

Wednesday, 13 March 2013

Ko te Wenerei, 13 o Maehe 2013



Tēnā koutou katoa

Term 1, Week 6

Our children have had a busy time in the past week with events to support their learning in the classrooms.

Thank you to Hauturu School for kindly hosting our school for the Duffy Theatre. The children were greatly entertained and left with even more inspiration to read.

We truly appreciate John and Sue Burton, along with their many helpers, for organizing the triathlon last Wednesday. It was a great success! Photos and results are in this newsletter.

Yesterday, we had the privilege of attending the poukai at Waipapa Marae. We felt truly welcome and looked after at this special event as you can see in the photos. Just a note that if your child attends any of the other Poukai this week, their absence won't be counted for end of year prizegiving.

Swimming Sports

Next Tuesday, 19th March will be our school swimming sports starting

at approximately 11.30am. Next Friday is the interschool swimming sports for Years 4-8 at the Te Awamutu Events Centre.

Years 1-3 will have normal programme at school.

As per last year, there will be no alternative programme at school for the Yrs 4-8 as they are expected to be at the interschool swimming sports in Te Awamutu.

Otorohanga College Visit and Open Day

On Thursday, March 21st at 9.30am all Year 8 children and their families are invited to attend the College Open day..."the Secondary School experience". Mrs Russell the senior manager Student Wellbeing will host the day along with our Year 9 and senior student leaders. On that day lunch will be provided for all. The day will end at 1.30pm when all students will be dismissed to their parents traveling with them to be returned home. You are all invited; traditionally these days are fun and filled with activities which are designed to help Year 8s begin to feel a little less anxious of the secondary school experience.

Otorohanga College's newly appointed Boarding

House Director, Mr Roy Willison and his wife Caroline, the new hostel day supervisor will have taken up their new positions so they will be visiting Kāwhia School in the week of the 'College Open day'...probably on Monday 18th and Tuesday 19th March. They will talk to you then about the hostel and life within the College.

Novopay

As you will be aware from the news, the new Novopay system has been affecting many schools and we have had more than our fair share of pay issues. Mrs Sherman has worked tirelessly and overtime to try and fix many of the problems we have encountered, but as one is fixed 10 more problems seem to appear. She represented our school in nationwide protest to express how we feel.

It is a very stressful time for many staff but we appreciate the professionalism they have displayed by not showing their stress in the classroom even though they haven't been paid.

Happy Birthday Rachel and Auntie Robbie!

Kia pai tō koutou wiki

Leanne Apiti

COMING EVENTS

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| Thu, 14 Mar | Okapu Poukai |
| Mon, 18 Mar | HPV and Boostrix Immunisation Dose 1 |
| Tue, 19 Mar | Kawhia School Swimming Sports |
| Wed, 20 Mar | Manual—Bus departs 8.30am Jen from Project Energize visiting |
| Thu, 21 Mar | Immunisation Catch Up Day Otorohanga College Open Day |
| Fri, 22 Mar | Yr4-8 Interschool Swimming Sports, Te Awamutu Yr 1-3 stay at school |



Mrs Sherman protesting Novopay



Auntie Robbie sharing her birthday love!

RESULTS—CLUB MUD TRIATHLON—2013

8-10 YEAR OLDS

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| BOYS: | 1 st | Turanga Taylor | 30.20 | 2 nd | Ayden Thomson | 31.05 |
| GIRLS: | 1 st | Bree Scott | 32.33 | 2 nd | Renee Thomson | 38.15 |
| TEAMS: | 1 st | Tautoko Taylor, De Ray and Le Bron Taylor | | | 30.00 | |
| | 2 nd | Tainui and Toko Taylor | | | 32.21 | |

11-13 YEAR OLDS

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|--------|-----------------|---|-------|-----------------|-------------|-------|
| BOYS: | 1 st | Dylan Maikuku | 31.42 | 2 nd | James Scott | 31.52 |
| GIRLS: | 1 st | Leah Knight | 34.25 | 2 nd | Ali Mills | 39.10 |
| TEAMS: | 1 st | Ali Mills, Georgia Dockery | | | 32.32 | |
| | 2 nd | Seth Taylor, Iysac Campbell, Moari Campbell | | | 34.30 | |

A total of 45 children took part. The winner of the bike (BMX Mongoose) spot prize was Georgia Dockery.

Highlights from the Triathlon—more photos on our school Facebook



Highlights from the Waipapa Poukai—more photos on our school Facebook