

Term 2, Week 4  
17<sup>th</sup> May 2023

# Te Kura o Ōpāwaho/Opawa School

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Kia ora tātou,

We have had a really positive couple of weeks, with lots of activities and learning happening both in the classroom and during break times. Lots of planning this term will be going into our whole community Matariki celebration in the last week of this term. This is an opportunity for us to all connect; to contribute; to celebrate and if you would like to be part of the organising team for this event, please contact [tracy@opawa.school.nz](mailto:tracy@opawa.school.nz) or our school office. It has been lovely recently to welcome back past pupils to help prepare for this event - to work alongside our current students and to give back, in true Opawa tuakana / teina style!

We have about thirty Year 5-8 students training at the moment for the South Zone cross country event next Tuesday 23rd May. This will be run at Hansen Park and you are very welcome to pop along and support our students. Thanks to Val and Isaiah for all their hard work and for training our students for this event - tau kē korua (you're both awesome!). Hamish Kerr (Olympic athlete and Commonwealth Games medalist in high jump) certainly motivated our students last week to give their best when he spoke with our Year 5-8 students. One of his key messages was to try as many activities as you can, especially when you are young, as you never know which specific activity will be 'your thing'. We know that for some of our students, running is 'their thing' and we are excited to see them excel in this.

Our junior students (Years 1-4) are also busy practising for their 'run for fun' which will be happening later this term. We are trying to find a date that aligns with the mini zone cross country event that our Year 3-4 students compete in at Hillview Christian School. We will let you know the date for both events very soon!

We continue to work hard on our communication with you all. Our school-wide expectation is that each class / learning team shares at least one Hero (our student management system) post each week with you. As a whole school, we do our very best to connect weekly with you via Facebook and we try our best to manage the requests we have from whānau not to have their child's / childrens' photo on certain digital platforms. Please ensure you are registered for Hero, so that you can keep up to date with all of your child's class news. Later this term the first semester reports will also be shared with you digitally via Hero (student management system).

Ngā mihi,  
Sally



# HAERE MAI WELCOME

Welcome to our new students and their  
Whānau/families: Kc, Archie, Layla & Eveline Rm1,  
Amaia Rm13 and Alandra Rm19.



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

Children can earn vouchers for demonstrating our school values. This term's value is **Ngakau Tapatahi (Integrity)** 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 on Monday: Finn & Isla C Rm4, Hazel & Torren Rm5 and Carter & Ava Rm9.

Six children are also selected with Gotchas, who can then have a day in mufti with their buddy. The following children were selected: Harper Rm13, Alexis Rm14, Charlie Rm17, Cody Rm18 and Mana & Robbie Rm19.

## DATES FOR THE DIARY

### Term 2 Dates

Board Hui	17 <sup>th</sup> May
Year 6 Cycle Safety	22-25 <sup>th</sup> May
Zones Cross Country	23 <sup>rd</sup> May
EPro8 Yr 7/8 Hillmorton High	15 <sup>th</sup> Jun
School 5-8pm	
Board Hui	21 <sup>st</sup> Jun
Swimming Yr 3/4 at Te Pou toetoe	19 <sup>th</sup> - 30 <sup>th</sup> Jun
Board Hui	21 <sup>st</sup> Jun
Canterbury Cross Country	21 <sup>st</sup> Jun
Matariki School Community Evening 5-7pm	28 <sup>th</sup> Jun

### 2023 TERM DATES

Term 2	24 <sup>th</sup> Apr-30 <sup>th</sup> Jun
Term 3	17 <sup>th</sup> Jul-22 <sup>nd</sup> Sep
Term 4	9 <sup>th</sup> Oct-15 <sup>th</sup> Dec

## SAUSAGE SIZZLE



**\$2**

Every **THURSDAY** for all of Term 2

Orders can be made on Online Lunches or Cash

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

Home And School



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



This Friday 19th May is Pink Shirt Day. To acknowledge this event we will be having a non-uniform day at school, encouraging ākonga to include the colour pink to support this valuable message of anti-bullying. We are not fund raising for this event, so no money is required. The focus is on being kind and standing together!

## ***High School Open Days/Evenings***



**Open Days Wednesday 31st May, Thursday 2nd, Friday 3rd June, 2023**

These will run during the kura day. This is an opportunity for whānau to bring their tamariki/rangatahi in for a small guided tour of our kura and to see our kura in action. Whānau must book these visits online, via our online school booking system or use our QR code.

Use this booking link to make your booking:

<https://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz/code/85dsu>

Alternatively scan the QR code linked below or attached:





Alternatively head to the school interviews website: <https://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz/code> and enter the code: **85dsu**

**Open Evening - Tuesday 6th June, 4.30pm-5.30pm and 6pm-7pm.**

These sessions will start promptly at 4.30pm and at 6pm, with Principal, Richard Edmundson addressing our visitors, followed by a guided tour of the kura, connecting with ākonga, kaiako, our cultural narrative and all that Te Aratai College has to offer. Everyone is welcome.

**Open Day: 8th June 2023 - 1.30pm to 4.30 pm**



Click here for Cashmere High [Enrolment Procedures](#). Enrolments close 28th July 2023.



**Open Evening: Wednesday 24 May (4.30pm start) or (5.30pm start)**

This will begin in the Auripo Auditorium (the new two-storey building at the front of the school). There will be presentations at 4.30 pm and 5.30 pm, followed by a chance to look around the school and meet some of our staff and students.

Applications for Year 9 2024 will open online from 15 May, and close at midday on 23 June. Important information for students and whānau is available on our website here:

<https://www.hagley.school.nz/enrolment/year-9-enrolment/>.

2024 Junior College Lookbook is also available to download here: <https://www.hagley.school.nz/wp-content/uploads/2023/04/2024-Junior-Prospectus-web.pdf>.



**AVONSIDE GIRLS'**  
— HIGH SCHOOL —  
Te Kura Kohine o Ōtākaro

**OPEN AFTERNOON**  
**THURSDAY 1ST JUNE, 3:30-5:30PM**



**SCHOLASTIC**

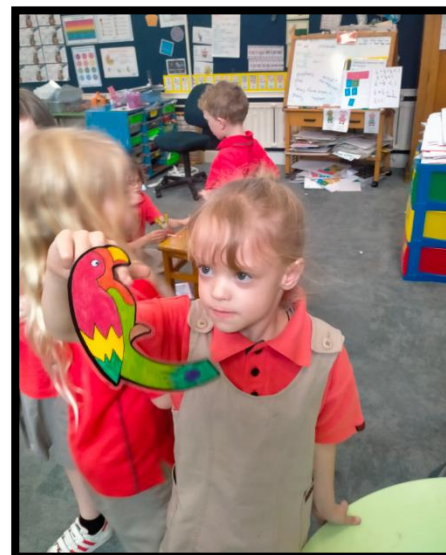
**Scholastic NZ Issue 3 closes on Friday 19th May.**



With winter well and truly here if you are able to put some spare socks and uniform bottoms in your child/ren's bag just in case there are mud accidents that would be fantastic!



If you are reporting your child/ren absent you can do so by phoning the office on 332 6374 or text 022 319 1181. Alternatively email [office@opawa.school.nz](mailto:office@opawa.school.nz)



## School Lunch Orders



### Lunches

**Sushi Factory every Wednesday & Friday**

**Order sushi before 8.30am**

**Delicious lunches delivered to your school**

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

It's simple; all you need to do is register at

[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 (0800565 565)

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



## 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**

## 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



Police support led, this fun community programme for rangatahi aged 10 and over.

It is a trauma informed programme (Neurosequential model of sport Dr Bruce Perry) with a component of neuroscience whereby we practice various self-regulation strategies during some running games, relays and practice.

We have some fabulous volunteers waiting to either lead a small group or be pairs directly with a higher need child. Alternatively we would love some rangatahi to come and lead / help support others.

## Events for term 2 (all optional)

- optional weekly parkrun, every Saturday  
<https://www.parkrun.co.nz/>
  - Rawhiti Cross Country Races 27 May New Brighton  
<https://athscanterburynz.wixsite.com/rawhiti23>
  - Selwyn Relay 10 June West Melton  
<https://athscanterburynz.wixsite.com/selwynrelay>
  - Canterbury Cross Country Champs, Halswell Quarry 1st July  
<https://athscanterburynz.wixsite.com/ccchamps2023>
- (End of TB term)

More details here:

[www.trailblazers.org.nz](http://www.trailblazers.org.nz)

## COMMUNITY EDUCATION CONTAINER EVENT

In collaboration with  
18 ACE Providers...

Explore your curiosity via hands-on learning experiences

8th - 18th May 2023  
10am to 4pm

110 Cashel Street, City  
Centre Christchurch

[www.learningcitychristchurch.nz](http://www.learningcitychristchurch.nz)

## WORK READINESS FOR WOMEN

Time for a change?



**DRESS FOR  
SUCCESS**  
CHRISTCHURCH

# POWERUP

Starts 18 May



[www.risingholme.org.nz](http://www.risingholme.org.nz)

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**St Albans School est 1873**

*Celebrating*

**150**  
Years

*Join us!*

**For the Festivities**

*and help us celebrate this momentous occasion!*

**FRIDAY 15TH - SUNDAY 17TH SEPTEMBER 2023**  
Email: [jubilee@stalbens.school.nz](mailto:jubilee@stalbens.school.nz)

17 Sheppard Place - St Albans - Christchurch - 8014  
[www.stalbens.school.nz](http://www.stalbens.school.nz) ☎ 03 355 9132 ✉ [office@stalbens.school.nz](mailto:office@stalbens.school.nz)



**TOURING AOTEAROA THROUGH JUNE-JULY 2023  
DURING TERM AND THE SCHOOL HOLIDAYS!**

The much-loved Glow Show is back!

82,000 Kiwi kids have already seen these innovative, glow-in-the-dark giant puppet shows, which are an absolute favourite for schoolchildren and educators. The Glow Show's latest storytelling bonanza is at a venue near you, this June and July.

**Bring your family, and book early for school holiday group discounts! For every 10 tickets, get one free!**

This year it is the Wonderland Glow Show - a fabulously Kiwified version of Alice in Wonderland. **Perfect for 0 - 7 year olds!**

The show's masterfully crafted characters and intriguing scenery will transport its audiences into a weird and wonderful world of dancing flamingos, an eight-metre caterpillar and giant flowers.

**Wonderland Glow Show is all about reading being a true superpower, a power every kid has inside!**

The Glow Show educates and entertains, by promoting literacy and Te Reo Māori, and celebrating the exquisite art of ultraviolet puppetry.

It offers a truly memorable experience with positive and uplifting messages for tamariki.

Wonderland Glow Show will be at The Piano, Christchurch, MONDAY July 10!

**JULY SCHOOL HOLIDAYS**

10am & 11:30am - \$23.50pp (Babies under 18 months free of charge with paying adult)

One day only, so don't miss out!

You can email us for more info at [hello@glowshow.co.nz](mailto:hello@glowshow.co.nz)



The Wonderland Glow Show is proudly presented by Little Green Man Productions  
Join us on Facebook! [www.facebook.com/glowshowco](http://www.facebook.com/glowshowco)





# TERM 2 ACTIVE AUTUMN SPORTS



Te Kura o Ōpāwaho  
**MONDAY'S, 3:10 – 4:10PM**

- ✓ Basketball
- ✓ Football

- ✓ Netball
- ✓ Hockey

BOOK ONLINE AT  
**KELLYSPORTS.CO.NZ**

