

Upcoming Events

Thursday October 24

- Yrs 1-4 Swimming
- Slide space to GNS

Friday October 25

- Yrs 1-4 Swimming
- Waterpolo Yr 5/6

Monday October 28

- Labour Day - no school

Wednesday, October 30

- Room 5 Camp
- Fire Truck visit Rm 1&2

Fridays November 8, 15, 22

- Yrs 5-8 Swimming

Fridays December 6, 13

- Yrs 5-8 Swimming

Wednesday December 18

- Last day of school for the year

Other Dates of Note

- Nov 10 - School Gala
- Nov 15 - Ag Day

Swimming Lessons

The two senior classes have swimming lessons starting next week with Wednesday October 20 being the first day of your lessons. Please remember to bring your swimming gear. These lessons are held at Levin Aquatic Centre.

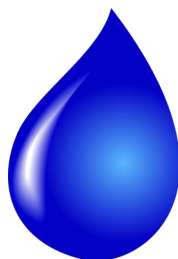


TROPHIES

We are asking for all school trophies to be returned to school asap for all the up and coming events over this term. *Thank you.*

2020 Class Lists

It's that time of year again. We are starting to put together the class lists for 2020. This is always a full-on process as we consider the children's specific needs and the numbers in each of the year levels. Please let Office Deb know if you have any information we should know.



Switch to Water challenge

As a school, we are promoting a 'Switch to Water' drinking challenge. It runs for 30 days from October 21st through to November 21st. There are great health benefits to dropping sugary drinks. Please could parents help to encourage this especially over this 30 Challenge.

School Donations

Have you remembered to pay your school donation? Please check with the office if you are unsure. These are a once a year expense. Your donations help to cover costs at school such as resources used in the class, art equipment, sports gear, and maintaining up keep of such resources.



Reminder: Public Holiday on Monday - Labour Day

School Gala/Country Fair

Sunday November 10, 2019

From 11am - 2pm

Urgently Needed

Firstly, many thanks to the planning team and volunteers who put this major fundraiser together and many thanks to you all for your generosity with the term 3 weekly wish list.

After our planning team meeting last night we have ticked off the organisation for most of the stalls. However, we have identified a number of areas that would benefit from some additional people resources and supplies.

If you haven't been a part of the fair before, now is your opportunity...it is lots of fun and every year the challenge is to beat the previous years fundraising total - 2018 over \$12000.

Volunteers Urgently Needed - We will be shoulder tapping. It is only 3 hours and we are happy to work shifts if you can only give a portion of this time. Deb Feldon in the office is coordinating the list.

We are happy to pick up anything you have to donate :) Items needed for the:

- ☞ **White Elephant Stall** - Good quality 2nd hand items and books
- ☞ **2nd Hand Clothing** - This stall is a real winner for us - Clean 2nd hand items gratefully accepted
- ☞ **Mystery Jars** - This stall just keeps getting bigger. A jar filled with treasure. In the past we have had, small toys, lollies, smellies, hair ties, marbles, cookie baking jars (all ingredients) and many more.
- ☞ **Craft Items** - Any creations that we can add to this stall.
- ☞ **10 Gazebo's** for the gala stalls.

MEGA RAFFLE - Perfect timing just before Xmas! Keep the prizes or share with the whanau.

Tickets available at the school office! \$2 / ticket 3 for \$5 .

Prizes include Accommodation voucher, \$200 transit voucher, Caci Clinic, a Family pass to the AP&I Show, Levin Aquatic Centre family swim passes, movie and coffee vouchers.

And the next list:

Upcoming important dates

Next week - Baking Plates will go home for baking. We send home a plate, you bake, and bring back to school the Friday before the Fair - Friday 8th.

Saturday 9th - SET UP of big gazebos, moving trestle tables 2pm (many hands make this a fast task) bring mallets, hammers and muscles :)

Sunday 10th - Final set up 8am (if you're on a stall, your help with the set is really appreciated)

Please share far and wide

Please share the event on your facebook, twitter etc far and wide the, event link can be found on our Manakau School facebook page. Remember to tell all your friends and family it's a great day out for everyone. The more people through the gate the more funds we raise!!

And lastly, I would like to personally thank all of you who have given your time and will again share your Country Fair expertise. The funds raised allow the PTFA to support our children in so many ways. And lastly, I would like to personally thank all of you who have given your time and will again share your Country Fair expertise. The funds raised allow the PTFA to support our children in so many ways. In recent years this has included, supplying buses for school trips, subsidising additional resources and programmes within the school, paying for visiting performers, resourcing the end of term 'gold ticket draw, board games and additional teacher resources for each of the classes and major projects like the new adventure playground. We really appreciate your support.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Massive Fireworks Display.

Friday 8 November, Haruatai Park, Mill Road, Otaki. Gates open at 6.30pm. Tickets available at: Waitohu School, Kiss and Bake Up Waikanae, Café 66 Otaki, Mobil Otaki, Levin and Paraparaumu as well as at the gate on the night. Pre purchased Tickets - Adults \$5, Students \$5. On the night - Adults \$8, Students \$5 (Preschoolers free). Eftpos available. Car parking available at Otaki College \$5 per vehicle.

Host Families Needed

STS are looking for caring host families to welcome our students from Europe arriving to NZ in January 2020. If you want to experience another culture without leaving NZ contact STS today. Call: 0800 991 991 or email: highschool@sts-education.co.nz

OTAKI SURFCLUB – NIPPER TRAINING

Otaki Surfclub Nippers training every Thursday 7-8pm at Haruatai Pools. If you are 7-13 years old and can swim one length of the pool confidently, just come along and get fit for the beach (sessions start Sun, 10th November). For more information contact Jutta on 021 0395922 or Carrie on 021 775432.

<https://www.otakisurfclub.co.nz>

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/2067217190196025>

Here's some good news for those of you parents with children on iPhones. The latest software update from Apple has made it easier than ever to stay involved with your kids and their devices. There are now in-built functions that let you see how long they're spending on their phones, on what, and even set up limits for their cell phone use .



Exercise class at the Manakau Hall

The classes are being held on a Tuesday morning at 9.30am and Thursday evening at 7pm. They are suitable for anyone (adults only at this stage), and any fitness level. You can contact me at this email address (stephanie@tackup.co.nz).

NZ Police - 105 Non Emergency number

Are you aware that the Police have a non urgent number, for things like: Lost property, theft for a public place or car, intentional property damage, or to get an update or add info to a previous report.

In the event of an emergency, always call 111 for things that are happening now.

“A budget
Is telling your money
Where to go
Instead of wondering
Where it went.”

Dave Ramsey

