

Onerahi Primary School

Together We Shape Our Future

Who would believe we already have the end of Term 1 in our sights, this time last year we were glued to our screens for the daily Covid-19 announcements and heading in to lockdown. The term seems to have gone very quickly with lots of things happening at school. Senior swimming sports were a highlight and it's clear to see the impact of having a qualified coach work with teachers and classes. Students are developing beautiful swimming styles, and it was fantastic to see so many represent our school at the zone champs. Kevin and Gwen from Bikes in Schools have been in working with classes and teachers to build skills and safety. Year 6's are excited about their upcoming camp and I know the teachers are grateful for the parent support with this. We are thankful for the generous support of some parents and community members contributing extra to allow other students to attend camp. I am sure you will all have a fantastic time. We have a staff only day on the 1st of April and will be focusing on experiences in our local environment and building knowledge and understanding of our local histories. We are off to Matakohe—Limestone Island for part of the day and hoping for some fine weather. Nga Mihinui AnnMaree MacGregor.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

March 25- Junior Triathlon



(yr1-2) March 26—Otangarei Primary Performing Arts Festival (Snr Kapa Haka) March 29-31— Year 6 Camp Thursday 01 April—Staff only day Friday 02 April—Good Friday Monday 05 April—Easter Monday

Tuesday 06 April—School holiday School is closed

Friday 16 April—Last Day of Term 4 Monday 3 May—First day of Term 2

Welcome

On Monday the 14th of March we held a mihi whakatau to welcome our latest cohort of New Entrants who have begun their learning journey at Onerahi Primary School. These children have joined Mrs Lorelei Dela Cruz in Ruma Iwa (Rm 9). We have also welcomed several other new students into classes with Gareth Blithe in Ruma Tahi (Rm 1), Mara Kronfeld in Ruma Rua (Rm 2), Miriam Burgess in Ruma Toru (Rm 3), Philippa Todd in Ruma Whitu (Rm 7),Whaea Bev in Ruma Tekau (Rm 10), Elly McInnes in Ruma Tekau ma Toru (Rm 13), Alysha Mitchell-Panoho in Ruma Tekau ma Wha (Rm14), Matua Matt in Ruma Tekau ma Waru (Rm 18), and the teaching team of Leon Candy and Chloe Peters in Ruma Toru Tekau Ma Tahi (Rm31).



SUMMER

A reminder from us that in Summer we have a focus on sun safety. In terms 1 and 4, hats are to be worn at all times while students are outside. Please make sure that your child brings their hat (named) each day with them. We encourage the use of sunblock as an important part of protecting skin from the harmful UV rays of the sun. We also have swimming during the Term 1 and remind you all to send along named togs/towels and goggles, if needed, on your child's rostered swimming days.

SCHOOL HOURS

School gates open	8:15am
School begins	9.00am
1st Play Break	11:00-11:30am
2nd Play Break	1:30-2:00pm
School finishes	3.00pm
School gates close	3:15pm
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There are two eating breaks within the day, taken at times that suit each class. Please ask your child's teacher when their times are.

LUNCHES

We will have 3 options for school lunches as of Thursday 25th March. *All are ordered through your lunchonline account.* If you do not yet have an account head to lunchonline.co.nz and sign up to take advantage of this service. Orders must be in by 8am on the day of delivery or they will not be processed. *A further reminder to ensure that all student information is updated regularly in your lunchonline account, including room numbers to ensure that ordered lunches reach their recipients quickly and easily on delivery.*

Tuesdays-Hell Pizza

There is a range of 6 options for pizzas available, in snack size (7.5 inches). Please note that only these options may be ordered.

Thursdays—West End Sushi

A range of sushi, dumplings and bento-style options will be available.

Fridays-Lunch Online (Hole in One Café) FINISHING END OF MARCH

An extensive menu of both hot and cold food, including snacks is now available through your lunchonline account for delivery to school on a Friday. If you do not yet have an account head to lunchonline.co.nz and sign up to take advantage of this service. Orders must be in by 8am on the day of delivery or they will not be processed. *A further reminder to ensure that all student information is updated regularly in your lunchonline account, including room numbers to ensure that ordered lunches reach their recipients quickly and easily on delivery.*

Accord Teacher Only Days

The school is required to have held an additional 6 accord teacher only days by the end of 2022. We have held our first one on the 3rd of February, ahead of the start of school. We have scheduled the remaining days this year for Thursday the 1st of April ahead of Easter, Friday the 4th of June, ahead of Queens birthday weekend and Friday the 27th of August ahead of our Mid-Term break on Monday the 30th August. The remaining 2 days will be held in 2022. We ask you to make note of these days as the school will not be open to students.

Road Patrol & the School Crossing..

Our committed group of 2021 Road Patrollers have just undergone their follow up training programme facilitated by our local Police School Community Partners - Sergeant Ian Davidson and Constable Gary Hayes. Well done team, we appreciate you and your whanau taking the time to perform this valuable service, helping our tamariki arrive safely to school in the mornings.

We would like to take this opportunity to remind our community about the importance of not only crossing your children at the school crossing (some near misses have been observed lately with young pupils crossing down the road) but also reiterate that all cars must stop for a pedestrian crossing when there are people waiting to cross. We ask that our adult community lead by example and show our students the correct way to safely cross a busy road.



Pick-ups and Drop-offs

It is really important that if there is a change to your normal after school routine, that you let the office know so a message can be passed on, or notify the teacher in the morning through ClassDojo. This will avoid any confusion after school.

We also ask that if your child is going to be late in for any reason, that you let the school know.

Swimming Sports

We held our annual Y4-6 Swimming sports on Monday the 8th and Tuesday the 9th of March. It was great to see so many enthusiastic swimmers putting themselves out there challenging themselves.

Results from our races were as follows:

		YEAR 4		
Girls Backstroke:	Boys Backstroke:	Girls Freestyle:	Boys Freestyle	
1st—Macy Waterhouse	1st—Joel Mann	1st—Macy Waterhouse	1st—Joel Mann	
2nd—Kenzy Gardiner	2nd—Luka Broughton	2nd—Jade Abraham	2nd—Jacob Woolford	
3rd—Lucy Webster	3rd—Abel Welham	3rd—Lucy Webster	3rd—Abel Welham	
		YEAR 5		
Girls Backstroke:	Boys Backstroke:	Girls Freestyle:	Boys Freestyle	
1st—Summer Ten-Wolde	1st—Monty Hall	1st—Summer Ten-Wolde	1st—Monty Hall	
2nd—Scout Lusty	2nd—Lennix Yukich	2nd—Robyn Blank	2nd—Luca Hirst	
3rd—Lara Gray	3rd—Luca Hirst	3rd—Emma Gurnell	3rd—Flynn Browning	
Boys Breaststroke:				
1st—Monty Hall				
		YEAR 6		
Girls Backstroke:	Boys Backstroke:	Girls Freestyle:	Boys Freestyle	
1st—Boglarka Hegedus	1st—Carter Cleaver	1st—Eden Piggot	1st—Eli Marrison-Pugh	
2nd—D'Jurni Harris	2nd—Blake Andrews	2nd—Boglarka Hegedus	2nd—Kingston Liddell	
3rd—Eden Piggott	3rd—Callum Anderson	3rd—D'Jurni Harris	3rd—Blake Andrews	
Girls Breaststroke	Boys Breastrstoke:			
1st—Boglarka Hegedus	1st—Theo Hamilton			
2nd—Loretta Lambly				

WPSSA SWIMMING SPORTS

A big thanks to all those who represented the school so well at the WPSSA Swimming Sports competition on Wednesday the 17th. There was some tough competition so a particular well done to those who placed in the top 10. Boglarka Hegedus placed 9th in the Yr 6 girls Backstroke, Monty Hall achieved 6th Place in the Year 5 boys Backstroke, Macy Waterhouse placed 3rd in the Yr 4 girls backstroke, and Joel Mann was 4th in the Yr 4 Boys Backstroke. Monty also achieved a 4th place in the Yr 5 boys Freestyle and 4th in the year 5 boys Breaststroke. Jade Abraham placed 6th in the Yr 4 girls Freestyle and Joel Mann 7th in the Yr 4 boys. Ka mau te wehi!

Important Notices

Medication: If your child requires medication be brought to or kept at school, please be aware that due to health and safety concerns, this must be kept secure in the school sick bay. It is not to be kept in children's schoolbags during the day. This is to protect the safety of not only the child requiring the medication but also all other students. All medication requires an accompanying permission/approval form signed by their parent or caregiver. This includes epi-pens for allergy management, inhalers for asthma or any other medication your child requires on a short-term or as needed basis.

Community Notices

Hello, My name is Dave Meredith. I have been teaching guitar at Onerahi Primary for several years.

If you would like your child to learn guitar in 2021 please contact me on 0273832633 or email me on: dave.d.meredith@gmail.com. I have spaces currently available.

Onerahi Rugby club is looking for players born between 2011 - 2017

Muster day 25th March 3pm - 6pm @ Onerahi Rugby Club on Alamein Ave. They have a free sausage sizzle and some games, bouncy castle for the little ones and welcome you all.

Register online too to help make the process quicker if you can <u>https://www.sporty.co.nz/</u> viewform/142803



RAISE THE BAR Rehab Raise the Bar Rehab is a fitness studio based in Onerahi that provides quality personal training sessions, group fitness sessions and a great supportive environment to be part of.

We have a variety of group fitness sessions throughout the week with daily classes at 9:30am Mon-Thurs to suit stay at home parents (kids welcome to come) or those who work from home/have flexible work hours. The rest of the classes are timetabled for before and after standard work day hours.

For Onerahi Primary School parents we are offering a FREE trial class for those who would like to come and test it out!

Please contact Caitlin on 0212072641 or via Raise the Bar Rehab on Facebook or Instagram

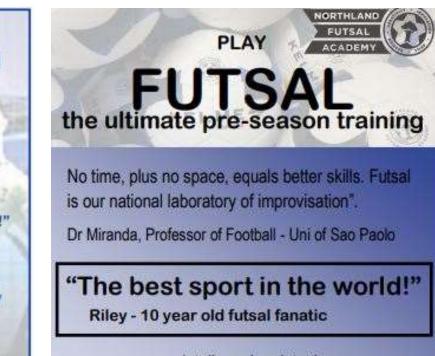




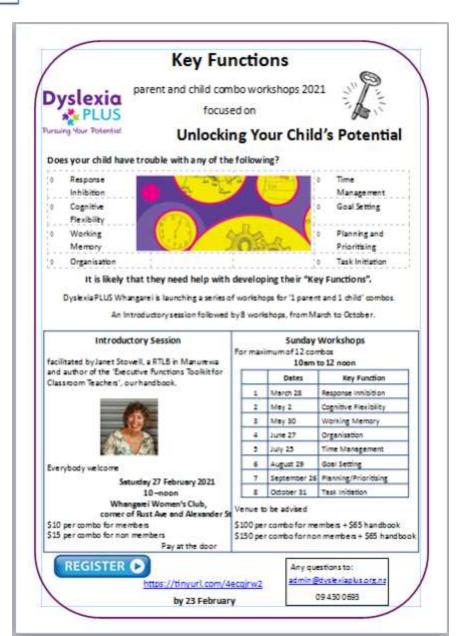
<u>SPCA \$10 'snip n chip' for cats and</u> <u>kittens now available at all vet groups</u> <u>in Whangarei – including Onerahi</u> <u>vets.</u>

You can get your cat or kitten desexed and microchipped for \$10 at your local Onerahi vet clinic. Offer available until 31st May. Book your cat's surgery when you purchase your \$10 voucher from the vet clinic. Limit 3 vouchers per household. More details on SPCA Facebook page and at your local vet clinic. All vet groups in Whangarei are participating in this 'snip n chip' cats campaign.





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Its pod time

We invite you to take a look around your property



Moth Plant is a vine so strong it can smother our trees. The pods have thousands of seeds inside. The seeds are like dandelion "fairies" that fly a very long way on a good wind.

What to do Remove the pods Put them in a sealed bag (rubbish bag ok) If you have a lot of pods let us know and we can discuss options

Take care.... There is a milky sap that can cause skin irritation. The sap will stain clothes

Once you have removed the pods Cut the vine where it comes out of the ground and paint with Metgel or similar. Need help with this ? get in touch— Chrissie 021353792 ONERAHI WEEDS GROUP