

23 October 2024

Principal's Pen

Kia ora koutou Parents and Whānau,

Welcome back to Week 2, Term 4. I hope you managed some fun times with your children during the term break. The weather was very 'Spring' like here, but I did manage some time away and even a couple of decent motorbike rides. I know some of our luckier families/whānau headed off to sunnier climates and I hope you have all returned well rested.

The final term of the year absolutely flies by so keep an eye on the notifications coming through Hero and the school calendar for those important events that you simply had better not miss!

This Term our compulsory hat policy comes in and now we are in Week 2 all your children should have a hat at school. Please make sure their hat is named as they do often get misplaced and end up in lost property. I am sure regular bright sunshine is on the way. I hope you all enjoy some nice weather for the long weekend. Remember Monday is Labour Day so we will look forward to seeing those young smiling faces on Tuesday next week.

Property

During the break, some long overdue tree maintenance was carried out around the school which has been very well worthwhile. We have a plethora of protected trees, and we had a few that were needing to be removed that weren't protected. The tree work has made a big difference, although you may not have noticed like I did! We now also have the field back in use which is awesome. The rain we had during winter and early spring meant the water table under the field surface was so high we couldn't open them.

Community

Our FONS team have their Halloween disco in the school hall on Friday 1st November so look out for details of that. It would be a huge help to us if you can help with keeping an eye on your children when they are outside the hall. Our poor caretaker Mr Nam is faced with a cleanup after events like this when children are running all around the school grounds, including the field, and leaving a lot of rubbish behind. Your help with this would be appreciated. Some help for our hard-working FONS team after the disco would be greatly appreciated also as this is the hard mahi/work that is challenging after the final song is played. I know the FONS team would appreciate every bit of help they can get.

Kind regards

Andy Brown - Principal

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Upcoming Dates

Upcoming dates are published on the homepage of the school website and on the Calendar section in Hero.

Term 4 2024

- Friday 1 November - FONS Halloween Disco 5pm
- Monday 4 November - Board Meeting 6pm
- Tuesday 5 November - NPS Athletics Year 3 -6
- Wednesday 6 November - New Parents Meeting 9.15am
- Wednesday 20 November - Karui Team Social
- Friday 22 November - Onepoto Cultural Festival
- Tuesday 26 November - FONS fundraiser - Colour Fun Run
- Tuesday 3 December - Tui/Kereru Prizegiving 1.30pm
- Wednesday 4 December - Totara Prizegiving 1.30pm
- Thursday 5 December - Kauri Prizegiving 1.30pm
- Monday 9 December - Year 6 Graduation 5pm
- Tuesday 10 December - Whole School Fun Day
- Wednesday 11 December - Board Meeting 6pm
- Monday 16 December - EOY Reports available
- Wednesday 18 December - School Closes 12pm

School News

Scholastic book forms have gone home with your children. These can either be ordered online directly with scholastic or by dropping the completed form and payment at the school office.



Sports News

Congratulations to Royce Bush on his placings in the recent NZ Battle of the Schools MX Series 2024. Royce placed 1st in the 50cc Intro MX and 5th in the 50cc MX for the series as well as 1st in the 50cc Intro MX on the day at the Otorohanga Schools MX Challenge.

