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Term 1 Week 6
Friday 9 March 2018

From The Principal

Kia ora koutou
A strong element of our school culture here is growing leadership for staff and children. As we implement programmes in our school, we look for ways our curriculum can be promoting leadership. Our play based programme in the junior school for example fosters this. Likewise, the Garden-to-table programme, and our Senior Leadership Camp that Mr Lewis is currently running down at Mount Maunganui. On this camp, the children are immersed in such activities as paddle boarding and kayaking. It is an opportunity for them to bond as a class and build their leadership capacity.

Our school values very much aim to summarise the features of leadership we see as priority. It would be great if you are able to take the time to talk with your children at home and how these values relate to effective leadership:

Ako, Manaakitanga, Rangatiratanga, Whanaungatanga, Kaitiakitanga, Whakaaro.

- *Relating, Caring & Respect (for others and the world)*
- *Leading, Self-Managing, and Responsibility*
- *Belonging*
- *Thinking and Creativity*

Our staff senior management team had a meeting this morning with a facilitator outlining effective leadership strategies that are priority to us as a team, and interestingly we came up with the following that connect closely with our school values:

- *Being Relational*
- *Respectfulness*
- *Open-mindedness and reflection*

- *Enabling a sense of purpose*
- *Being a listener*

Nga mihi nui
Andrew King | **Principal**

Notices

Garden to Table programme

The Garden to table crew are in need of one more volunteer to assist Korimako with harvesting and cooking the produce. Please get in touch with Amandine or the school office with your details so we can let you know the details and times.

Tui Products made a visit to our Kokako Garden yesterday to give some time talking with the children about the use of their products and have provided us with a range of supplies. Thank you Tui Products!

Oropi School new donation box for Produce

A big thank you to Kian Massey (pictured top right), one of our Year 5 students, who has taken the time and used his initiative to build a new donations box for the school produce stand at the front of the school. Thanks Kian!

Easter is Coming

Please note that in addition to Easter Friday & Easter Monday, Tuesday 4 April is also a statutory holiday for all State Schools.

Splash and Dash

Due to an extremely busy term calendar, the 2018 Splash and Dash event is for Year 1-3 pupils only. This duathlon event will be held on Thursday 22 March at 11am. Children will run, swim and then finish with a waterslide. Parents are welcome to come and watch the children participate, and then join your child for lunch afterwards.

The PTA will be organising a sausage sizzle for the **whole school** on this day. Orders can be placed in Kindo.
Sausage sizzle $2, vege / vegan sausage sizzle $2.50, ice block $1.50.
Please contact the office if you are able to assist with the sausage sizzle on the day.

Junior Assembly

Next Friday 16 March at 12pm, the Junior Team are hosting a Learning Celebration Assembly in the Oropi Hall. Children in Tui, Piwakawaka and Kiwi classes are presenting this. Parents from these classes are invited to come and watch.

The other dates for assemblies are
Fri 23rd March (Senior Team)
Fri 6th April (Middle Team, including bilingual class)

Term 2 Bus Fees

Fees for term two are due by Friday 23 March.

NZEI Stop Work Meeting

On Wednesday 21 March there is a stop work meeting for teachers. Oropi School will not close. School will run as usual.

Parent-Teacher Interviews will be held on Monday 19 March - Wednesday 21 March 2018

The purpose of the Term 1 Parent-teacher Interviews are for:

- Talking about how your child has settled and is interacting with his/her peers and the teacher
- Discussing next-steps in learning for your child

As you aware, with National Standards having been abolished, Oropi School will be focusing on discussing your child's progress rather than National Standards data. We continue to actively monitor and assess your child and support them in making good progress in their learning.

Please go to www.schoolinterviews.co.nz and enter the code uhkh6 if you would like to book a time to meet with your child's teacher. Parents are strongly encouraged to attend this meeting.

2018 Teacher Only Days

We are taking this opportunity to give families advance notice of the teacher only days scheduled for 2018. They are as follows:

Thursday 29 March (the day before Easter Friday)
Monday 23 July (the first day of Term 3)

These days are required for all teaching staff who are involved in some Professional Development that is occuring over the year with a facilitator we have been able to access through some Minsitry of Education funding, whose availability is dependant on these dates being scheduled. It also avoids having to fund relievers in every classroom for the two days, which would add a significant cost to our school operations. By scheduling teacher only days, the school is required to add those days at the end of the year, which means our end of 2018 school day will be December 18th.

Music Lessons

Music lessons will start from the beginning of Term 2 in the new Music Room, formerly the caretakers shed, now a fabulous creative hub for all your budding stars!!

Guitar, Singing, and Ukulele group lessons are available to all students except those in Kiwi.
Guitar is only available for children in Year 4 to 8.
Ukulele is available from Year 3 to 8.

Lessons cost $45 per term, for 15 to 30 minutes, depending on ability. These lessons happen in school time and are excellent value for money.

Please click the link below to register for Term 2 music lessons.
http://bit.ly/OropiMusicT218

Please remember to pay your School Donation

We do not automatically invoice for School Donations, there it will not show in Kindo unless you specifically ask to be invoiced. Payment can also be made into the School bank account.

Please remember that your school donation is tax deductible. If paid before 31 March you will be able to claim 33% of these fees from IRD. If you require a copy of your receipt, please contact the office.

We aim to provide the very best learning for your child. In order to supplement our Ministry of Education funding, we ask for a voluntary donation. This donation is voluntary; however, we hope that you will support your child's learning by contributing in this way. Every child in the school benefits from this donation and with your support we are able to maintain and improve our programmes.

If paid during Term One	
1 child	$85 per year
2 children	$150 per year
3 or more children	$195 per year

Payment can be made to the office by cash or cheque, or if you prefer to pay by direct credit, some families find it easier to set up an automatic payment; details of our account are as follows:
ASB 12-3440-0087772-00 - Please use your surname as a reference.

Parking

PLEASE keep the staff carpark clear. This car parking area is reserved for staff at all times.
Please take note of the yellow lines in and around the School. These areas are no parking zones and are in place to ensure the safety of everyone at our School.

Lunches

Pita Pit is available to purchase each Friday by going to www.lunchonline.co.nz
Please remember to update your child's class before you order to ensure it is delivered to the correct classroom.
You can order Pita's, drinks, cookies, or brownie. Gluten free options available.
Orders are made fresh and delivered to School before lunchtime on Friday. Orders must be made online before Friday 9am. If you do not have interest access, please order at the office before Thursday 3pm.

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The online one stop school shop

2018 fees and other contributions are now ready for payment through our online shop hosted at myKindo.co.nz.
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Kindo now offers payment by **American Express**, **Mastercard**, **Visa** or **China UnionPay**, by **internet banking** or by **Account2Account** (managed internet banking). **POLi** is coming soon! Card payments cost 50c+2.5% (a slight increase on last year) but other methods remain free of charge. You are welcome to add funds to your account regularly or in advance, or just pay as you go.

Questions? Go to support.mykindo.co.nz or email hello@mykindo.co.nz

POLi internet banking now available

Internet Banking with POLi is here! Livened at 9am this morning, POLi provides an alternative to Account2Account, and is used by many large NZ businesses and government departments. We believe it will offer a more stable solution than we've been experiencing with A2A. Learn more about POLi here. If you'd like to send information to your parents, suggested wording is below.

Sport Update

AIMS Games

The AIMS Games registration booklet is ready to view. If you have a Year 7 or 8 child who is interested in entering the AIMS, please contact the office to check eligibility and qualifying requirements.

Rippa Ruru Year 3 & 4

Awesome game today again TPS Crusaders. It was a close loss 7 to 6. Our girls dominated and got player of the day. Well done Kiani Lawson-Banks and Carys Barclay.

Oropi / Kaimai Rangers

What a fantastic game this team had last night again WB Keas. They all have a much better concept of the game now and there were some great bursts down the field. We even scored a couple of tries. Yah! Great to see smiles on their faces and a good team spirit. Players of the Day – Jesse Smith, Oropi & Charlotte, Kaimai.

Rippa Tui Year 1 & 2

The team played Tauriko Thunder. The team are working really well together and everyone had a great run around. Good to see an improvement in rips. Player of the day was Ashlyn Wallace.

School Swimming Results

Special mention to the following swimmers who placed 1st – 3rd at the School Swimming Sports on 28th February.

Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	Year 7	Year 8
Archie Montgomerie	Ben Marshall	Jack Cox	Jack Kilfoil	Aanakyn Williams-Harris
Joel Troughton	Ben McKinlay	Tama Pollard	Jonathan Logger	Oli Cox
Jai Henderson	Stephen Maynard-Miller	Jaxon Henderson	Dylan Weston	Ethan Dean
Levi Townley	Luke Gorrie	Jack Kilfoil	Carlie Harris	Mackenzie Gregg
Max McCawe	Sophie Kilfoil	Dakota Williams-Harris	Lucy Wright	Alyssa Fletcher
Lily Smith	Sophia Greer	Saeol Kim	Shilo Green	Elodie Broad
Lyla Courtney	Kate Hodgson	Pippa Montgomerie	Izabella Polomka	
Mikkayla Hawes	Holly Pope	Grace McHannigan		
Vivy Gorrie	Haeun Kim	Kendall Robson		
Lexi Cox	Carleigh Flanigan	Bianca Hawes		

Year 4 – 6 swimmers will be competing at the KRSA competition on Monday 12 March. If you are available to assist with timing on the day, please contact the office.

What's on at Oropi School
Term 1 2018

Week	Dates	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
7	12 March – 16 March	**KRSA - Swimming**		Go Girls Cricket	Top Schools Twilight Gate Pa School Tennis 6 of 8	Pita Pit Lunch Orders due by 9am **West Cluster Swimming** Coast Kids using staffroom after school **Junior Assembly 12pm @ Oropi Hall**
8	19 March – 23 March	UK Rhyme Show Visit **HPV Vaccinations Year 8 's** Parent/Teacher Interviews	**Parent/Teacher Interviews**	**Parent/Teacher Interviews**	Tennis 7 of 8 Year 1 – 3 **Splash & Dash** + whole School PTA Sausage Sizzle	Pita Pit Lunch Orders due by 9am Tall Poppies Swimming Out of zone ballot **Bus Fees due today** **Senior Assembly @ Oropi Hall**
9	26 March – 30 March		**BoT Meeting**	Scholastic order due for Issue 2	**Teacher Only Day**	**Easter Friday**
10	2 April – 6 April	**Easter Monday**	**Easter Tuesday**	Te Kōkako o Otanewainuku Noho	Te Kōkako o Otanewainuku Noho Tennis 8 of 8 Y5/6 Future Champions **New Entrant School Visits 9am - 11am**	Te Kōkako o Otanewainuku Noho Y7/8 Future Champs **Middle School Assembly @ Oropi Hall**
11	9 April – 13 April		BOP Zone Swimming Y7/8 **New Entrant School Visits 9am - 11am**	WBOP Swimming	**New Entrant School Visits 9am - 11am**	Pita Pit Lunch Orders due by 9am **Last Day of Term 1**

What's on at Oropi School
Term 2 2018

Week	Dates	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1	30 April – 4 May		**BoT Meeting**		**New Entrant School Visits 9am - 11am** Ruru & Korimako camp Yr 7 - 8 Technology **NZ Book display @ School**	Ruru & Korimako camp Yr 7 - 8
2	7 May – 11 May	**Final Day: NZ Book display @ School**			**New Entrant School Visits 9am - 11am** Yr 7 - 8 Technology NE VISITS 9am-11am	Scholastic Issue 3 orders due today