

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.

Remembering the Past

We have a couple of teachers leaving us at the end of this term as they take on new positions closer to home. While it is sad to lose teachers, we are grateful for the service they have given our school and tamariki. But most of all we feel proud that they will take their Ōpaheke kete and let it shine at their new place. Ngā mihi nui, Olivia Smit and Kendall Spence.

Celebrating the Present

Matariki learning

I was invited into Room 10 to see their beautiful paper weaving. The tamariki coped with the task really well and it was fascinating to observe how calm the class was when weaving. Obviously a therapeutic activity. My personal favourite was a red, yellow, and black woven creation. I asked the boy responsible for the stunning pattern, "*Are these the colours of my favourite rugby team....the chiefs?*", rather deflatingly he responded, "*No, they are pikachu colours*".

Year 8 Camp

A massive thank you to the teachers and parents who made Year 8 camp such a memorable experience. It was a bit cold and boggy, but everybody had great attitudes. My personal highlight was seeing the boys drop an impromptu night time haka in response to the girls singing pop anthems outside the cabins.

100% attendees

I must say I was pleasantly surprised by the solid stack of certificates I had to sign for children who have had not missed a single day of school this term, and even some who have been here everyday this year! Lately, a lot of time and energy has been spent focussing on low attendance rather than celebrating great attendance. So I am really proud of these children for making every day count. Parents you can give yourselves a big pat on the back from me as well, because it is no easy feat. I even think that some of these children have the potential to make it a 100% year.

Looking to the Future

Parent Survey

Our board would like your input into our vision statement and values. A survey has been developed which will be in circulation over the next month or so, and we would love your input. There will be multiple opportunities for you to complete this survey, the first of which will be today at *Student Led Conferences*. Members of our staff may catch you to explain the survey and either give you a paper survey to take away or even work with you on a laptop to complete it while you are here.

New teachers

As our school grows we have been fortunate enough to add some new faces to our teaching team. Mrs Kelly Garrick, Mrs Sumandana, Ms Paige Jarvie, and Mrs Kris Burden will be joining our school as classroom teachers next term.

Papakura Library

The term 2 break will see some wet days. If you get cabin fever, get your kids out of the house and drop them off at the library. Alongside the book collection, they have put together an excellent Matariki themed holiday programme. More information is further on in this newsletter and I will be telling the kids about it. So expect them to bug you. I would hope to see Opaheke School kids making the most of this resource. Who knows, I may pop in and pay a special visit.

Have a nice break and see you back on the 17th of July.

Noho ora mai,

Jade Tawhiti.

CONTACT US

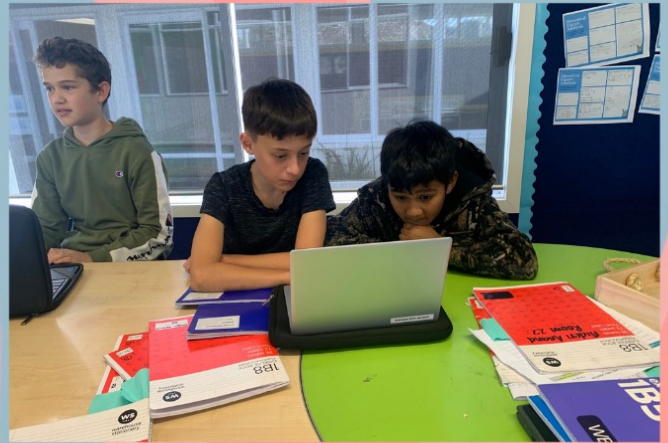
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We look forward to seeing your child at school by 8.25am ready to learn each day.
School finishes for all students at 2.30pm.



LEARNING AT ŌPAHEKE



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Sport

Counties Zone Girls Rugby

The girls really came together as a team for the Counties Zone Girls Rugby Competition on the 13th June.

In their pool the scores were:

Game 1: Loss- Manurewa 40- North Counties 0

Game 2: Draw- Papakura Intermediate 5 - North Counties 5 (game called short due to injury unable to be moved)

Game 3: Win-Te Maturanga 10 - North Counties 30

Game 4: Loss- Finlayson Park 22 - North Counties 0

Placing them 3rd in their pool

The team played off for 5th and 6th against Waimahia

The final score was a draw 15:15

Meaning they came 5th =

Try scorers:

Fie x5, Tildamoa x2, Ataahua x1, Mia-Ann x1, Caja x1



North Counties Rugby

On Wednesday, 21 June our mixed Rugby 10's team (open weight) played three matches for North Counties. The scores are below:

1st match = Ōpaheke - 25 against Kauri Flats A - 15

2nd match = Draw between Ōpaheke and Kauri Flats B

3rd Lost = Ōpaheke - 15 against St Mary - 20

Our students did us school proud consistently showing respect and mana all day.



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 9

Gold Award Mathletes

Congratulations to Mason Manuka, Pranavi R1, Quinn R5, Harrison R7, Macy R24, Amelia and Ben R26 who have attained their gold award certificates for Mathletics over the last few weeks. It takes 20 weeks of consistent effort to achieve one of these awards.

So much hard work!



Mānawatia a Matariki - Matariki ki Pukekiwiriki

As Ngāti Tamaoho Trust have done in previous years, Mānawatia a Matariki - karakia and kōrero will take place at the Pukekiwiriki Pā site followed by parakuihi and a Matariki workshop at the Ngāti Tamaoho office.

For anyone who needs a ride they will be providing return transport (by bus) from The Ngāti Tamaoho Trust office. It's important that people book their seat if they'd like to take up this option. There is very minimal parking up at Pukekiwiriki Pā.

Use this link below to book your seat: <https://forms.office.com/r/0yGbtArq0R>

MATARIKI KI PUKEKIWIRIKI

FREE EVENT
TUESDAY 11 JULY 2023
5.30AM - 8.30AM

94R Red Hill Road, Red Hill, Papakura

Mānawa maiea te putanga o Matariki
Mānawa maiea te ariki o te rangi
Mānawa maiea te mātahi o te tau

Celebrate the rising of Matariki
Celebrate the rising of the lord of the sky
Celebrate the rising of the New Year

Join us for Karakia and kai in the early hours of the morning as we come together under the shimmering sky to celebrate **Matariki**.

Remembrance, celebrating the present and looking to the future.

**Please note from the entrance it's approximately a 5 minute walk to the Pukekiwiriki Pā site. Staff and solar lighting will guide the way.*

FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL: **09-930-7823**



MATARIKI KI PUKEKIWIRIKI

FREE EVENT
TUESDAY 11 JULY 2023
5.30AM - 8.30AM

Free Bus	FROM: Ngāti Tamaoho 128 Hingaia Road Karakia TO: Pukekiwiriki Pā	Depart @ 5.15am
Karakia and kōrero	Pukekiwiriki Pā	6.00am
Free Bus	FROM: Pukekiwiriki Pā TO: Ngāti Tamaoho 128 Hingaia Road	Depart @ 7.00am
Parakuihi (Breakfast)	Served @ Ngāti Tamaoho	7.30am - 8.30am

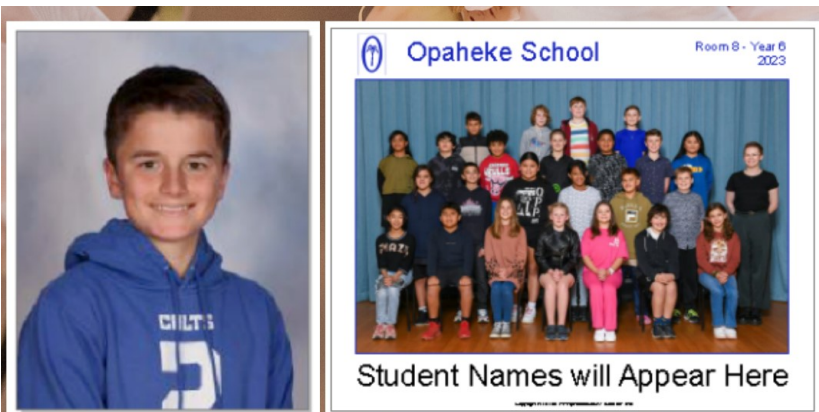
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Book Character Parade

Advanced Notice - Book Week Character Parade Friday 18th August

It is a long-standing tradition to have a Book Character Parade during Book Week, this year our parade will be on Friday the 18th of August. Costumes do not need to be expensive or elaborate and can be as simple as a paper mask. It is a highlight of Book Week and students enjoy wearing costumes on this day.



OPAHEKE SCHOOL PHOTOS NOW AVAILABLE TO ORDER ONLINE

KEY CODES HAVE BEEN EMAILED TO PARENTS DIRECT FROM PHOTOLIFE.
PLEASE CONTACT THE SCHOOL OFFICE IF YOU HAVE NOT RECEIVED THIS VIA EMAIL.

FREE DELIVERY EXPIRES 2ND JULY

PAPAKURA LIBRARY SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMME FOR AGES 5-12

Monday 3 July 10am
Matariki

Create a colourful paper globe

Tuesday 4 July 10am
Ururangi

Design and construct an
anemometer that measures wind

Wednesday 5 July 10am
Hiwa-i-terangi

Using scratch art, create a
colourful Matariki scene

Thursday 6 July 10am
Pōhutukawa

Create a Matariki star and starbox
with tealight

Friday 7 July 10am
Tupuārangi

Design Matariki feathers and
create a feather mobile

Monday 10 July 10am
Waiti

Hear the story of Kiwi Moon
and make your own artwork

Tuesday 11 July 10am
Tupuānuku

Using dried flowers design and
create a lovely bookmark

Wednesday 12 July 10am
Waita

Design a piece of art inspired
by seashells

Thursday 13 July 10am
Tupuānuku

We have two sessions
10am - 11am, 11.30am -
12.30pm where we will be
working with clay. These are
limited to 12 tamariki.
Please book at the library desk



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PTA Notices

Photo fundraiser

Thank you to all the families who came along on the day for our fundraiser. We had a great time on the day meeting you all and we thank you for your support. We raised \$1000 from this.

Oxford Pies

Thank you for your hard work getting these amazing orders in. We really appreciate you taking the time to fill in your sheets. Delivery is July 26th, if you would like to help on the day, please contact the PTA or office.

School lunches

Thank you to those who are supporting our school lunches on a Thursday and Friday. It has taken a lot of work getting this up and running with newly required Auckland Council registration and getting up to scratch with the new Food Act rules and regulations. Thank you to our amazing team of volunteers who come in to count the orders and fill the bags each week. You guys are amazing! If you would like to join our team, please contact the office or PTA.

The PTA hope all families have a great time over the holidays.



WE NEED YOU!!

ROAD PATROL HELPERS

To help our awesome Road Patrol students

MONDAY 2.25PM OPAHEKE ROAD
THURSDAY 8AM OPAHEKE ROAD

PLEASE CONTACT THE SCHOOL OFFICE ASAP
PH: 298-5410

The poster features a green cartoon character with a megaphone at the top left, red starburst graphics, and a green cartoon character at the bottom right.



JUICIES SALE

COME FOR A COLD TREAT IN THE HALL

\$2 JUICIES FOR SALE -
LEMONADE - BERRY - TROPICAL FLAVOURS

**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 28TH
12:30PM (EARLY FINISH)**

The poster includes illustrations of palm trees, a watermelon slice, and various juice cartons. The cartons are labeled: 'The naturally sweet frozen treat', 'real fruit. simple.', 'The original fresh pressed', 'Only good stuff in here', 'Enjoy the simple things', and 'Enjoy the simple things'.



IMPORTANT DATES

28 Jun	School finishes 12.30pm
28 Jun	Student Led Conferences 1-7pm
29 Jun	Y1/2 Conferences 3-5pm
30 Jun	Matariki Assembly 1.30pm
19 Jul	Y7/8 Epro8 - Pukekohe Intermediate 5pm
20 Jul	Y5/6 Epro8 - Pukekohe Intermediate 9am
26 Jul	PTA Oxford Pies Delivery
26 Jul	PTA Meeting - 7pm
28 Jul	Y5/8 Cross Country

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 9	Week 10
R1	Vairaj	
R2	Skylah	
R3	Logan	
R4	Baninder	
R5	Arhaan	
R6	Evan	
R7	Aariya	
R8	Eric	
R9	Georgia	
R10	Aksara	
R11	Aaliyah	
R12	Dylan	
R15		
R21	Yaamin	
R22	Roman	
R23	Adrishia	
R24	Calais-Reign	
R25		
R26	Ngahuia	
Junior Hub	Harper	
Kanuka	Moki-Iti	
Manuka	Jasper	

No Assembly

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If you looking
for Quality
Childcare in
Papakura

Our Reggio Inspired
centre is
located at

429 Great South Road Papakura

Morin is our centre manager; with a highly motivated
ECE qualified teaching team.

We are open Monday to Friday 7 am to 6 pm.



We are inviting our community/
communities into our centre.

Please drop by on
Monday to Friday between
9.30am to 2pm

Call Morin on Ph: 09 217 3165



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