



Kia ora te whanau,

The Tuia 250 commemoration was an exciting experience for many of our tamariki at the end of last week. The event was extremely well organised by Ngati Hei and the weather gods came to the party as well! Our students did themselves and their school proud as tangata whenua and taking part in the haka powhiri to welcome the Manuhiri. Congratulations to Kyarna, Tyrese, Olivia and Fyn for receiving merit awards for their art pieces that they entered in the Tuia 250 art exhibition.

Have a relaxing Labour weekend with your whanau and enjoy the sunshine!

Nga mihi,

Mr D

## TUIA 250 FESTIVAL

The sun was shining for the Tuia 250 festival at Wharekaho in Whitianga. The manuhiri congregated on the beach and entered the marae with the traditional wero (challenge) put down. The tangata whenua performed the haka powhiri and the whai korero exchanged between the manuhiri and tangata whenua and was tautoko with waiata. Our students had a great day and enjoyed the performances on stage and the hangi in the late afternoon. The day was a wonderful opportunity for our students and one they will remember for times to come.



## PRIZE GIVING TROPHIES

Just a reminder that we need all prize giving trophies in from last year as we begin to prepare for the end of year prize giving. Many thanks.



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## ATHLETICS SKILLS WITH PROJECT ENERGISE

With senior athletics just around the corner, we were lucky enough to have the expertise of Leah from Project Energise who came in and shared some of her athletics knowledge with our tamariki. Students took part in high jump, shotput and discus and were honing their skills for the Opoutere annual athletics day. Hope to see you there.



## WAKA AMA FUNDRAISER

# NACHOS on Tuesday Yummy!

29-10-19

**Kyarna is fundraising for her Waka Ama trip to Rarotonga So...at lunch on Tuesday we will be making NACHOS.**

**Bring your money to school and PRE ORDER from Kyarna before school or at 1st Break on Tuesday Morning.**

**BEEF OR VEGETARIAN  
WITH CHEESE & SOURCREAM**

**\$6**

**XX Salty Mummas**

## SCHOOL PHOTOS NEXT WEEK

Just a reminder that school photos are Monday 4 November. Order forms will be coming home Tuesday next week. If you would like your children to have a sibling photo these envelopes are at the office and available on request. Please return these by Friday 1 November. Please note that sibling photos are only for children at school. Individual and sibling photos will occur throughout the morning. Come to school looking great!

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# OPOUTERE SCHOOL SENIOR ATHLETICS

Our Opoutere School Senior Athletics Day is set for Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> October (Friday Nov 1<sup>st</sup> back up day). At this stage, the weather is looking a little average for the morning and if so, we will try to run some of our field events in the afternoon weather dependant so please come prepared on Tuesday.

Ages are taken as of 14<sup>th</sup> October 2019 (First day of Term 4). This event guides our selection for an Opoutere School team to represent at the Four Schools Athletics Championships the following week at Whangamata Area School. Details for the day are as follows:

9.10 a.m. Assemble for briefing. Hats are to be worn.  
 9.20 a.m. Races (50m, 80m, 200m)  
 10.30 a.m. Morning Tea Break  
 10.50 a.m. Assemble in front of hall

## **FIELD EVENTS BEGIN** (2 attempts and 3 if time allows)

### **ROUND 1 11:00 – 11.25**

8YO	9YO	10YO	11YO	12+ YO
LONG JUMP	HIGH JUMP	SHOTPUT	DISCUS	FUN RACES

### **ROUND 2 11:25 – 11.50**

8YO	9YO	10YO	11YO	12+ YO
FUN RACES	LONG JUMP	HIGH JUMP	SHOTPUT	DISCUS

### **ROUND 3 11.50 – 12.15**

8YO	9YO	10YO	11YO	12+ YO
DISCUS	FUN RACES	LONG JUMP	HIGH JUMP	SHOTPUT

### **ROUND 4 12:15 – 12.40**

8YO	9YO	10YO	11YO	12+ YO
SHOTPUT	DISCUS	FUN RACES	LONG JUMP	HIGH JUMP

12.50 p.m. Lunch  
 1.30pm Back to class (Afternoon Roll / Hats)  
 1.40 p.m. Continue with Field Events (Last rotation)

### **ROUND 5 1:40 – 2.05**

8YO	9YO	10YO	11YO	12+ YO
HIGH JUMP	SHOTPUT	DISCUS	FUN RACES	LONG JUMP

2.15pm Inter House Relays  
 2.30 p.m. Finish

Please feel free to join on us on the day and if you are able to help by supporting a teacher at a field event or with timing during the sprints in the morning we would love to hear from you.

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## CRICKET SKILLS

Waikato Valley Cricket came to teach our students some cricket skills. They did not let the weather stop them and set up in the hall for some inside skill work. They are also offering a 6 session programme for **5 - 8yr old boys and girls**. The Superstar Cricket Academy is an exciting fundamental skills programme to start children on the road towards Black Caps and White Ferns. The cost is \$40, which includes fantastic giveaways consisting of a bat, water bottle, ball, sunblock and a backpack for each participant over the course of the programme. Superstar Cricket will be starting in Whangamata 22<sup>nd</sup> November.

Register now at:

[www.crichq.com/clubs/254501/teams](https://www.crichq.com/clubs/254501/teams)



### Junior Cricket Competition

Registrations are now open for junior cricket players. We are hoping to enter teams at Year 3&4, Year 5&6 and Year 7&8 age groups. Games will be played on a Saturday morning throughout November. If you are interested in coaching or managing a team, please contact Alistair Luke at school, [alistairl@whangamata.school.nz](mailto:alistairl@whangamata.school.nz).

If you have a child who wishes to play cricket please register through the following link:

<https://registrations.crichq.com/register/220473>

## BUS STOP PORT RD

I have recently been in discussion with the manager of Blake Court Motel with regard to some cars parking in the driveway entrance. Please respect the manager's wishes and do not park in his entranceway when waiting for your children at the bus stop. Please also be very mindful of other resident's driveways when parking. Thanks everyone for your support.

## RED T-SHIRTS

We still have a number of Oputere School red t-shirts that have not been returned. Please send these back to school washed and folded. These t-shirts cost the school a lot of money and we therefore need to make sure they are all returned. Please have a good scout around and return them ASAP.

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# CALENDAR

TERM 4	
Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> October	Project Energize Athletics
Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> October	Cricket Taster Sessions
Monday 28 <sup>th</sup> October	Labour Day
Tuesday 29 <sup>th</sup> October	Opoutere School Senior Athletics
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> November	BOT Meeting Assessment Week
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> November	WHOT Athletics
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> November	Thames Valley Athletics
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> November	Yr 8 Teen Esteem
Monday 25 November	BOT Mtg
Tuesday 26 November	Senior Leadership Rainbows End Trip
Monday 2 December	Yr 8 Transition Week at WAS
Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> December	Leaver's Dinner
Monday 9 December	Expeditions
Tuesday 10 December	Expeditions
Wednesday 11 December	Helper's Morning Tea
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> December	Reports Home
Tuesday 17 December	Prize Giving
Wednesday 18 December	Final day of school

All term events are added to the Parent's Google calendar found on our School website.

<https://www.opoutereschool.net/school-calendar>

Please visit this regularly for updates and new events.

# COMMUNITY NOTICES

**Whangamata R.S.A.**  
**HALLOWEEN SPECTACULAR 2019**  
 October 31st, 5.00-7.30pm



- \* Costume Competition
- \* Disco
- \* Hallway of Horror
- \* Photo Stands
- \* Spooky Story Telling
- \* Halloween Dessert Bar/  
Kids Menu (Yings Restaurant)

**\$5 DOOR FEE**

All proceeds go to Whangamata Area School

Tickets on sale now at the WGM RSA  
or from the door on the night!



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**Registration  
Day**

Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> October  
9-11am

**Whangamata Community Pool**

*A brief swimming assessment (for new and existing swimmers) will be carried out in the pool so please bring your togs.*

 Whangamata Amateur Swimming Club
  [swimwhanga@gmail.com](mailto:swimwhanga@gmail.com)

**2019 HOPE WALK**

**Saturday 2nd November 2019**

The Hope Walk is a community suicide prevention movement promoting well-being.

**WEAR YELLOW - The colour of Hope**

**Whangamata Area School Field**

REGISTRATION FROM: 8:30 AM      HOPE WALK: 9:30 AM

FOLLOWED BY:

Free Sausage Sizzle & BYO Picnic  
Music - Activities - Wellness Market - Expo  
Heartfelt messages of Hope - Open Mic  
EMOTIONAL FIRST AID & SELF CARE  
SPOT PRIZES & GIVEAWAYS

A free community event run by W.C.S.T  
- All donations will be used to support our local community