OREWA BEACH SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Tēnā koutou katoa,

It's hard to believe we're just three weeks away from the end of the term, and we have a lot happening! This week marks our largest ever contingent of students participating in the Rippa Rugby tournament at Silverdale Rugby Club. We wish them all the very best and extend a huge thank you to all the coaches and managers who have dedicated their time to prepare them.

On Wednesday, we look forward to welcoming new students who will be joining us in Term 3. If you know of any students turning five this year who are considering enrolling with us, please encourage them to get in touch so we can guide them through our enrolment process.

Next week is shaping up to be a very busy one! After months of dedicated rehearsals, our students are ready to transport you to the vibrant world of *Madagascar*! They've been working incredibly hard on their singing, dancing, and acting, and the energy in the hall during practices has been infectious. This promises to be a spectacular showcase of their talent and a truly memorable experience for all. As King Julien would say, "You gotta move it, move it!" Tickets are still available on Kindo for our Matinee performances on Tuesday and Wednesday, and we can't wait to see all their hard work come together on stage.

Please save the date for the Matariki Day holiday next Friday, June 20th, as the school will be closed on this day. To celebrate with our whānau, we are hosting a Matariki morning on Thursday, June 19th, from 8:30 AM. A coffee cart will be on-site for you to purchase a coffee and mix and mingle before our teams put on a mini-concert. Afterwards, you'll be invited back to your child's classrooms to join in with a Matariki activity. This morning runs from 8:30 AM to 10:00 AM, and we truly hope you can make it!

We are also incredibly proud to announce that our junior kapa haka have been invited to perform at the opening of the newly refurbished Ōrewa Library on Saturday, June 28th, from 10:30 AM.

We take immense pride in our Kapa Haka, and in preparation for us hosting the Tū Māia Festival later in the year, we are looking at expanding our collection of uniforms. If you would like to donate towards this, we have added an option to our "Pay it Forward" page on Kindo: "Help every Kapa Haka performer shine with pride! Our goal is to create more beautiful, handcrafted piupiu, ensuring every student can perform in full uniform. Each piupiu is a taonga, expertly made by Whāea Leeanne using our school's special flax garden, which whakapapa back to Dame Whina Cooper. With each piupiu costing \$500, your contribution through our Kindo 'Pay it Forward' option directly helps us reach this goal. It's a powerful way to support our tamariki, empowering them to proudly represent our culture and heritage on stage. Your generosity makes a real difference!

Our staff are currently busy working on your child's Mid-Year reports. I've posted separately on Hero about the format of these reports, as they are quite different from what you received last year. The Ministry of Education has introduced new national curricula for English and Mathematics, which means your child's progress will now be assessed against clear expectations set for their specific year level. This shift might show differences in progress compared to previous years, but it simply reflects the new assessment method and curriculum changes. Your child's interim report will indicate if they are working towards, at, or above their year-level expectations, along with their recent achievements and next steps.

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WHAT'S ON ?

<u>June 2025</u>

- Weds 11th Scholastic Book Orders due
- Thurs 12th June Rippa RugbyTues 17th and Wed 18th
- Madagascar Production • Thur 19 June Matariki Celebration 8.30am to
- 10.00amFri 20th Matariki no School today
- Fri 27th Last day of Term 2

<u>July 2025</u>

- Mon 14th First day of Term 3
 Thur 24th Parent Interviews -Students to go home at
- 12pm.
 Fri 25th Red Nose Day

August 2025

- Fri 15th Teacher Only Day no school today
- Thurs 21st Interschool Hockey
- Thurs 21st Cross Country -Kereru
- Fri 22nd Cross Country -Piwakawaka, Tui, Kea and Weka

September 2025

- Thurs 18th Interschool Cross Country
- Fri 19th Last Day of Term 3

October 2025

Mon 6th First day of Term 4
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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.

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Thank you to everyone who participated in our recent Health Curriculum Survey! Your feedback is invaluable as we continue to develop and refine our health education programs.

- Key Findings:
- Positive Engagement and Satisfaction: A significant majority of parents and caregivers (over 75%) expressed satisfaction or strong satisfaction with various aspects of our Health Curriculum, particularly in Physical Activity and Nutrition, Mental and Emotional Wellbeing, and Relationships and Social Skills.
- Curriculum Delivery and Resources: Most respondents find our delivery methods and resources to be effective, though there's a clear desire for more information and transparency regarding curriculum content. Many parents indicated they "don't know" or are "neutral" about resource effectiveness, suggesting a need for increased communication.
- High Value on Parent/Caregiver Involvement: An overwhelming number of you (over 86%) believe it is important or very important for parents/caregivers to be involved in the Health Curriculum.

Areas for Growth & Suggestions:

- Increased Communication: A recurring theme was the desire for more detailed information about what is being taught and when, including specifics on topics like puberty talks and emotional wellbeing. This would enable parents to better support learning at home.
- Diverse and Contemporary Topics: Suggestions were made to include discussions on internet/social media risks, and neurodiversity. There was also a strong interest in practical health skills like growing food and understanding nutrition.
- Parent Involvement: Parents are keen to be involved through information sessions, workshops, and direct feedback, with a strong emphasis on full transparency regarding curriculum content.
- Addressing Concerns: A few respondents raised concerns about the appropriateness of certain topics at specific ages, the teaching of gender ideology, and the need for clear communication about external groups delivering content. Moving Forward:

Your input is crucial in shaping a Health Curriculum that best serves our students and community. We are committed to fostering a supportive and comprehensive learning environment. We encourage you to review this revised draft statement that incorporates this valuable information.

If you have any further feedback, please email me directly - principal@orewabeach.school.nz by Friday, 27 June. We look forward to continuing this important conversation with you.

Finally, please mark your calendars for our last Teacher Only Day of the year on Friday, August 15th. This day is dedicated to further professional development related to the new Maths Curriculum.

Ngā mihi nui, Wendy Naidu Principal

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 - 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 as we are unable to interrupt the assembly.

As Winter approaches this in turn means rain and mud on the field. Please ensure your child has a change of clothes in their bag. Thank you!

Please, if your child arrives late please ensure your child signs in at the office. If you require to take your child during school time please always call to the office first - we will then page your child. Thank you.





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KELLY CLUB OREWA BEACH UPDATE

What's been happening...

Our theme at Kelly Club for Week 7 of Term 2 is Kids choice week and they have chosen to go all out disney+. We have packed the week full of exciting games, foods and crafts and discovery's see below to see what's in store this week.



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What's happening This week!

		THEME: Kids Choice! Term 2 Week 7, 9th June 2025		Weekly Activities Pla Kelly Club Orewa Beac	
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
7:00 - 8:15 am	Playdough & Structured Free Time	Blooming Flowers & Structured Free Time	Coloring comp & Structured Free Time	Hide and seek & Structured Free Time	Origami & Structured Free Time
8:15 - 8:30 am	Game: Guess Who	Game: Beat the coaches	Game: Tug of War	Game: King of the ring	Game: Wink Wink Murde
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 High Tea	Intro & Afternoon Tea Sushi	Intro & Afternoon Tea Sausage Rolls	Intro & Afternoon Tea Pitas	Intro & Afternoon Tea Cheerios
3:30 - 3:45 pm	Game: Braves Arrows	Game: Woody's Round up	Game: Spidermans web	Game: Car Race	Game: Pin the crown on th Princess
	DISCOVERY What Character are you?	SPORT Ursula Victims	COOKING Potions	CRAFT Sword in the stone	GAME Musical Throwns
3:45 - 4:30 pm	XV) XX	-			
4:30 - 4:35 pm	Tidy Up	Tidy Up	Tidy Up	Tidy Up	Tidy Up
4:35 - 4:50 pm	Snack Time Oreos	Snack Time Vege Chips	Snack Time Popcorn	Snock Time Mini Donuts	Snack Time Homemade biscuits
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: Captain Hooks ship & Projects	Game: Queen of hearts cards & Projects	Game: Story time & Projects	Game: How far i'll go & Projects	Game: Finding Nemo & Projects

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