

Upcoming Events

Wednesday March 17

- Korimako Cafe

Thursday March 18

- Korimako swimming lessons
- Touch Rugby Otaki

Tuesday March 23

- BOT meeting

Thursday March 25

- Touch Rugby Otaki

Wednesday March 31

- School photos

Friday April 2 - Tuesday April 6

- Easter Weekend

Friday April 16

- Last day of school for Term 1
- Finish at 3.

Monday May 3

- First day back at school for Term 2

From Deb's Desk

Personal Best Always

Last week, for the first time in ages, nearly 30 children proudly put on their Manakau Green and participated in the Otaki touch module. It was awesome to see. This module is all about the children and a have a go attitude was definitely needed. Many thanks to all of the parents, grandparents and extended whanau who made it down to the Otaki Domain to support their children. A big thank you to Nick who took on the job as coach to our Year ½ team.



Otaki Rural Sports Group Athletics

On Tuesday 30th of March, we will be taking a team of students to the Interschool Athletics competition. Selection of these children will be made

from our school-based event, which will take place on Monday the 22nd of March. Covid has put an interesting spin on many of our interschool events and we are really hoping we stay at level 1 for at least the next few weeks. The Kereru and Huia teachers will send out permission slips and requests for transport on Monday after our selection event. Any questions? - please ask your child's class teacher.

SCHOOL PHOTOS - Wednesday March 31

This year we are trialling ordering your child's photos online. Leaflets will be sent home today. If you would like a Siblings form, please ask at the office.



Kahui Ako - Horowhenua Community of Learning

On Friday, we had our first teacher only day of the year. All members of the Manakau teaching and support team spent the day with teachers from the schools who fall under the Ngati Raukawa iwi. It was a fantastic day where we had the opportunity to experience the powhiri process, learn games and songs to take back to our schools and hear some of the rich histories of the Kereru Marae (Koputaroa) and Awahou (Foxton). We really appreciate opportunities like this as it also gives us a chance to connect with our teaching colleagues.



REMINDERS

- ✎ **Board of Trustees nomination forms** have been sent to all eligible voters. If you are wanting to nominate yourself or someone else and your form has not arrived in the post, please speak with office Deb. Nominations forms can be put in the box in the office or posted back to the school by *Friday April 9*.
- ✎ **Touch Rugby Otaki** tomorrow, Thursday March 18, at the Otaki Domain, for the students who have returned their forms.
3.30pm Year 1/2 and 3/4 games.
4.00pm Year 5/6 and 7/8 games.
- ✎ **Lockdown Procedure supply list.** This list was sent home last week. (It can also be found in the newsletter section on our website). Please can everyone provide a named, non perishable item your child is happy to eat cold, utensils if required and a bottle of water. This can be left either at the office or your child's class. We are aiming to have these items before the school holidays, that gives us 3 weeks, thank you
- ✎ **Kawa Kawa Balm.** Available for \$5 from the school office. This is made by Team Korimako.
- ✎ **School Lunches** are available from Manakau Store. Base rate \$5. The store is open from 6am-6pm. Cell 021 117 8878 or email gate28Sonya@hotmail.com
- ✎ **Last swimming session** for the Korimako block tomorrow, Thursday 18 March. Please remember your togs and towels.

What great weather today for the Korimako Block café.

These are photos of the students (and a reading grandie - Ann) preparing for the café day.



COMMUNITY NOTICEBOARD

Childcare needed for Monday and Tuesdays to care for two pre schoolers. Please contact Hayley on 021529974 .

Auditions! Chitty Chitty Bang Bang Jr

Do you have a young person aged 9-14 who loves to perform? Then "Jazz Hands Up" because Pop Up Musical Theatre is preparing to present a fabulous 2021 performance of Chitty Chitty Bang Bang Jr to be performed at the gorgeous Kapiti Performing Arts Centre in August 2021!

This is a great opportunity to learn, grow and perform with other talented Kapiti kids. The team at Pop Up Musical Theatre had fun bringing together last year's performance of Into The Woods Jr in 2020 and can't wait to do it again!

AUDITIONS: 28 March 2021, 2pm at Te Horo School. Email our Directors: jacquisimpson.nz@gmail.com or sarah@ontrackevents.co.nz for an Audition Information Pack and Forms. Audition times must be booked.

The **Arts Society** in Bath Street in Levin has a special painting event on and we would like you to join in.

The event is FREE.
You don't need to be a skilled painter.
You get a free lunch.

This event is on Saturday April 10 starting at 12.30 with lunch and a chat about what to paint on the big boards. The children will do 1 board and the parents will do another. In April the Council will publicly display the boards for all the community to see.

Email Marilyn on ceconfidential@gmail.com or Sandy on sandybuck0@gmail.com

Gardener Wanted: Clear up 1/2 acre section. Will involve shrub trimming and weeding. Phone 06 362 6181.

We are organising and running the next Repair Café in Ōtaki On Sunday 21st March from 10-2pm. A meeting place where people repair things together. You'll find expert volunteers with repair skills in all kinds of areas along with the tools and materials to repair or to help you make any repairs you need.

We can help you with clothes, small furniture, electrical appliances, bicycles, sharpening your knives and tools, fashion jewellery, toys, or anything that is broken or not working as it should.

Please remember to bring replacement items like a zip for garments along!

Nothing to repair? Come along and enjoy a cup of tea/coffee & cake, learn something new, lend a hand with someone else's repair job or browse the Swapping Table.

Best of all it's free of charge! Koha welcome

Cleaning job.

For 2-3 hours a week in Manakau. 022 093 2593 or taramjackson@hotmail.com

Does refusing to go to the gym count as resistance training?

