

Sharing, Caring,
Learning and Achieving

Opaheke School

Established 1968

PRINCIPAL'S DESK

We are a Microsoft Showcase School



Kia ora koutou katoa, talofa lava, bula vinaka, malo e lelei, kia orana, namaste, malo ni, asalaamu alaikum, and warm greetings to you all.

Learning Dispositions

I spent Monday morning teaching in Room 8. They were fortunate to be the first classroom to look at some of the new updated visuals and branding for our school. The tamariki were very impressed with the revamped school logo and new learner disposition logos. Learning dispositions in simple terms, are the **learning** behaviours that we encourage and value, and ultimately like to see our students display. The new learning disposition logos have intricate detail and infuse clever and subtle objects that bring further meaning to each disposition. For instance our **'Self Regulator'** logo incorporates a watch face, tick symbol, and koru. The students talked about those things meaning that we need to be organised, focussed and on time amongst other things.

We went onto the **'Challenge taker'** logo. The depiction of a mountain, stars, and flag atop the mountain, all symbolise striving to attain goals as well as being courageous and not afraid to fail. We also spoke about mountains being hard to climb, and the view from the top rewarding the effort.

One student blew me away when, shortly after seeing our new logo, he showed our **'thinker'** disposition when he said, *"I think the 5 pieces in the O mean our 5 learning dispositions"*.

You may gradually see some of these updated signs and logos appear around the school. By the time they do, your children should be able to explain what each of them mean.

Basketball Hoops and Backboards

Unfortunately, our school missed out on getting new basketball hoops in the recently concluded ***Hoops in Schools*** competition. But we are not giving up. Our student councillors have organised a PJ day and sausage sizzle for this Friday in the hope of raising some funds to go toward purchasing some new ones for our students.

PhotoLife Photos

Photolife class, individual, team and sibling photographs are happening next Thursday. With the King's birthday

long weekend approaching, now might be a good time to think about getting your child a haircut so they look A+ before next Thursday. I will send out another courtesy reminder via skool loop and facebook early Thursday morning.

Have a great week.

Noho ora mai,
Jade Tawhiti.



PhotoLife



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We look forward to seeing your child at school by 8.25am ready to learn each day.
School finishes for all students at 2.30pm.



LEARNING AT ŌPAHEKE



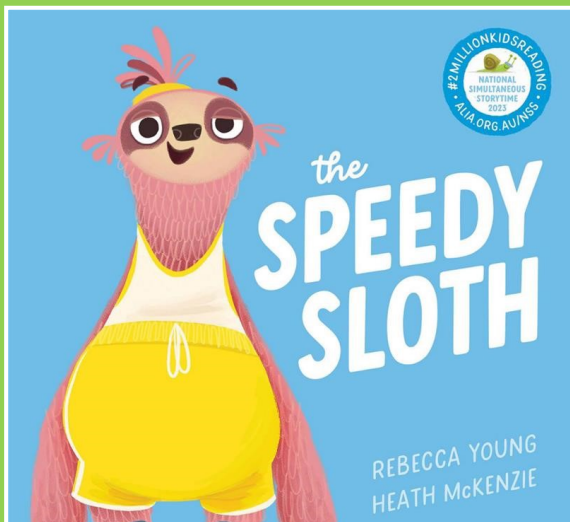
Sport

Counties Zone Boys Rugby

Several Year 7 and 8 boys from Ōpaheke participated in the Counties Zone Rugby Tournament on Tuesday 30 May. They played alongside students from other schools in the North Counties cluster. The boys made up the North Counties Under 55kg and North Counties Open teams.

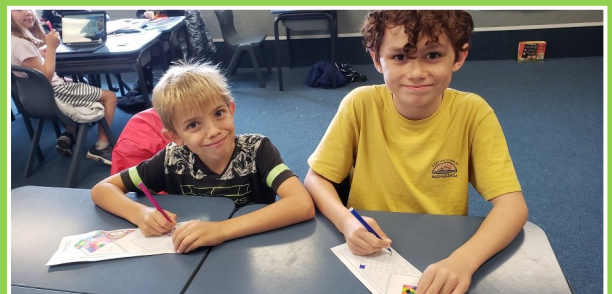


National Simultaneous Storytime



We were one of 20,154 locations across Australia and New Zealand to join in with Simultaneous Storytime on Wednesday the 24th May. This annual event sees schools and libraries reading the same book at the same time. This year the book was 'The Speedy Sloth' by Rebecca Young. A story about resilience, being proud of your achievements and not comparing yourself to others: "Yes, Spike was slow, but for a sloth she was fast". Junior classes each had a copy of the book to

add to their class libraries and other classes listened to the story in a variety of formats, even a video of a Zoo keeper from the Singapore Zoo reading the story to one of their sloths. After listening to the story many classes made sloth bookmarks, some even made sloth masks.



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CHALLENGE TAKER

Welcome to Miss Erika Langford

Erika Langford has joined us as Learning Support for ESOL students, where she will be guiding and supporting students with their reading and writing skills.

Erika enjoys working with students to enable them to understand and learn to their fullest potential.

She lives in Papakura and has 3 children of her own. When she is not working she enjoys reading as well as getting out and about with her kids.

Erika looks forward to becoming part of the Ōpaheke school community.



Photolife Photos

Your child's photos will be taken at Ōpaheke School on **Thursday 8th June** for class and individual photos. All students who are present at school will have their photo taken.

On **Friday 9th June** PhotoLife will be taking Team Photos of the Librarians, Netball Teams and School Councillors. Netball players (and team coaches/managers) will need to come to school in their full netball uniform and Councillors will also need their Councillor uniforms for the photo. They will take any sibling photos which are requested by returning the 'Sibling Photo Request Form' which was sent home with students last week or can be picked up from the school office.

Keycodes for ordering will be sent out a couple of weeks **AFTER** the photos have been taken so you can view and order your child's photos. You will only be able to see photos with your own child in it.

SAUSAGE SIZZLE AND PYJAMA DAY!!!

On Friday 2 June, the Ōpaheke School Councillors will be holding a sausage sizzle and Pyjama Day fundraiser.

Sausages \$2-00 each

Pyjama Day - Gold Coin donation to participate

We will be collecting sausage sizzle money from your class on Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday this week.

The money raised will go towards new basketball hoops and backboard for the courts.

If you do not eat beef or pork, bring your own sausage along on Friday in a named container and we will cook it for you.



Celebrating!

STAR Award Recipients

Our term two focus is 'Respect for Self and Others'.

Well done to all our students who received awards over the last two weeks.

Great work team!



Term 2 Week 6

Gold Award Mathletes

Congratulations to Wyatt R3, Ryleigh and Ma'ata R5, Joban R6, Ethan R7, Alyssa R25, Lincoln and Viaan R26 who have attained their gold award certificates for Mathletics over the last two weeks. It takes 20 weeks of consistent effort to achieve one of these awards.

So much hard work!



Pink Shirt Day



Staff and students dressed in pink on Friday 19th May. Thank you to everyone who donated and got involved in Pink Shirt Day, to raise awareness and help to stamp out bullying by celebrating diversity and promoting kindness and inclusion. Our school has raised \$296 for the Mental Health Foundation.

Great work everyone.



PTA Notices

PTA MEETING

14 June 2023

7.00pm - Ōpaheke School Staffroom

All Welcome (including children)



Ōpaheke School's

FUNDRAISER PHOTOSHOOT

NZ Family Portraits
Papakura
Photoshoot

DATE: Sunday 11th June



ŌPAHEKE SCHOOL PTA

UPCOMING PIE FUNDRAISER

Treat yourself to a night off cooking this winter. Get in some pies to feed the whānau or have a weekend treat!

\$10 EACH	FAMILY PIES	6 types of meat pie, creamy vegetarian and 4 types of fruit pie
\$8 /PACK	SAVOURIES	6 pack mince savouries
\$15 /PACK	LUNCH PIES	4 types of pie - hold in hand size - 5 per pack
\$11 /PACK	SAUSAGE ROLLS	5 pack sausage rolls
\$8 /PACK	LAMINGTONS	Chocolate or Raspberry- not cream filled - 6 per pack

ORDER FORMS AND INSTRUCTIONS WILL BE SENT OUT NEXT WEEK



ORDERS & PAYMENT DUE: FRIDAY 23RD JUNE
DELIVERY & PICK UP FROM HALL: WEDNESDAY 26TH JULY
FOR MORE ORDER FORMS PLEASE SEE THE OFFICE
PTA@OPAHEKE.SCHOOL.NZ PH: 298-5410

There are still a few spaces left for afternoon bookings on the 11th June.

If you would like to support this PTA fundraiser and receive a lovely family portrait for only \$20 (you can buy more if you want) please feel free to call into the school office with your \$20 cash payment and complete a registration a form.



Anti-Bully Week 2023

Last week was anti-bully week! Room 8 got stuck in with lots of different activities throughout the week to help us learn all about how to handle bullying - including standing up for ourselves and for others!

We loved using our reading and writing skills, linked with the arts and the Collaborator disposition, to create scripts using prompt scenarios.

This helped us to think about and discuss different ways we could help if we see someone else being bullied.

Everyone got up and had a go at performing these in front of our class - it is awesome to see our confidence growing!

Anti-Bullying Script Playwrights: Aria, Blayke, Molly

Bartholomew Aria
Frederick Blayke
Bobbet Molly

Scene: Bartholomew eating lunch on the school playground.

Frederick: Hey, watch this! [sits down by Bartholomew] What's up, Bartholomew?

Bartholomew: [stutters] H-hi...

Frederick: Oooo your lunch looks yum! [laughs] [pushes Bartholomew]

Bobbet and Frederick laugh

Bartholomew: [tries not to cry... but can't hold it in!] [Runs away from the boys]

Bobbet: Frederick I don't think we're doing the right thing...

Frederick: Yeah right he's a nerd, he deserved it!

Bobbet: [Runs to Bartholomew] Hey, I'm sorry for laughing at you. Want to be friends?

A script written and performed by Aria, Blayke and Molly.

We have also been looking at how to be Bucket Fillers this week! Bucket Fillers are things we can do or say that show kindness to others. Doing these awesome things fills up other people's buckets and fills our own bucket at the same time.

We have started writing each other compliment cards to fill our buckets with! These are displayed in our classroom and will come home with us every week.



Room 8 looking cool with our pink shirts on!



Our colourful buckets of kindness



Using our teamwork skills during EPro8

Room 8



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IMPORTANT DATES

2 Jun	Sausage Sizzle and Pyjama Day
5 Jun	King's Birthday (No School)
6 Jun	Boostrix Vaccinations
7 Jun	Y5-8 North Counties Winter Sports
8 Jun	PhotoLife - Class and Individual Photos
9 Jun	PhotoLife - Team and Sibling Photos
11 Jun	PTA Family Portraits
13 Jun	Board Meeting 7.10pm
14 Jun	PTA Meeting 7pm

TERM DATES FOR 2023

Term 2 - Monday 24 Apr (TOD) to Friday 30 June

Term 3 - Monday 17 July to Friday 22 Sept

Term 4 - Monday 9 Oct to Friday 15 Dec

STAR AWARDS

Term 2 - Respect for Self and Others

Room	Week 5	Week 6
R1		Anne
R2		Omar
R3		Kev
R4		Boston
R5		Daniel
R6		Lana
R7		Ava
R8		Campbell
R9		Nikolay
R10		Nate
R11		Mackenzie
R12		Ethan
R15		Da in
R21		Eleanor
R22		Emma
R23		Romeo
R24		Kabilan
R25		Liam-Ray
R26		Andrej
Junior Hub		Harmandeep
Kanuka		Colby
Manuka		Kyle

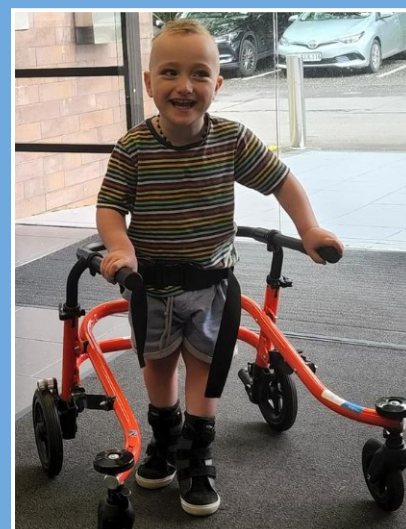
No Assembly - Wet Day

Fletcher's Walking Wish

Thank you to everyone who donated, ordered a bee-kind pin or purchased an assorted pin at the pop-up stand. The bee-kind pins have been ordered and will arrive and be handed out to students this term.

We raised \$1,612.20 to go towards Fletcher's Walking Wish.

All proceeds have been donated through the Givealittle page.



FOR ALL SCHOOL NEWS IN TERM 2 WITH THE SKOOL LOOP APP!

- Receive instant notifications to your device about school news and notices
- Translate school notices to your native language
- Sign permission forms
- Book interviews and more!



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