OREWA BEACH SCHOOL NEWSLETTER He waka eke noa: We are all in this together

Kia ora koutou,

Just like that, it's our last full week at school for 2023! This will be our last newsletter for 2023. We would like to thank all of our families for their support in 2023. It has been an interesting year with flooding, water leaks and bomb threats! We've really appreciated your support when these things have happened. We wish you and your families a lovely summer break. Katherine, Murray and Laureen.

Farewell from Mrs Pascoe

It has been my pleasure and privilege to be a part of the Orewa Beach School family for the last five and a half years. Our community has something very special in the way we all look after each other and I'm sure this will strengthen and grow. Your children have made it the best job in the world. My best times have been with your children, thank you for choosing Orewa Beach School and sharing them with us. I wish all the Staff well, who really do work in the best school in the world. Go well!

Farewell to Mr Gillooly, Mr Ross and Mrs Ronald.

We are now able to let our school community know, that we have officially received the resignation of Mr Gillooly, Mr Ross and Mrs Ronald.

Although we will still see **Mr Gillooly** during 2024 in a part time role, he will no longer be in the role of the much valued and loved full time teacher that we know him as being. Terry has been a teacher here at our school for over 26 years and he has made a huge impact on multiple lives of children and their families at Orewa North/Beach.

He is a man who always took such interest in children and their families, always firm and fair in the classroom and a highly skilled teacher who directed and encouraged the best from his pupils no matter who they were. When we have ex students returning to school, they all want to see Mr Gillooly. We wish Terry and his family all the very best for what lies ahead and as a school, we are deeply indebted to the long standing commitment and contribution to our school that he has made.

Mr Ross has been here for three years and he has also contributed to our school in may ways over a short period of time especially with regard to sport, kapa haka and ICT. Hamish has taken up a position of team leader at a school in Christchurch. We wish him all the very best for his future endeavours.

Mrs Lisa Ronald has been an amazing Teacher Aide at our school and she has walked many kilometers as she faithfully kept a watchful eye on our students. We wish her all the very best as she makes her way back overseas to be with family.

Year 6 Camp

We wish our Year 6 students all the best as they head to camp Thursday and Friday.

WHAT'S ON ?

December

- Thur 14th Year 6 Camp
- Fri 15th Year 6 Camp
- Tues 19th Last Day of Term 12pm finish.bg

February

• Thurs 1st February 2024 first day of Term One 2024

Arohanui. Katherine Pascoe - Principal

Wednesday 13th December

Assemblies are by invitation only due to space. Piwakawaka and Kereru assembly is 9:30am to 10:30am. Kea and Weka assembly is 11:30 to 12:30pm. However for Tui assembly everyone is welcome and the times are 1:45pm to 2:45pm.

Monday 18th December

Reports go home and students meet 2024 Teachers.

2023 Touch

Touch officially finished last week and what a fabulous 8 weeks it has been! I would like to commend all 120 of our students for displaying our school values both on and off the field. Congratulations to the following teams for finishing at the top of their pool. Y1/2 Rockets, Y3/4 Colts and and All Stars! Well done! From Mrs Wilson.

Stationery List 2024

Please utilise Qizzle for your child's stationery requests for 2024. For your child's first day please bring books named with first and last name.

Tuesday 19th December

Reminder school finishes at 12pm.



'Tis the season to spread joy and embrace the festive spirit!

We're thrilled to remind you about the upcoming public event, the Kensington Park Christmas Extravaganza, kicking off the food trucks, music and fun from 6pm on the 15th. Get ready for a magical evening filled with dazzling lights, festive decorations, and the warmth of our close-knit community coming together.

Highlights of the Evening:

• Family & Friends:

tis the perfect evening for family and friends to get into the spirit of

• Trail of Lights:

Our park is the best place to ride in the golf buggy or walk around and view some of the amazing lit-up homes. Follow the trail of lights leading to Santa himself!

• Entertainment Galore:

Food trucks, Christmas scavenger hunt, face painters, live band music, games, and much, much more!

Wishing you and your loved ones a joyous and festive holiday season.

Kind Regards, The Kensington Park Team

THANK YOU TO ALL THE PEOPLE A HUGE THANK YOU TO ALL THE PEOPLE AND BUSINESSES THAT SUPPORTED OUR SCHOOL CHRISTMAS FAIR.

NEW WORLD OREWA BAKE AND BREW COMPLETE BEAUTY ISLAND CHEEK & CHONG LIFE PHARMACY KETO BY D DRIFTER LIQUORLAND SIMPSON SCOTT CHARISMA COAST CREAMS RELIABLE CARTAGE STUDIO PILATES SEMOLA ASAHI PAPER PLUS SHOREWARD DEAR COASTIES PUFF CAFE YOGA HOUSE

MILLIES CAFE HELLO DARLING BUCKLE AND BOW LOVE SOUP SOL SHADE PUHOI BLOOMS BROWS BY NIC CANTON FLAVOUR KHOI NAIL SPA

TWIGS AND STICKS MEDIA CHATTY BARBER TRAVERSE LIMITED AKEMI'S GYOZA PRUNG THAI STREETFOOD



A huge thank you to Dave and Collette from FlowFix Plumbing for creating the Teacher Dunk