Team

Rm 20 - Sally Park (Team Leader)

Rm 21 - Fiona McKenzie

Rm 22 - Andrea Griffin

2024 Summer Sport

Registrations Open Now

Kiwitag - Volleyball - Minipolo - Rippa Rugby

Check out the links on our school website and sign up for 2024 summer sports now.

Sport Uniforms

Please return any and all sports uniforms/sports tops/shorts/netball dresses to the red sports bin in the hall ASAP. Thank you

Claim It or Lose It FOREVER

Please check the lost property cupboard (in the corridor behind Rm 3). Anything not named or claimed will be donated to the clothing bin at the end of the term.

Pool Key Hire - Last Chance

Final chance to hire a key for the 2023/24 summer period. Forms available on the PTA box in the library. Please put \$100 (cash only) into an envelope with the signed form before 9am Wednesday 13th and we will issue your key.

Specialist Teachers

Art - Jill Miller

Music - Adam McLean

Dance/Drama - Anna Robinson

PE/Te Reo Māori/Waiata - Jon Baird

STEM (Science/Technology/Engineering/Maths) - Rhiarn Reedy

Kapa Haka - Jeremy Hantler

ESOL (English as a Second Language) - Dylan Parker

International Student Teacher - Victoria Caughey

Classroom Release Teachers

Grace Bollen, Carmelina Taylor, Rhiarn Reedy, Adam McLean, Kylie Henley

Reading Recovery & Special Programme/Support Teachers

Lisa Thorne

Fiona McKenzie

Linda Wilson

Kylie Henley

Roles That Don't Have One Simple Name

Ross Johnson Caretaker Extraordinaire

Wendy Bryers Office Administrator

Fuchsia Crockford Admin Assistant

Jessica Baty IT Facilitator/Library Manager

Behaviour Support/Teacher Aides

Fuchsia Crockford, Evelyn Cullen, Joanne Curd, Victoria Gleeson, Jordan Grogan. Rosie Kempe, Jimmy Pender, Jason Shepard, Jacqui Smith, Lisa Steptoe, Nathan Va'atausili, Jodie Whale

2023 House Sponsors

A huge thanks to the following businesses who have sponsored the School Houses and CARE rewards in 2023.

The sponsorship has provided the CARE ribbons, badges, and certificates that your child has brought home during the year for showing the CARE values.

Tōtara (Blue) sponsored by Right Choice Builders
Kauri (Black) sponsored by Lafont Advanced Skin Clinic

Rimu (Purple) not sponsored in 2023

Pūriri (Green) sponsored by Legacy Funerals

Kōwhai (Yellow) sponsored by Ōtūmoetai Automotive

Pōhutukawa (Red) - Guy Refrigeration and Air Conditioning

A special mention to the Temara Whānau / Right Choice Builders for being the Tōtara House sponsor from the very beginning. We really appreciate your support.



Thank you, Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays!

Thank you to our wonderful parent and whānau community for your support this year. We have appreciated your help in the classroom, on school trips, coaching/managing and supporting sports teams. Thank you for attending school events & trips. Thank you for contributing to school reviews, surveys and school fundraisers. Thank you for having your child prepared for school, for spending quality time with them, for reading to them, for having them to school on time, providing them with healthy lunches, ensuring that their uniforms are named and for supporting them with homework. Our school would not be as fabulous if it weren't for each and every one of you. Here's wishing you a wonderful Christmas, a Happy New Year and a safe and family-filled holiday break.

Ngā mihi nui
Zara McIndoe

**School Closes at 12.30pm
this Friday 15th December.
Please arrange for your
child/ren to be collected
promptly. Thank you.**

2024 Term Dates

Term 1: Wednesday 7th February – Friday 12th April

Easter: Friday 29th March – Tuesday 2nd April – School Closed

Term 2: Monday 29th April – Friday 5th July

Teacher Only Day Friday 31st May – School Closed

Kings Birthday Monday 3rd June – School Closed

Matariki – Friday 28th June – School Closed

Term 3: Monday 22nd July – Friday 27th September

Term 4: Monday 14th October – Friday 20th December @ 12.30pm

Teacher Only Day Friday 25th October – School Closed

Labour Day Monday 28th October – School Closed