

# OREWA BEACH SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



Tēnā koutou e te whānau,

We hope you all had a fantastic week! Here's a look at what's been happening at school and what's coming up.

## **Athletics Day Success!**

Last week, we had a very successful Athletics Day for our Weka and Kea students. Some amazing talent was on display, and it was fantastic to see our tamariki having such a fun day. A huge thank you to our parent helpers who made the day run smoothly, as well as the whānau who came out to support. Special shout-out to Mrs. Sarah Thornhill for her outstanding organisation ensuring everything went off without a hitch.

A reminder that Interzone Athletics will be held at Orewa College on Thursday, 3rd April. Good luck to all our competitors!

## **Fluro/Fun Run Fundraiser Launched!**

On Friday, we launched our major school fundraiser for the year – the Orewa Beach School Fluro/Fun Run! This year, we've added an exciting new element: SLIME! Our student leaders bravely "took one for the team" at the launch assembly, getting covered in slime to kick things off. We have some amazing individual and class prizes up for grabs, and one of the most popular rewards is sure to be the chance to slime a teacher of their choice!

This year, we're aiming high with a goal of \$60,000 to help bring our DREAMS Room (Design, Robotics, Engineering, Art, Mathematics, Science) to life. This space will be a creative hub full of hands-on learning and exciting activities.

With the funds raised, we'd love to fill the room with all sorts of awesome resources—microscopes and experiment kits for science lovers, tablets, coding programs, robotics kits for tech enthusiasts, and engineering materials like LEGO sets and simple machine kits. Budding artists could have access to digital drawing tablets, craft tools, and plenty of art supplies, while math whizzes can dive into interactive whiteboards, puzzles, and fun problem-solving games. On top of that, we're planning to include cool extras like 3D printers, a STEAM mini-library, and flexible furniture to make the space comfortable and inspiring. Every student from Year 0 to Year 6 will get to enjoy this space, sparking curiosity, creativity, and a love of learning.

By getting behind this fundraiser, you're helping us make this vision a reality—and we can't wait to see what our tamariki will create, build, and discover!

Join us in making this vision a reality. Every contribution makes a difference!

## **How to Get Involved**

We've partnered with Go Raise It to make collecting sponsorship easy. Each child can sign up for their own fundraising webpage to seek support from family and friends anywhere in the world!

To set up a fundraising page:

- Go to <https://obsflurorun.raiseit.co.nz/>
- Click SETUP A FUNDRAISING PAGE
- Need help? Email [help@raiseitfundraising.com](mailto:help@raiseitfundraising.com)
- Families with multiple children can register all under the same email account.

If you prefer not to fundraise online but still want to participate, please check with the school office for cash collection options.

## **WHAT'S ON ?**

### **March 2025**

- Fri 28th Scholastic Book Orders close

### **April 2025**

- Fri 11th School Fluro Fun Run
- Fri 11th Last day of Term One
- Mon 28th First day of Term Two

### **May 2025**

- Fri 30th Teacher Only Day - School will be closed on this day

### **June 2025**

- Mon 2nd Kings Birthday - no School today
- Fri 20th Matariki - no School today
- Fri 27th Last day of Term 2

### **July 2025**

- Mon 14th First day of Term 3

### **August 2025**

- Fri 15th Teacher Only Day - no school today

#### **Absences**

Please ensure you inform the school of your child's absence due to illness or holidays. If you are unable to let us know through the Hero app, please call the Office on 09 426 4849.

Please be aware we finish school at 2.45 pm. Children need to be picked up promptly. If you cannot be here at 2.45 pm please arrange care at Kelly Club.

## Prizes & Event Details

- We have awesome spot prizes and overall prizes for classes and individuals!
- Keep an eye on Hero and our Facebook page for updates and incentives.
- Fluro Run Event: Friday, 11th April at 1:45 PM – whānau are welcome to join us!

If you know of any businesses that would like to support our fundraiser, please get in touch with us.

## Parking Reminder

We understand that parking at drop-off and pick-up times has been challenging, especially with our school carpark temporarily closed due to the fencing project. Please remember that the Kensington Park private driveway with the residents' washbay is not available for school parking. Thank you for your cooperation in keeping our school community safe. Thank you for your ongoing support. We look forward to another fantastic week ahead!

Ngā mihi nui, Wendy Naidu

### STUDENT EARLY PICK UPS

Please, if your child has an appointment during the school day please arrange to pick up before or after morning tea and lunchtime. Morning tea is 11.00am to 11.20am. Lunch time is 12.50pm until 1.45pm. We are unable to find your child at morning tea and lunchtimes. We have full school assembly every second Friday - the next one is Friday 14th March this starts at 2.00pm and finishes at 2.45pm. Please arrange to pick up your child before 2.00pm if they have an appointment.

Please, if your child arrives late - or you arrive to take your child during school time please always call to the office first. Thank you.

## School Gates

Please be reminded that the school gates close at 8:55 am each morning. As these gates are safety gates, children will not be able to open them on their own. If you are dropping your child off after this time, please ensure that you let them into the school. Please also make sure you close the gate behind you when you leave. Thank you for your cooperation."



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	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
7:00 - 8:15 am	Colouring Comp & Structured Free Time	Lego Building & Structured Free Time	Dance Battle & Structured Free Time	Origami & Structured Free Time	Homemade Muffins & Structured Free Time
8:15 - 8:30 am	Game: Chicken Tag	Game: Tell a Story	Game: Musical Statues	Game: Cinderella's Obstacle Course	Game: Captains Coming
2:45 - 3:00 pm	Sign In & Free Time	Sign In & Free Time	Sign In & Free Time	Sign In & Free Time	Sign In & Free Time
3:00 - 3:30 pm	Intro & Afternoon Tea Noodles & Fruit	Intro & Afternoon Tea Sammies & Fruit	Intro & Afternoon Tea Tomato Pasta & Fruit	Intro & Afternoon Tea Sammies & Fruit	Intro & Afternoon Tea Homemade Muffins & Fruit
3:30 - 3:45 pm	Game: Zip Zap Boing	Game: Rainbow Rush	Game: Crab Football	Game: Tug of War	Game: Jedi Dodgeball
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4:30 - 4:35 pm	Tidy Up	Tidy Up	Tidy Up	Tidy Up	Tidy Up
4:35 - 4:50 pm	Snack Time Baking	Snack Time Raisins	Snack Time Muesli Bars	Snack Time Potato Sticks	Snack Time Corn Things
4:50 - 5:15 pm	Homework & Quiet Time	Homework & Quiet Time	Homework & Quiet Time	Homework & Quiet Time	Homework & Quiet Time
5:15 - 6:00 pm	Game: Campers & Tents & Projects	Game: The Warm Wind Blows & Projects	Game: Train Stations & Projects	Game: What's the Time Wally? & Projects	Game: Zombie Tag & Projects

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8:15 - 8:30 am	Game: Simon Says	Game: Limbo	Game: Musical Statues	Game: Octopus	Game: Red Light, Green Light
3:00 - 3:10 pm	Sign In & Structured Free Time	Sign In & Structured Free Time	Sign In & Structured Free Time	Sign In & Structured Free Time	Sign In & Structured Free Time
3:10 - 3:30 pm	Intro & Afternoon Tea Rice Bubble Cakes & Fruit	Intro & Afternoon Tea Sandwiches & Fruit	Intro & Afternoon Tea Cheerios & Fruit	Intro & Afternoon Tea Pikelets & Fruit	Intro & Afternoon Tea Homemade Muffins & Fruit
3:30 - 3:45 pm	Game: Non Stop Tag	Game: Duck Duck Goose	Game: Zip Zap Boing	Game: Dodgeball	Game: Midnight
3:45 - 4:30 pm	<b>DISCOVERY</b> Foam Slime 	<b>SPORT</b> Water Balloon Dodgeball 	<b>COOKING</b> Rocking Rocky Road 	<b>CRAFT</b> Loom Band Bouncy Balls 	<b>GAME</b> Dino Dig 
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4:35 - 4:50 pm	Snack Time Biscuits	Snack Time Shapes	Snack Time Baking	Snack Time Popcorn	Snack Time Vege Straws
4:50 - 5:15 pm	Homework & Quiet Time	Homework & Quiet Time	Homework & Quiet Time	Homework & Quiet Time	Homework & Quiet Time
5:15 - 6:00 pm	Game: Noodle Tag & Projects	Game: Sleeping Lions & Projects	Game: Rainbow Rush & Projects	Game: Simon Says & Projects	Game: Musical Statues & Projects