

Te Kura o Ōpāwaho-Opawa School

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What a huge few weeks we have had. The following things have been happening for our students and community....

- Thursday 2nd November - Senior Choir Performance at the Town Hall
- Friday 3rd November - Author and Illustrator, Gavin Bishop visited our whole school
- Friday 3rd November - Junior disco 2-3pm run by our Student Council
- Wednesday 8th November - Board strategic planning in Meeting Room at school
- Friday 10th November - South Zone athletics at Hansen Park. Almost 50 students represented our school and six qualified for the Canterbury Champs next week
- Sunday 12th November - Home and School Movie Night at Opawa St Martins Community Church
- Monday 13th November - Senior Kapa Haka wanaka (preparation / learning) day at school
- Wednesday 15th November - Senior Kapa Haka dress rehearsal at school
- Wednesday 15th November - Senior disco 'Opposites Theme'
- Oh and a group of our Year 5/6 students won 'best original music' AND 'school with the 'most personality' at the 'Top of the Pods' Podcasting Competition held recently across Canterbury!

PHEW!

We can't wait to see you all at our Community (Christmas) Picnic on the 8th December from 5-7pm - watch out for more information about this and other events over the next three and a half weeks.

Ngā mihi,
Sally



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: Leon & Emily Rm3, Micah, Bridget, Jude & Evie Rm4 and Tadgh Rm5.

Six children are also selected with Gotchas, who can then have a day in mufti with their buddy. The following children were selected: Freddy & Brittany Rm12, Aaron Rm13 and Addison & Charlotte Rm17.

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Term 4 Dates

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| Senior Kapa Haka at Town Hall | 25 th Nov |
| Children's University Graduation | 28 th Nov |
| 5.30-7.30pm Town Hall | |
| Canterbury Athletics | 29 th Nov |
| Year 8 Fun Day at Jellie Park | 1 st Dec |
| Board Meeting | 6 th Dec |
| Tabloids 11.45-1pm | 8 th Dec |
| Home & School Picnic at school 5-7pm | 8 th Dec |
| Reports & 2024 class placement | 11 th Dec |
| Letters sent home | |
| 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

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| Term 1 | |
| Personal Learning Plan hui (PLP) | 1 st & 2 nd Feb |
| Staff Only Day | 5 th Feb |
| Waitangi Day | 6 th Feb |
| Classes Begin | 7 th Feb |

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



Uniform Update

We are rolling out new skorts and shorts which are now black. Either the old or the new can be worn and are available at Mainland Uniforms.



Term 4 school-wide important dates:

(Print out and pop on your fridge)

Week 7

- 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



SCHOLASTIC

Issue 8 closes on Friday 24th November

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ADVENTURE BACK TO SCHOOL DELIVERY

The advertisement features a vibrant, cartoonish illustration of a school scene. A delivery truck with a green and orange stripe is parked on the right, with a small house and a tree in the background. On the left, a school gate with a sign that says 'SCHOOL' is visible, with a small figure of a person standing near it. The sky is blue with a green alien-like character holding a stack of books. A large sheet of colorful name labels is shown in the center, and a pink, fluffy character is peeking over a rock on the right. The overall theme is 'Adventure Back to School'.

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

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(& 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



Huntsbury Preschool

OPEN DAY

Wednesday 29th November
10- 11:30am

**A not-for-profit community preschool,
with nature play.**

Huntsbury Community Centre,
30H Huntsbury Ave.
Ph- 027 762 7874



PLINKY PLONKY

PIANO STUDIO


Hi! I'm Anne Marie.

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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Kirihimete KOHA KAI

HELP A WHĀNAU HAVE A SPECIAL CHRISTMAS

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



Te Puawaitanga
ki Ōtautahi Trust

We are also accepting
monetary donations.

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Te Puawaitanga
ki Ōtautahi Trust





NOW HIRING!
AFTER SCHOOL CARE SUPERVISOR

**DO YOU ENJOY: WORKING WITH CHILDREN?
WORKING IN A GREAT TEAM? AFTERNOON
HOURS? THIS IS THE JOB FOR YOU!**

SUCCESSFUL CANDIDATES WILL:

- Love working with children
- Be available to work the after school care programme (From 2.30 - 6:00pm ALL week days)
- Have experience managing groups of children
- Have behaviour management experience
- Undergo a police check and support our culture of child protection
- Have great communication skills and enjoy working in a team environment

With the possibility of before school care 7.15-8.30am & School Holidays

LOCATION: Beckenham Area of Christchurch

SCAN FOR MORE INFORMATION



TAHA TINANA

AFTERSCHOOL SPORTS PROGRAMME





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



Want to add to a Zentangle Collaborative Art project?

All materials & inspiration provided

Saturday 25th Nov - Sydenham Rm South Library 10am-3.30pm

Sunday 26th Nov - Penney Rm, Risingholme Learning 9am-5pm (carpark at 99 Hawford Rd)

The Joy of Christmas



Join us at
49 Malcolm Avenue, Beckenham, Christchurch
On Saturday & Sunday - 2nd and 3rd December 2023
between 10am and 3pm

To revel in the beauty of this Cottage decorated especially for Christmas.
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