

Term 3, Week 6
23rd August 2023

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Kia ora koutou,

It has been lots of fun at school in the past couple of weeks. Last Wednesday our whole school enjoyed our Student Council led Lip Sync competition. We had students of all ages involved and it was so impressive to see our students take the challenge to perform on stage in front of our whole school. Thanks to Lisa, Whaea Tracy and Ethan (24/7 mentor) for judging the competition - a tough job! Well done to the winning group – Ben, Zach C, Zach B, Kobey and Vinay.



On Friday afternoon, I had the privilege of accompanying a group of our Year 8 student leaders to the Rydges Hotel to be flag bearers for the NZ South Pacific District Kiwanis Conference. Our students were fabulous ambassadors for our school. Following on from this, on Monday afternoon we hosted Nikki Leslie, current President of our local Kiwanis and the Kiwanis Governor, Bernard's Desarmagnac and his wife Danielle from Noumea, New Caledonia. They 'officially' opened our new scooter / skateboard storage area and installed a plaque to acknowledge Kiwanis support of our school. Working with community groups such as Kiwanis is crucial to the ongoing success of our kura / school.



On Saturday night, our Pasifika Group performed on the big stage at The Aurora Centre as part of the Sau la Festival. This is our second year of being involved and we are becoming quite strong in this space, with Tolosia leading one of the items with two other schools. Thanks Maria, Malia, Jemma, Jeanette and Shevaun for supporting our students on the night.

Last night we were back at The Aurora Centre to watch our Opawa Rock Band - ŌRB as part of Bandquest. Charlie, Ava, Mana, Ryder and Aria performed two songs and were outstanding. Thanks to Henry for all his mahi in this space.



We look forward to seeing lots of you at our Big Breakfast next Wednesday morning from 7.45 - 8.45am in our hall. Thanks to our Home and School for organising this and to Sarah and Ethan (24/7 mentors) for taking control of the BBQ for bacon butties!

Ngā mihi,
Sally



HAERE MAI WELCOME

Welcome to our new students and their
Whānau/families: Malachi, Grace and Māia Rm1



Te Ara Tika o Ōpāwa (The right path for Ōpāwa)

Children can earn vouchers for demonstrating our school values. This term's value is **Excellence** (Hiraka) and each fortnight six children are selected to have a pizza lunch with Sally in the Boardroom. The pizzas are generously sponsored by Cassels and sons – The Brewery. The following children enjoyed pizza with Sally last Monday: Scarlett & Arabella Rm4, Oliver & James Rm9 and Rhythm Rm10.

Six children are also selected with Gotchas, who can then have a day in mufti with their buddy. The following children were selected: Nana Rm11, William Rm13, Ataahua, Manu and Leo Rm18 and Emily Rm19.

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Term 3 Dates

Staff Only Day	25 th Aug
Transition to School Hui	30 th Aug
Big Breakfast	30 th Aug
Strum, Strike, Blow, Christchurch Arena 6-7:30pm	6 th Sept
Lit Quiz Somerfield School 12-3pm	13 th Sept
Choir at Haeata 12-2:45pm	13 th Sept
Board Hui	13 th Sept
School Photos	14 th Sept
Cashmere High School Testing Yr8's	14 th Sept

2023 TERM DATES

Term 3	17 th Jul-22 nd Sep
Term 4	9 th Oct-15 th Dec



MANA AKE
STRONGER FOR TOMORROW

Mana Ake 'Phone Call' opportunity

What is it? This is an opportunity to receive a phone call from Alisha Keith one of our Mana Ake kaimahi/team members to discuss any wellbeing and/or mental health issue for you and your whānau/family. The kaimahi work alongside the school to promote wellbeing and provide support.

Kaimahi have a diverse range of skills and include, social workers, counsellors, teachers, youth workers and psychologists.

About Alisha: My background is in Social Work and my passion is working with children. I love my job and value the importance of supporting the well-being of our tamariki. It is a privilege to be a part of supporting them in many different ways. I enjoy learning about the tamariki and implementing their interests into the sessions we have, however I can.

How to access it: email lisa@opawa.school.nz; with your name and contact details and Lisa will get back to you to arrange an appointment time

**Teachers
Only
Day** 🍏

**Teacher only days:
25th August
20th November**



HOME AND SCHOOL PIE DELIVERY

Thank you for supporting our
Pie Fundraiser this year.

The Naked Baker will be delivering the pies to school
tomorrow, Thursday 24th August.
All orders will need to be collected between 3-3.30pm
from the Hall.
We will do our best to box or bag as many orders as
possible.

School Lunch Orders


www.lunchonline.co.nz
OPAWA SCHOOL
 2023 Term 3 Lunches
SUSHI EVERY
WEDNESDAY and FRIDAY
order before 8:30am



To open a Lunchonline account..
 it's simple all you need to do is register an account at
www.lunchonline.co.nz

1. Login/Place an Order
2. Create an account
3. Add member/s include name, school and classroom number
4. Under Lunch Orders select student name – Start order and place your order
5. You will be directed to the make a payment page
6. A pop up will confirm 'your order has been successful' or check 'Order History' tab
7. Any queries please call us on 0800 LOL LOL (0800565565)



Tuesday

To place an order for your child, simply visit
www.subway.co.nz/schools , log on, select
 SUBWAY School Lunch Programme –
 Ferrymead Branch and follow the instructions
 to place an order before 9am each Tuesday.
 Please note that you can order days
 beforehand if you wish.

Please remember snacks are still required when your child has ordered lunch

School Uniform

Our uniform supplier is:

Mainland Uniforms
 189 Peterborough Street
 City
 Phone: 377-6771



Uniform Dress:

Students are expected to take pride in their appearance.

- Please see <http://www.opawa.school.nz/uniform.html> for the full Ōpāwa School uniform.
- The uniform should be clean, tidy and named.
- **Only** the long sleeved Ōpāwa School undergarment (gunmetal grey) should be visible under the Ōpāwa polo shirt.
- Socks/tights - plain navy, black or white.
- Shoes must be black, brown or predominantly white trainers, leather shoes or sandals.
- School sun hats must be worn in Terms 1 and 4. Plain black or beige bucket/wide brimmed hat or cap.
- No nail polish and/or makeup to be worn at school.
- Coloured hair is not appropriate.
- Hair accessories: plain black, navy or orange headbands, ties, ribbons, bows or clips. Ties, ribbons, bows or clips to be no longer than 8cm in diameter.
- Drawing on skin and tattoo transfers are not acceptable.
- One piece swimming togs are recommended.
- No jewellery should be worn except watches and ear studs or sleepers. No other earrings. Any other jewellery, including rings and necklaces can be a safety hazard and are not to be worn at school. All jewellery must be removed for sport. Variations due to cultural or religious beliefs are allowed on written request from parents/caregivers.

The final decision on all matters relating to the uniform resides with the principal

Community News



Christchurch Kids Market

A MARKET RUN BY KIDS, FOR KIDS!
(& GOODIES FOR ADULTS TOO)

- ✓ Reduce, Reuse, Relove
- ✓ Pre-loved Toys & Clothes
- ✓ Homemade & Homegrown
- ✓ Support Young Entrepreneurs

When: 1st Sunday of every month
At: Mount Pleasant Community Centre
Time: 10am to 12pm

- FREE ENTRY -

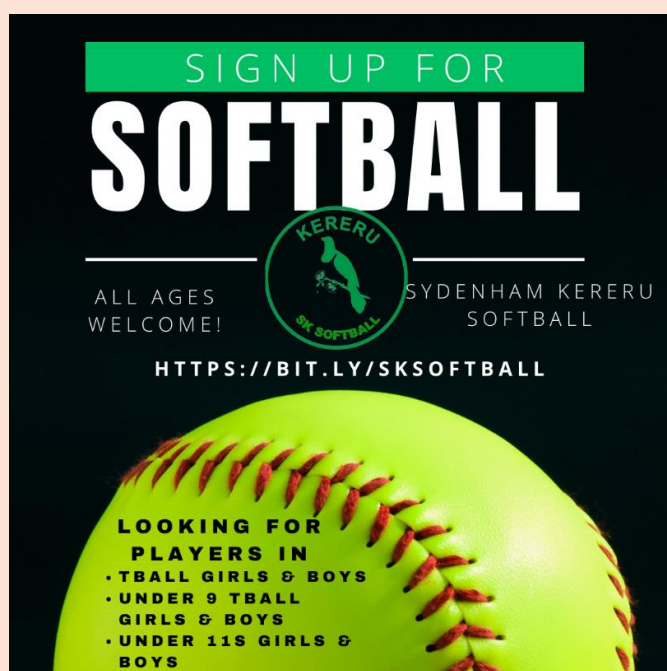
- BOOK A STALL -
TO REGISTER EMAIL
CHRISTCHURCHKIDSMARKET@GMAIL.COM

Feedback on the raised crossing upgrade on Opawa Road

Christchurch City Council are inviting community feedback on the raised crossing upgrade on Opawa Road near our kura. There is a short two question survey to complete, we encourage all our school community to fill out the survey – students, parents, caregivers and teaching staff. The link to the survey can be found here –

https://christchurchcc.syd1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_6FiCmk44jNaHQHA

The survey will be open until 23rd August.



SIGN UP FOR

SOFTBALL

ALL AGES WELCOME!

KERERU
SYDENHAM KERERU SOFTBALL

[HTTPS://BIT.LY/SKSOFTBALL](https://bit.ly/sksoftball)

LOOKING FOR PLAYERS IN

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- UNDER 9 TBALL GIRLS & BOYS
- UNDER 11S GIRLS & BOYS



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Beauty Within the Beast
A tale as old as time, with a twist or two.

Original Music and Lyrics by Olafcolin Montooth
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McCombs Performing Arts Centre, Cashmere
Thu 5th - Sun 8th October 2023

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Recommended for ages 6-116

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AKOTECH CodeCamps October School Holidays - FREE PRIZE & EARLY DISCOUNTS

Our holiday camp allows children from the ages of 7-12 to develop 21st century skills in a fun and action packed environment. Create and train your own AI Avatars, make games, code drones & go to work for a simulated Tech Gaming Studio to build games for a big client.

Develop confidence & initiative through design, creativity, solving problems, presenting & collaboration. Create your own games, worlds and apps to make our world a better place.

We also have Literati Lab just for girls, which includes AI Art & Animation.

Enter our competition to win a FREE 4 day pass to one of our CodeCamps

St Margarets College: 25th - 28th September & 5th - 8th October

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Competition: www.codecamp.co.nz/competition

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... and Literati Lab For Girls

2 Day Program \$230 - 4 Day Program \$395

FREE MOBILE DATA

For some New Zealanders, the cost of mobile data can be a barrier to accessing essential health and wellbeing information and digital health services. Those who cannot access information and services often have the highest needs. Zero Data is a joint initiative that removes this barrier by providing free access to the websites of health, social services, education, housing and more from your smartphone. Zero Data is available to anyone using a mobile device connected to the Spark, Skinny, One NZ, 2degrees, Warehouse Mobile, Slingshot or Orcon mobile networks. If you don't have credit, all you need to do is turn on your data and visit www.zero.govt.nz

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- NELSON OCT 5 • WESTPORT OCT 7 • HOKITIKA OCT 8 •

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JUNIOR / YOUTH
(7yrs - 15yrs) (16yrs - 18yrs)
6 aside 5 aside

Football

FRIDAY

Summer League: Oct - Mar
Winter League: Apr - Sept



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- Join as a Team or Individual
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- Boys, Girls or Mixed teams Welcome
- Enter as a Club, School or Social Team

JUNIOR / YOUTH
(7yrs - 15yrs) (16yrs - 18yrs)
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Netball

THURSDAY

Summer League
Oct - Mar



7 IVERSEN TCE, WALTHAM
(03) 366 6601


WWW.ACTIONINDOORSPTS.COM/CHRISTCHURCH





**KOWHAI
VET**


Kowhai Vet - Your New Local Vet Clinic


Attention all pet owners! We're thrilled to become a part of your community with our recently opened vet clinic that's dedicated to keeping your furry friends healthy and happy. Whether you have a curious cat, a playful pup, or any other beloved companion, our clinic is designed with their well-being in mind.

 **Compassionate Care:** Our experienced and friendly team believes in a fear-free approach to pet care. Your pets' comfort and happiness are our top priorities, and we strive to create a stress-free environment for every visit.

 **Sustainability:** We're not just caring for your pets - we're caring for the planet too! For every new patient we welcome, we fund the planting of a native tree in our region, contributing to a greener and healthier future.

 **No Rush:** Our longer appointment slots ensure that your pet receives the attention they deserve, and you have plenty of time to discuss their unique needs with our skilled veterinarians.

 **Tailored Services:** From routine check-ups and vaccinations to advanced treatments and surgeries, our clinic offers a comprehensive range of services to keep your pets in tip-top shape.

 **Local Support:** We're proud to support local businesses by offering a selection of New Zealand-made treats, food, and grooming products. Enrich your pet's life while contributing to our community!

Support a local business and discover a whole new level of care for your furry family members. Your pet's well-being is our passion, and we can't wait to welcome you at Kowhai Vet!

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