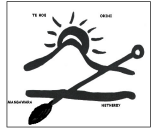


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Welcome to Term 4

We welcome all families and students to the final term of 2010. Once again we have a busy term scheduled for the school including a final visit from Gaye Byers for the literacy programme, the beginning of Project Energise around healthy eating including the value of drinking water and daily physical activity for all children in the school. Athletics and the camp at CYC Totara Springs will be important events on the calendar along with our end of year activities.

Please watch the events calendar in the newsletter each week and diary the upcoming events as they are announced.

Our thoughts are very much with Rototuna School as they work their way through the loss of their teacher during the recent tsunami in Samoa. We send our condolences to the staff and students and families of the school.

We wish all families and students an enjoyable term and the opportunity to share in the high quality work our teachers deliver to the students.

Staffing Changes for Term 4

Sharon Coghlan finished work at Orini Combined School at the end of Term 3. We would like to thank Sharon for her input into the school during her time with us. Valerie Atkins will now work full time in the school as a teacher aide. We welcome Valerie as a full time staff member and feel very pleased that she was able to move from her part time position to full time to cover Sharon's work and to continue with her own work as well.

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Agricultural Day

A separate notice is enclosed in today's newsletter with the Agricultural Day results. The school would like to say a huge thank you to the organising committee for their time and effort in planning and managing this very worthwhile annual event. A big thank you to everyone who also assisted with the many tasks before, during and after the event. We sincerely appreciate all your efforts. If you are considering participating in the Hamilton North Schools Agricultural Group Day on Monday 19 October at Gordonton School, programmes are available from our school office upon request.

Fear Factor Day

The student council raised over \$170 from the fear factor fun day they held at the end of last term. These funds will go towards our World Vision sponsor child Bithi. Thank you to everyone for supporting this fundraiser.

P.T.A. Chocolate Sales

Attention parents of children in Rooms 2, 5 & 6. Please return chocolate money to school by the end of this week. Only return money for full boxes sold. ie: if you took 2 boxes home to sell, but still have half a box left, only return the money for the sold box (which would be \$60). The remaining money and any leftover chocolates should be returned to school, clearly labelled with your name on the box and on the money envelope, by the following Friday (23 October). The chocolate sales have been very successful so far, so keep going! Any queries, please phone Nick on 824 6011.

Hearing & Vision Screening in Schools

The Vision Hearing Technician will be in school on Monday 2 November at 9am to carry out routine checks on some students. If for any reason you **do not** wish to have your child/ren included in this screening, please phone the school prior to her planned visit and speak with Sonya.

Dental Nurse

The Dental Nurse is based at Gordonton School Dental Clinic for Term 4. If your child/ren require dental treatment, please contact Shiree at Gordonton.

Prizegiving

In order to plan for the end of year prizegiving, we would like all cups and trophies that students received last year, returned to school by the end of this week (cleaned please!).

Music Lessons

A reminder to families that we have itinerant music teachers working in school teaching both piano/keyboard and guitar to students. If you are interested in finding out more about this, please phone the school office to request their contact details.

Headlice

Can all families please carry out regular checks for headlice at home. We have a continuous ongoing problem with headlice at school. If you find evidence of live lice or eggs, please treat your children's hair with an approved headlice treatment before they return to school. All students with long hair are required to have their hair tied up while at school. Thank you.

ASB School Banking

Please remember school banking days are Friday of each week. Deposit envelopes are available from the school office beside the school banking elephant box for students to collect as required.

Term Dates

2009

Term 4 starts Monday 12 October
& finishes Friday 18 December

2010

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Orini District Neighbourhood Watch

We have had 15 burglaries in our district over the last few weeks. Most of them in the Te Hoe area, Proctor Road and Orini Road have been hit also. The police have apprehended three offenders who have admitted to the crimes. Some property has been recovered and further enquiries are ongoing. We have an active Neighbourhood Watch Network in the area that should be contacted if you see anything suspicious or have an incident to report. We are in close liaison with Huntly and Ngaruawahia Police. They regard any information as useful. The following are your road coordinators and their contact phone numbers.

Helen Rennie 824 6527 (Rutherford Rd 22-264,
Orini & McConnell Rd)

Tracey Herbert 824 4742 (440-715 Tenfoot Rd)

Marion Herbert 824 4765 (17-427 Tenfoot Rd)

Nancy Lee 824 4862 (833-1290 Orini & Piri
Rds)

Maureen Hintz 824 4720 (1305-1406 Orini Rd)

Jean Crockett 824 4893 (1452-1714b Orini Rd)

Alison Gibb 824 4425 (80-585 Proctor Rd)

Judy Rolfe 824 4853 (66a-261 Flaxmill Rd)

Maxine Sutton 824 4858 (Pororua, Le Heron,
Mangatea Rds 29-113b)

Susan Bateup 828 5827 (990-1672 Tahuna Rd)

Liz McKie 824 6522 (Rutherford, Welch,
Peacocke & Pizzini Rds)

Joan Thomas 824 4400 (Kneebone Rd)

Anne Hilton 824 4748 (Te Hoe Rd)

Police will be implementing a visual rural watch campaign which will include erecting signs within the area. If you have a problem contacting your road coordinator please contact me, June Crabb (District coordinator 824 4743).

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- 16 Oct - Last day for parents of students in Year 5—8 to advise if they as parents wish to attend camp.
23 Oct - Last day for Scholastic Book Club Orders. All cheques to be made payable to Orini Combined School.
26 Oct - Labour Day (School Closed for instruction)
30 Oct - Friday evening cricket commences.
2 Nov - 9am Vision & Hearing Technician in School
6 Nov - Junior Sports Day with Whitikahu School for Year 1,2 & 3 students - activities held at our school.
17 Nov - Orini athletics day
19 Nov - Saving day for athletics
24 Nov - EWCS athletics at Porritt Stadium (Yr 4 - 8 students only)
2 - 4 Dec - Camp at Totara Springs (Year 4 - 8 students only)
10 Dec - 2009 winning House group to the movies.
11 Dec - School reports are sent home.
15 Dec - Prizegiving at Orini Hall.
16 Dec - Rm 1,3,4 visit to Hansen family property.
17 Dec - Water activities afternoon
- Yr 8 leavers dinner
18 Dec - Last day of school for 2009.

Please mark these dates on your calendar today, however please be aware that some of these dates may change throughout the term for reasons beyond our control. Families are urged to check these dates each week for any additions or changes.

Chowns Ag Centre 'Friends of Chowns'

With every service completed by Chowns workshop, farm bike or tractor, they will donate the following money to our school; \$5 for 2 wheel farm bike servicing, \$10 for 4 wheel farm bike servicing, \$20 for tractor servicing. Alternatively they are also offering to donate \$50 for each NEW kids bike purchase, \$100 for each NEW farm bike purchase or \$500 for each new tractor purchase. **It is extremely important that you state our school name when you use Chowns Ag Centre for any of the above options. Please tell friends, family, neighbours etc to also quote our school name if they are getting farm bikes/tractors serviced or purchasing new items.**

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Remember! You can choose to receive the newsletter via email at any stage, provided your computer system will allow you to open (pdf) attachments. Just send a note in to school with your email address or phone the office on 824 4847.



Delicious! - Sushi Lunch Orders

Orders/Money due in to school Monday 19 October

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- **Orini Athletics** - Wednesday evenings, commencing tonight at the Orini Reserve 6.20pm. All children must have a parent or caregiver with them. Please be prepared to assist. Ph Craig or Tracey for further details on 824 4742.
- **Whitikahu Tennis Club** - Senior opening night is on Thursday 22 October at the Whitikahu Tennis Club (next to the Whitikahu Hall). Kick off is at 7.30pm - all welcome. Come along for a hit. Enquiries to Allan 824 4896.
- **Want to get healthy and lose some weight as well?** - Damien Kristof (from the TV show, Downsize Me) is running a seminar called 'The Power of Food' this Thursday 15 October (that's tomorrow!), at the Centennial Lounge, Te Rapa Race Course at 7pm. Tickets cost \$15 and are available at the door. Not to be missed!
- **Orini-Netherby RWNZ** are once again assisting Friends of Kimihia with their Annual Rural Market Day to be held from 8.30am to noon on Saturday 21 November. Stalls are \$10 each. This is a great opportunity to raise funds for your school, organization or for your Xmas spending. Also there will be some great bargains to be had for all. All enquiries to Olive Stokes, 07 824 6671.
- **Relief Milker** - Need an experienced and reliable relief milker, then call Frank on 824 4866.

EXPOSITION

Should we learn every school day?

**I think we should. Firstly we can get jobs.
Secondly we learn new things. Finally we will know how
to use a calculator.**

**To begin with we get jobs by learning because
if you don't learn you won't get any money.**

**Wait there is more. Who wants to learn new things?
We will learn how to swim.
We will learn how to do maths recall and exposition writing.**

**So it is nearly the end of my opinion.
Who wants to use a calculator? We learn how to use a
calculator at school.**

Therefore I think we should learn every school day.

Written by
Jacob Johnson, Room 1, Aged 6yrs