

Term 4, Week 4
1st November 2023

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Kia ora koutou,

In the three and a half weeks we have been back this term, we have had some incredibly exciting learning opportunities for our students - both in and out of school.

Our Year 5/6 students had three days (and two nights) on camp at Woodend. This was the first time that some of our students had experienced time away from their whānau and also experienced camp life! We are super grateful to all of our awesome parent helpers, staff and 24/7 mentors - Sarah and Ethan for making this experience so memorable. A special thank you to Nick, for his expertise in planning, organising and leading in this space!

This term is a busy term for everyone, and an extra special term for our senior (Year 8) students. A big thank you to our Home and School who have funded the Year 8 Hoodies that our Year 8 students are each gifted and allowed to wear in Term 4. In order to enjoy all of the end of year activities that our Year 8 students have planned, the Year 8 students themselves work hard to raise funds to cover the costs of these activities. Thank you for all of your support on our non-uniform day recently and also last Friday at our Year 7/8 Market Day. We love the opportunity to connect with you and to collectively contribute and support our senior students - well done everyone!

All of our Year 3/4 students went on a field trip in Week 2 of this term to Victoria Square and Marg Mahy playground. Their focus was on the cultural and historical significance of these places to Ngaī Tahu and to ignite their learning for the term. They also had a chance to connect with one and another and as a team and to connect with 'our place' ...Otautahi / Christchurch.

Last Wednesday evening we held a Combined Hui for our Board / Home and School and Whānau Group members. This was a fabulous opportunity to connect with one another; hear about each other's successes for the past 12 months, and share ideas and thoughts about the next 12 months. We are always keen to have new whānau / friends of our kura - join, come and see what we are all about. At the start of 2024, we will be advertising key dates for the year and actively exploring ways to get more of our community involved for the benefit of our children!

Over the next two weeks, we have two Board sessions - our usual Board meeting tonight and an additional strategic planning session next Wednesday night. Rest assured that the playground build and utilising your feedback from our recent survey are key points of discussion.

We are off to Hansen Park now for Day 2 (sprints) for our senior (Year 5-8) Athletics. Keep checking Hero posts and school-links emails for updates on what is happening each day / week, as there is plenty happening and it is easy to miss key events.

Ngā mihi, Sally and The Team at Te Kura o Ōpāwaho - Opawa School



HAERE MAI WELCOME

Welcome to our new students and their
Whānau/families: Nubaisha Rm 12, Jacob & Harriet
Rm 14,

Responsibility

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

Children can earn vouchers for demonstrating our school values. This term's value is Responsibility (Kaweka) 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: Scarlett Rm4, Hunter & Edie Rm5, Caspian Rm10 and Asha & Indy Rm11.

Six children are also selected with Gotchas, who can then have a day in mufti with their buddy. The following children were selected: Thom & Levi Rm13, Edward & Charlotte Rm17 and Moses & Olive Rm18.



DATES FOR THE DIARY

Term 4 Dates

BOT Meeting	1 st Nov
Junior Disco 2-3pm	3 rd Nov
Senior Kapa Haka Wanaka 10-2pm	5 th Nov
Board strategic planning in Meeting Room at school 4-7pm	8 th Nov
Sth Zone Athletics 09.30am-12pm	10 th Nov
HAS Movie Night	12 th Nov
Senior Disco 4.30-6pm	15 th Nov
Show Day	17 th Nov
Teacher Only Day	20 th Nov
Senior Kapa Haka at Town Hall	25 th Nov
Children's University Graduation 5.30-7.30pm Town Hall	28 th Nov
Canterbury Athletics	29 th Nov
Year 8 Fun Day at Jellie Park	1 st Dec
BOT Meeting	6 th Dec
Tabloids 11.45-1pm	8 th Dec
Home & School Picnic at school 5-7pm	8 th Dec
Year 8 Leavers Assembly	13 th Dec
Year 8 Activities & Dinner	13 th Dec
Last Day 12 noon finish	15 th Dec

2024 TERM DATES

Term 1	1 st & 2 nd Jan
PLP's	5 th Jan
Staff Only Day	6 th Jan
Waitangi Day	7 th Jan
Classes Begin	

TE KURA O ŌPĀWA OPAWA SCHOOL

HOME AND SCHOOL MOVIE NIGHT

THE GRINCH

Sunday, 12th November
4-6.30 PM

Opawa Community Church

BYO Food & Drinks (water) pillows, rugs, bean bags
POPCORN and SEATS provided

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

Term 4 school-wide important dates:

(Print out and pop on your fridge)

Week 4

- Wednesday 1 November Board meeting 7pm
- Friday 3 November Junior Disco (Year 0-4). Juniors are able to come to school dressed as their favourite book character
- Sunday 5 November - Sunday Senior Kapa Haka Wanaka 10-2pm (preparation / learning) day at school

Week 5

- Wednesday 8 November 4 - 7pm Board strategic planning in Meeting Room at school
- Friday 10 November - South Zone athletics at Hansen Park
- Sunday 12th November - Home and School Movie Night - more information to come

Week 6

- Wednesday 15 November Senior Disco 4.30 - 6pm
- Friday 17 November Show Day (no school)

Week 7

- Monday 20 November - Staff only day (no school)
- Saturday 25 November - Senior Kapa Haka Tūhono (Town Hall)

Week 8

- Tuesday 28th November UC Children's University Graduation 5.30-7.30pm Town Hall
- Wednesday 29 November Canterbury Athletics
- Friday 1 December Year 8 Jellie Park Swim Day

Week 9

- Wednesday 6 December - Board meeting
- Friday 8 December - Tabloids 11.45-1pm (whānau welcome) more information to come
- Friday 8 December - Home and School picnic 5-7pm at school

Week 10

- Monday 11 December - Reports and 2024 class placement letters sent home
- Wednesday 13 December - Year 8 Leavers Assembly 10-11am. Yr8 Whānau invites to follow
- Wednesday 13 December Year 8 Leavers Dinner 5.30pm - 7.30pm
- Thursday 14 December - Year 7/8 Fun Day at school (wear school uniform and bring a change of clothes)
- Friday 15 December - school finishes at 12 noon

School Lunch Orders


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Tuesday

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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

Meet Maiya! She is off to Chile in February 2024 for a year's student exchange programme. To make this dream happen she is selling beeswax wraps to fundraise. These are hand made in Christchurch with 100% cotton, beeswax, jojoba oil, manuka oil and damar gum.

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1 X large & 1 X medium \$19

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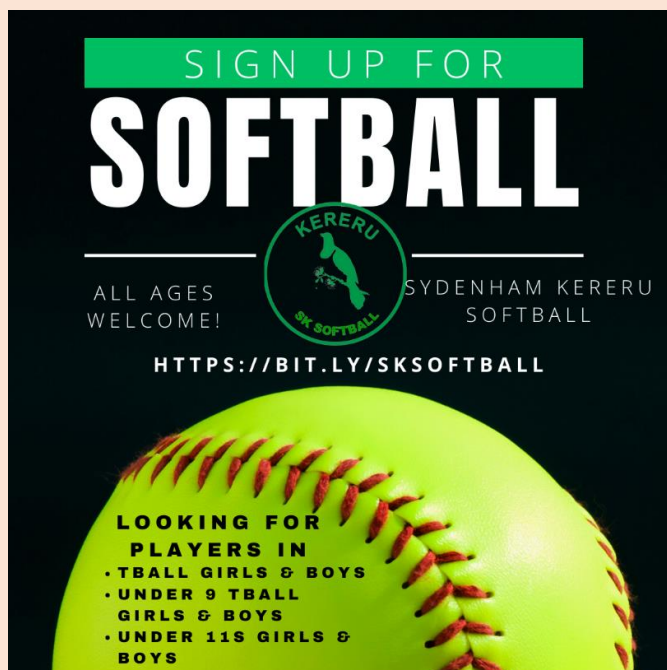
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I'm a piano teacher in **Huntsbury**, Christchurch.

I teach **4 year old to adult beginners** and offer a playful introduction to making music.

If you're curious about playing the piano, I'd love to hear from you!

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Te Puawaitanga ki Ōtautahi Trust is arranging 200 Christmas meal boxes to be delivered to whānau this Christmas. Our Kirihimete Koha Kai Box contains everything whānau need to make a special meal.

How can you help?

Please get in touch if you can donate one, two or more of:

- Jelly x 200
- Gravy x 200, 3-pack roast meat flavour
- Boxes of stuffing x 200
- Tinned beetroot x 350
- Tinned fruit salad, large x 100, small x 200
- Pavlova x 200
- Christmas pudding x 200
- Fruit/Vegetable store gift cards
- Catering boxes of butter x6
- Catering boxes of mini salt and pepper x2

If you are interested in donating to this kaupapa please get in touch.

Every gift, big or small is gratefully accepted. Donations can be dropped off to:

Te Puawaitanga ki Ōtautahi Trust
Level 3, 7 Winston Ave, Papanui or we can collect.

For more information, please contact
kohakai@tepuawaitanga.maori.nz or 0800 66 99 57

We are also accepting monetary donations.

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For more information, please contact
Candice on kohakai@tepuawaitanga.maori.nz or 021 974 382

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SCAN FOR MORE INFORMATION



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Tuesday & Thursday
3pm - 4pm meet at Te Aratai College field
Sports & Games | Afternoon tea provided | Free of charge | Year 7-13's welcome

For more info please contact alice.moore@kawai.org



The Great Canterbury Duck Race

Sunday 5th November, 12pm - 2pm
Bridge of Remembrance

JOIN HAROLD THE GIRAFFE FOR A FUN FAMILY DAY OUT!

Watch on as hundreds of ducks race down the Avon, take part in activities on the riverside and get a bite to eat.

Get quacking and show your support for the work of Canterbury Life Education Trust, supporting children and young people to make positive choices for their health and wellbeing.

RACE SCHEDULE:

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CTFC AGM

CTFC's 12th AGM is fast approaching and it would be great to have a good attendance. Please come along to hear about our plans for 2024. All are welcome to attend!

Date: 6.30 pm Wednesday 22nd November Kellaway Bar The Woolston Club

2024 Academy team information meetings

Please come along to Garrick Park Community Room and hear our plans for 2024 CTFC Academy teams.

Wednesday 8th November 5.30 - 6.15 pm

14th (2010) and 15th (2009) Academy teams

Wednesday 8th November 6.30 - 7.15 pm

17th Grade (2007 and 2008)

We will be running Academy team information meetings for our **14th and 16th Grade Girls** teams and also our **13th Grade Academy** team in early February 2024.

Any questions? Please contact lisay@ctfc.co.nz

Thanks,

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