

# OREWA PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER / KAWERONGO 21 October 2024

E mihi ana ki a koutou ngā whānau o te kura nei Greetings to you all, our school whānau

Please be reminded that we have our final Teacher Only Day of the year on Friday 25 October. This day will be split and dedicated to many staff undertaking their First Aid Certifications and updating our staff on curriculum changes/planning for 2025.

#### **Staffing News**

We have a number of staffing announcements that affect the school structure of our school in 2025. Firstly, we have Michelle Middleton who was successful in her application for a study award. Michelle will be undertaking further study in educational leadership. She will be available to work in an intervention role for the first 4 weeks of the year and then she will be studying hard for the completion of her studies. We shall look forward to seeing Michelle develop her skill set in leadership and look forward to her return at the end of 2025.

After over 20 years of service, Mrs Angelique de Jong will be taking refreshment leave in 2025. We shall look forward to seeing the plans and opportunities for Angelique throughout the year ahead and welcome her back in 2026.

We can also announce that Mrs Nicola Smits has accepted a new position at Orewa College. Nicola will be teaching a Year 7 homeroom class from 2025 and she may even be teaching some of her past Orewa Primary students. We wish Nicola the best of luck in her new role for 2025 and in the meantime we can enjoy the last term with her teaching Year 5 at OPS.

#### **New Parent Information Evening**

Please be reminded that on Tuesday 22 October, we are hosting a new parent information evening that caters mainly for our new entrants from Kindy and Early Learning Centres (ECE). If you have young children or you know of any families who are thinking of joining Orewa Primary School in Term 4 or in 2025, please be encouraged to attend this information session. Please **<u>RSVP</u>** to assist with seating arrangements. We shall look forward to meeting our new parents. Ngā mihi nui.

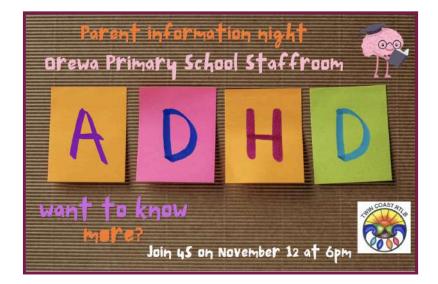


Orewa Primary School welcomes you for an information evening about the early years of school life and how to prepare your child for school. Learn about structured literacy, how you can help your child at home and what you can do to help your child transition successfully from ECE to primary school.

We are supporting the Lions Orewa this year by offering calendars to our school community. All proceeds this year will go to two local organisations: **Orewa Sea Scouts** and **Hibiscus Coast Grandparents Parenting Grandchildren Inc**. The cost is only \$10.00 per calendar and is available to purchase from the school office from Monday 14 October. This could be a good option for a Christmas gift? The special photos taken from around our region are all taken by local photographers.



We are hosting a Neurodiversity Information Evening with a specific focus on ADHD. You are more than welcome to attend with friends and family to find out more about this concept and how we cater for the learning needs of all our students. This event is hosted by our RTLB (resource teachers for learning and behaviour) support staff, Helen Millington and Claire Taylor. Thank you for your support and attendance in advance. Please <u>RSVP here</u>, so that we can organise the right seating arrangements.

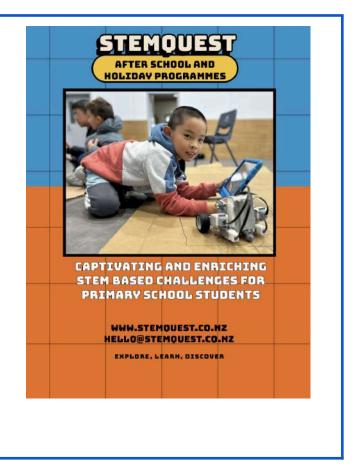




Orewa Primary is exploring the possibility of partnering with STEMquest to provide a fun and engaging environment for your child to explore the exciting world of Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics. We are aiming to launch this exciting After School Programme in 2025. As part of our planning phase we are seeking expressions of interest from the Orewa Primary Whanau. Please complete this <u>Google form</u> by Friday 1st of November.

To find out more about STEMquest check us out at <u>STEMquest.co.nz</u> or on <u>instagram @stemquest\_nz</u>





#### PTA NEWS

### Cookie Dough Fundraiser

Please purchase your Frozen Cookie Dough to help raise funds for finishing the Senior sports turf, funding the end of year 6 fun day and towards a new display screen at the front of the school. These frozen cookies are a great addition to the freezer and so simple to bake as needed. Flavours include: Chocolate Chip, Gingerdoodle (very Christmasssy), White Choc & Cranberry and Rainbow. \$15 for a pack of 18 cookies. To support this fundraiser you can either:

- Set up your own fundraising page on behalf of your child/ren and share the page with family, friends and colleagues. To set up your own page use this link <a href="https://orewaprimaryptacookies.raiseit.co.nz/main">https://orewaprimaryptacookies.raiseit.co.nz/main</a>
- If you don't want to set up your own page but would like to still support the fundraiser, we have created a PTA page where you can buy as many packs as you'd like using this link: <u>https://orewaprimaryptacookies.raiseit.co.nz/pta</u>

Please support this fundraiser so we can achieve our goals. <u>Last day for orders will be Sunday 10th</u> <u>November - so in just 4 weeks!</u>

#### PTA MEETING - this Wed 23rd October at 7pm in the School Staff Room

We will be planning for our End of Year Celebration. Come along to the meeting and share your ideas. It's also a great opportunity to meet some other parents.

#### Sausage Sizzles - change to dates this term

Due to an interschool sports event and some other year 5 & 6 activities we've changed the dates of the sausage sizzles for term 4. Sausage sizzles will be on 30th October, and 6th & 27th November. <u>Orders now open on Kindo.</u>

# SCHOOL PHOTOS

You should all have received an email with your child's unique Key Code to go online to view and purchase 2024 School Photos. Please look out for this email as it may have gone to your trash / spam folder. **\*\*\*FREE DELIVERY EXPIRES Midnight Sunday 3 NOVEMBER \*\*\*** For any queries, please contact Photolife on: *enquiries@photolife.co.nz* 

#### **SCIENCE CLUB**

Science Club this term is for the year 4, 5 and 6 on a Monday from 3.15pm - 4pm with Mrs Cooney.

The cost is \$10.00 for the term and classes will start in week 2 on Monday 21 October in Room 11. Email jcooney@orewaprimary.school.nz to register your child.

# DISCO - Thursday 24 October - MUFTI DAY!

Junior Disco for Rooms 1 - 11 will be held on Thursday 24 October, 12.00pm - 12.45pm. Senior Disco for Rooms 12 - 20 will be held on Thursday 24 October, 1.00pm - 1.45pm.

- Students are invited to wear mufti on the day of the disco.
- Entry fee is \$2.50.
- Pre-paid \$5.00 goody bags can be pre-ordered. (Kindo orders close this afternoon at 4pm).
- \$5 goody bags will include chips, lollies , a chocolate bar and a cookie.

Please be aware, snacks are not intended as a replacement for lunch.

Students are encouraged to bring their lunch to school on their disco day.

Students with allergies please note these food items may contain traces of peanut and dairy.

Students with allergies are encouraged to bring their own snacks.

Please purchase \$5 goody bags and \$2.50 disco entry on myKindo from Monday 14 October. Goody bag sales will close at 4pm on Monday 21 October. All proceeds will go towards the Year 6 Camp.

Thank you for your support!

Important Dates for Your Calendars - Term 4 2024	
Tuesday 22 October	New Parents Information Evening (ECE)
Wednesday 23 October	Inter School Softball - Yr 5 & 6
Wednesday 23 October	PTA Meeting 7pm in the staffroom
Thursday 24 October	Junior Disco (Room 1 - 11) 12pm - 12.45pm
	Senior Disco (Room 12 - 20) 1pm - 1.45pm
Friday 25 October	Teacher Only Day - School Closed
Monday 28 October	LABOUR DAY - School Closed
Tuesday 12 November	Neurodiversity Information Evening (ADHD+)



# 2024 STUDENT LEADERSHIP TEAM

Thursday 24 October 12.00-12.45pm Rooms 1-11 1.00-1.45pm Rooms 12-20

Buy \$2.50 tickets for entry and \$5 goody bags on Kindo Entry fee \$2.50

Pre-order \$5 Goody Bags (chips, Iollies, chocolate and a cookie) on Kindo. Sales close for Goody Bags at 4pm Monday 21 October.

