

Term 2, Week 5  
1<sup>st</sup> June 2022

# Te Kura o Ōpāwaho/Opawa School

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Talofa lava Te Kura o Ōpāwaho / Opawa School whānau,



This week across the country is *Vaiaso o le Gagana Samoa - Samoa Language Week*. We are blessed to have a wealth of knowledge and commitment among our team in this space. Yesterday afternoon our Pasifika Group had a traditional lunch prepared by Martha, Tina and Maria for and with our students. Check out the photos from this.



Last year we started our inaugural Pasifika Group and held our first fono for any whānau / families who are keen to contribute to Pasifika culture, learning and growth within our school community.. Our Pasifika Group meet every Tuesday from 2-3pm and we are privileged to have the support of Tama Mai Saute Dance Academy tutors to lead and work alongside Maria, Martha, Tina and our ākonga / students.



All of our community, kaiako / teachers and ākonga / students will benefit from the amazing display about Pasifika in our library - *Fa'afetai lava* (thank you) Karen. Our teachers are also weaving some Samoan language and culture into their lesson this week. We are utilising some marvellous resources, including the Ministry for Pacific Peoples website:

[Samoa language week](#)

Feel free to access this website at home too.

Manuia lau valaso umi/Have an awesome long weekend - remember it is a four day weekend, as we have a staff only day this Friday - working on some awesome professional learning together that will have a direct and positive impact on learning for all of our students.

Ngā mihi,  
Sally

**REMINDER**

**Staff Only Days this term:  
SCHOOL IS CLOSED**

**This Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> June  
Monday 27<sup>th</sup> June**



## DATES FOR THE DIARY

NYLD (Y8 students)	2 <sup>nd</sup> Jun
Staff only day	3 <sup>rd</sup> Jun
Queens Bday	6 <sup>th</sup> Jun
Junior Fun Run	9 <sup>th</sup> Jun
Junior Fun Run Postponement	10 <sup>th</sup> Jun
School Photo's	17 <sup>th</sup> Jun
Zones Swimming Sports	20 <sup>th</sup> Jun
Matariki Holiday	24 <sup>th</sup> Jun
Staff only day	27 <sup>th</sup> Jun
Yr 3-4 swimming at Te Pou	28 <sup>th</sup> Jun–8 <sup>th</sup> Jul
Toe Toe\Linwood Pool	
BOT Meeting	30 <sup>th</sup> Jun 7pm
Yr 0-4 Cross Country Challenge at Hillview	5 <sup>th</sup> Jul
Last day of Term	8 <sup>th</sup> Jul

### 2022 TERM DATES

Term 2	2 <sup>nd</sup> May-8 <sup>th</sup> Jul
Term 3	25 <sup>th</sup> Jul-30 <sup>th</sup> Sept
Term 4	17 <sup>th</sup> Oct-15 <sup>th</sup> Dec

## Bronze Medal Winners!

Last Tuesday the 24<sup>th</sup> May, Isiah and Henry took a group of year 7&8s to the Bluelight PCT (Physical Competency Test) course.

The day was spent engaging in various team building activities, learning CPR, speed camera sprinting (top speed for the day was 25kms!!), exploring the ins and outs of a police car/gear and then the main event.. THE PCT COURSE.

Both teams did very well through the course with one team making it into the top three of the afternoon. Two weeks prior to this, Isiah and I put together a small course for the ākonga to practice in. The fact they managed to achieve outstanding results with both teams in the top 10 is a fantastic result! Isiah and I were very humbled to be part of the day and the ākonga are already looking forward to next year's trials.

Team 1 consisted of Lincoln, Kane, Shayla and Mana - they were placed 3<sup>rd</sup> (Bronze Medal)

Team 2 was Josiah, Sabre, Akira, Lauren (Sabre was unfortunately absent and Zach substituted) - they were placed 8<sup>th</sup>



## Maths Learning at Te Kura o Ōpāwaho / Opawa School in 2022

This year Te Kura o Ōpāwaho / Opawa School has begun professional development to improve teaching and learning outcomes in mathematics. We are using the Developing Mathematical Inquiry Communities (DMIC) model which has been developed by Professor Bobbie Hunter, and Jodie Hunter of Massey University. DMIC is based on up to date research from New Zealand and overseas into effective teaching and practice. This is funded by the Ministry of Education (MOE). For more information see the attached flyer or go to the [DMIC Website](#).

### Some key features of DMIC

- Mixed ability groupings
- Collaboration
- Problems that require multiple strengths and areas of expertise
- There is a focus on having a positive mindset
- A focus across the maths curriculum (not just number)
- Developing mathematical inquiry & problem solving

It has been well publicised that achievement in maths in New Zealand has been declining in recent years. This has prompted some significant changes including a forthcoming 'curriculum refresh'. As well as implementing the DMIC programme, Te Kura o Ōpāwaho / Opawa School has a small team of leaders who are also engaging with these significant developments.

We recognise that this is a big change in a key area. We encourage whānau to have regular conversations with their tamariki about learning in maths (and all areas) and continue to have open communication with their classroom teachers. There will be an opportunity to discuss your child's progress further in our upcoming learning conferences (early Term 3).

Nick (Special Project in Maths Lead) and the Team at Te Kura o Ōpāwaho / Opawa School







**MANA AKE**  
STRONGER FOR TOMORROW

### Mana Ake 'Phone Call' opportunity

**What is it?** This is an opportunity to receive a phone from Alisha Keith one of our Mana Ake's 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.

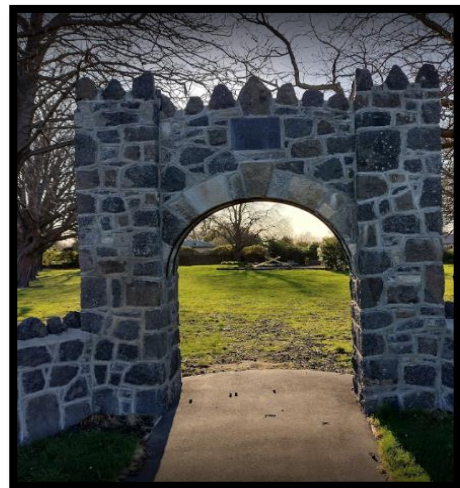
Kaimahi have a diverse range of skills and include, social workers, counsellors, teachers, youth workers and psychologists.

**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 wellbeing 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](mailto:lisa@opawa.school.nz); with your name and contact details and Lisa will get back to you to arrange an appointment time.



Did you know the Erie Monroe Playground (the original Opawa School site on the corner of Garlands Road and Opawa Road) is named after a former pupil? Thomas Hugh Erie (known as Erie) Monroe 'sacrificed his life to save another from drowning' at Waikuku Beach in January 1932. He was 34 years old. His parents, Captain Hugh and Mrs Monroe purchased the land and added swings, see-saw and a sandpit as well as the stone archway in his memory. Erie Monroe attended Opawa School at the original site and his parents felt it was 'fitting that the playground be dedicated to the happiness of children' as it was the ground where he had played.



# *A message from the Board*

## **An Opportunity to Have your Say!**

As part of our legal requirements as a Board, we must review the school's policies at a minimum of every 3 years.

A key part of this is getting feedback from our school community about how they see the policy.

- Is it fit for purpose?
- Are there any gaps?
- Does it need updating?

This term we are reviewing the following policies:

- Healthcare
- Behaviour Management

If you would like to view and give feedback on the policy, it's easy as 1,2,3!

1. Go to [www.schooldocs.co.nz](http://www.schooldocs.co.nz) and click on 'search for your school' in the top right hand corner – choose 'Opawa School'.
2. Enter the following user name and password:

Username – opawa  
Password – learn

3. Click on 'Current Review' and then click on the policy that's up for review - read it; click on the red bubble in the top right-hand corner of the policy and enter your feedback - (if there is no red option, pick the green speech bubble).

Feedback can be given anonymously if you prefer.

Remember – this review is focusing on the policy, not the operational procedures that sit underneath. The cutoff date for feedback is the end of Term 2 (Friday 8th July 2022 ).



A wee reminder to please make sure you clearly name your child/rens clothing.

We have a big pile of polar fleeces that are **un-named**. All named items are returned to the students regularly.

## High School Information

Below is a selection of high schools and their respective open afternoons and evenings for 2022.

We have said to our Year 8 students that it is good to have an open mind and check out as many of the high schools as possible, to compare what each school has to offer the individual. Selecting high schools is an important part of their next step in their education journey.

**Due to Covid restrictions and changes, you will need to check the updated information on each School website.**

Open Nights for High Schools			
High School	Day and Date	Time	Enrolments close
Te Aratai / <a href="#">Linwood College</a>  <a href="#">Zone</a>	<b>Open Night-</b> Tuesday 7th June There are two sessions that will run this evening  <b>Open Days-</b> Wednesday 1 June, Thursday 2 June, Friday 3 June.  <i>These will be held during the kura day. Whānau need to book these tours online.</i>	4.30-5.30pm 6.00-7.00pm	<a href="#">Enrolment pack</a>
<a href="#">Burnside High</a> Ph 358 8383	<b>Open Evening has been Cancelled</b>	5.45, 6.30 or 7.15pm <a href="#">Book here</a>	<a href="#">Enrolment pack</a> Enrolments close: Friday 30th July, 2021
<a href="#">Ao Tawhiti</a> Ph 377 7773	<a href="#">Register</a> to book a tour (Tuesdays and Thursdays from 11 May to 10 Jun 2021)		Friday 9 July 2021
<a href="#">Catholic Cathedral College</a> Ph 982 1690	Tuesday 18th May	6.30pm - 8pm	<a href="#">Prospectus</a>
<a href="#">Riccarrton High</a> Ph 348 5072	Thursday 20 May  Friday 7 May 2021 (Year 8 Fun Day for feeder schools)		Friday 30 July <a href="#">Enrolment form</a> <a href="#">Prospectus</a>
<a href="#">Girls High</a> Ph 348 0849	Tuesday 25th May	10am – 2pm	Out of zone applications close 4pm on Friday 30th July <a href="#">Prospectus</a>
<a href="#">Boys High</a> Ph 348 5003	24 & 25 May 2022 ( <a href="#">Online bookings open 9 May</a> )		Friday 29 July (4.00pm)
<a href="#">Hagley College</a> Ph 379 3090	N/A Applications open: 16th May		8th July (middy) <a href="#">Parent information</a>
<a href="#">Avonside</a> Ph 389 7199	17 May 2022 Virtual Open Night is being held on the AGHS Facebook page.	6 pm	29th July <a href="#">Online enrolment form</a>
<a href="#">Shirley Boys</a> Ph 375 7057	Community Open Night: Wednesday 25th May  <a href="#">Link</a> for Virtual Tour	Time TBC	29th July <a href="#">Parent information</a>
<a href="#">Cashmere High</a> Ph 332 9129	<a href="#">Thursday 9th June</a>	4 - 6.30 pm	<a href="#">29th July 2022</a>
<a href="#">Mareihau High School</a>			<a href="https://www.mairehau.school.nz/enrolment">https://www.mairehau.school.nz/enrolment</a> Contact <a href="mailto:admin@mairehau.school.nz">admin@mairehau.school.nz</a> for more information

## School Lunch Orders



### Opawa School

#### Lunches 2022

In Situ Café Lunches every Wednesday

Sausages sizzle every Thursday

Sushi Factory every Friday

Order sushi before 8.30am

Burger Fuel - 2<sup>nd</sup> June & 7<sup>th</sup> July

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[www.lunchonline.co.nz](http://www.lunchonline.co.nz)

and follow 4 easy steps to get started

1. Register an account
2. Add member/s including your name and delivery location
3. Make a payment to have funds in your account before you order
4. Select your lunch and place an order



Phone 0800 LOL LOL (0800 565 565)

[info@lunchonline.co.nz](mailto:info@lunchonline.co.nz)



School lunch programme

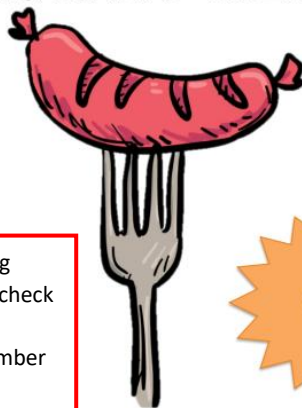
## Tuesday

To place an order for your child, simply visit [www.subway.co.nz/schools](http://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**

## SAUSAGE SIZZLE



When ordering online please check your child's classroom number is correct

\$2

Every **THURSDAY** for all of Term 2

Orders can be made online with Lunch Online (online payments are \$2.10) or Cash

Cash must be in an Envelope  
With your Full Name  
Room Number  
And your lunch order  
By 9am on Thursday



# 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, navel 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



**TOURING AOTEAROA THROUGH JUNE-JULY 2022  
DURING TERM 2 AND THE SCHOOL HOLIDAYS!**

The Glow Show's fabulous, giant-scale, glow-in-the-dark puppets are back, touring all of Aotearoa!

The magical MATARIKI GLOW SHOW is coming to a theatre near you, during Term 2 AND the July school holidays.

61,000+ tamariki, educators and whānau have already seen our Glow Shows... this year, join us in an exquisite celebration of our very first, nationwide Matariki holiday.

The MATARIKI GLOW SHOW tells the gorgeous story of te kāhui whetu ō Matariki (the star cluster/whānau of Matariki) as they gather to light up the skies for Te Tau Hou Māori (Māori New Year). But where is the smallest star Waipuna-a-rangi? Could she be lost in the moana?

The show brings this mythical magic to life with its unique puppets, which glow under UV lights in a black box theatre and intrigue tamariki wherever they go.

Delightfully told in te reo Māori and English, the MATARIKI GLOW SHOW educates as it entertains, with its cutting-edge concept, upbeat original soundtrack, and themes of whakawhānau tangata, friendship and togetherness.

The show is touring to 40 venues, from Kaitiaki to Invercargill, most locations, staging two different shows - a concise version for ages 5 and under, and a longer version with Q&A for 6-12 year olds. Shows sell out so book your tickets fast!

The Matariki Glow Show will be at Isaac Theatre Royal, Christchurch, July 8!

Term 2 / Week 10

10am (0-5 years) - \$13.50pp + fees  
11:30am (6-12 years) - \$15.50pp + fees

One day only, so don't miss out! Book at [www.glowshow.co.nz/bookings](http://www.glowshow.co.nz/bookings)  
You can email us for more info at [hello@glowshow.co.nz](mailto:hello@glowshow.co.nz)

The Matariki Glow Show is proudly presented by Little Green Man Productions  
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**020 4064 4859**  
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 **KELLYSPORTS.CO.NZ**

### Kelly Sports July Holiday Programmes

Bookings for our upcoming Kelly Sports Holiday Programmes at Hillview Christian School and Hillmorton High School are now available online.

The focus of our Programmes is to ensure kids are active throughout with a great mixture of games and activities to suit everyone. WINZ Subsidies are available for families that qualify and we have options of Half Day sessions, School Day sessions and Full Day sessions available.

To register and for more information please visit [www.kellysports.co.nz/christchurch-east](http://www.kellysports.co.nz/christchurch-east) or contact Mahina on [chch@kellysports.co.nz](mailto:chch@kellysports.co.nz) for more information

**CASHMERE HIGH SCHOOL**  
**OPEN DAY**



**THURSDAY  
9th JUNE, 2022**  
 4.00pm - 6.30pm  
 Cashmere High School  
 McCombs Performing Arts Centre  
 172 Rose Street, Christchurch

Joe Eccleton (Principal)  
 will address visitors at  
 4pm and 5pm  
 Guided tours from 4.30pm

  
**Cashmere  
High School**  
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2023 Prospectus and scholarship application forms will be available.  
 Phone 332 9129  
[www.cashmere.school.nz](http://www.cashmere.school.nz)

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**Sat 18 June**  
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