



**ONEWHERO AREA SCHOOL**

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**Key dates 2018:**

Term 4:

**Friday 16<sup>th</sup> November**

***River Zone Athletics at OAS***

**Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> November**

***Mufti Day & Sausage sizzle plus Juicies***

**Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup>-Friday 7<sup>th</sup> December**

***Year 9 & 10 Camp***

**Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> December**

***Prize Giving 6.30pm***

**Friday 14<sup>th</sup> December**

***Last Day Term 4***

**Principal's Message:**

Ka mihi ki te whānau o te kura o Onewhero,

This week we welcomed a group of Japanese students who are studying the Ainu language and culture. The Ainu people are the indigenous people of northern Japan. The students are looking at the role of Tikanga and Te Reo Māori in Aotearoa/New Zealand society. We held a pōwhiri yesterday to welcome them to our school and look forward to seeing their cultural performance tomorrow.

Thank you to everyone who has contributed to the fundraising effort for the adventure playground. We would like to hold a working bee to do the work on Saturday 1 December at 9am. Please bring along any wheelbarrows, shovels, spades, hammers etc. that you can to help us to restore the playground to its former glory. If anyone has any specific building or other trade skills that would be useful on the day if you could contact me in advance by phone or email.

Exams are now well underway and our students have been turning up well-prepared. Please continue to encourage your children to study hard for their examinations so that they can achieve their very best.

If you are considering going on a school trip or camp over the next year or so and haven't yet been police vetted can I encourage you to come in and get it done. As there is a twenty working day turnaround for applications we would like to get as many people as possible cleared to avoid disappointment at missing out on a trip. Please call in to the office if you would like to do this.

Tomorrow is River Zone athletics so hopefully we will see many of you supporting our young athletes and the fabulous weather holds.

Have a great weekend everyone.

Kia pai tō rā,  
Simon Craggs

**Tumuaki/Principal**

## **Board of Trustees – Newsletter:**

Hi all,

As a new initiative to include our students, whanau and community in what happens within the board meetings, we will be introducing a monthly update in your newsletter of items that we think are of interest to you.

### **Tuesday 30th October**

-A huge thank you to all those who contributed to the fundraising efforts through Ag day....these funds are going to be directed towards the repairs and maintenance of the junior adventure playground so we can get this up and running again as soon as possible.

-A discussion was had in regard to a "Wish List" for the school. As you will no doubt be aware, funds from the Ministry are hard to come by and yet we would still like to keep our school moving forward. It was decided to hold a separate board meeting to solely discuss School Infrastructures and projects, and work out how we are going to fund these. If you have any ideas of what you would like to see in our school please let one of your board members know.

- Our Student Rep, Elliot is well underway developing a student council. Students have put their names forward to represent their peers and voting will take place in the near future to determine who gets on the council. We also wish Elliot the best of luck as he heads to Bluff to board the "Spirit of Adventure" on a 3 day journey.

-The Teachers "Professional Development" proposal. Thanks to everyone who has completed the survey and/or come along to the meetings to have your questions answered. It is still a work in progress and your input is vital to the Boards decision.

### **Outstanding Fees:**

Any fees for the bus, past sports and past day trips are now overdue. Please ensure these are paid to the office or alternatively directly into the OAS school trust account 06 0405 0217064 00. Please state child's name and activity reference.

### **Mufti Day/Sausage Sizzle/Juices**

#### **Fundraiser:**

On Friday, 23<sup>rd</sup> November we will be having a mufti day and a sausage sizzle plus Juicies. Mufti will be a gold coin donation, the sausage will be \$2 and the

Juicies will be \$1.20. Profits will go towards renovating the school's junior adventure playground.

### **Integrated Studies Project - Donations Needed:**

We are a group of year 9 students trying to put together donation boxes for children struggling with poverty in NZ. For our term four project in Integrated Studies our teachers have given us the task to inform and take action on an issue that affects New Zealanders. We have chosen poverty.

We are asking you to please help out by bringing in any toys in good condition that you would love to donate! These toys will then fill shoeboxes which we will be wrapped and delivered to the drop off point for shoebox Christmas. This organisation delivers these boxes to NZ children in poverty.

Please drop off new or second hand toys in good condition to the office by Friday 16th November.

Thank you on behalf of Emma-Nicole, Josh, Layla and Ocean.

### **BYOD:**

Next year we are going to revitalise our BYOD focus. As part of this, we are encouraging all students from Y3 - Y13 are encouraged to have their own device.

To support this change, we are looking to purchase some device lockers that will allow students to lock their device away when it isn't being used for example PE lessons. We have also won a bid for funding to support teacher professional development.

BYOD is currently the only way that we can ensure that all students have access to devices to support their learning and enable them to access learning at home and at school.

We have approached a few suppliers for Chromebooks and have decided to use Harvey Norman as a supplier. The key reason for this is that if a students' device was purchased along with the insurance plan, they will loan a device while repairs are being made. They were the only provider that could do this. To purchase a device through Harvey Norman, please take the flyer into the store and they will ensure you get the discounted rate.

Teachers will no longer be booking devices for classes in the short term. All of the school devices will be reallocated to students of families who are experiencing financial hardship, who complete the

application form and agree to the acceptable use and damage of school property policies.

A warning about Stream Laptops . . .

Streams are an entry level laptop, and as such are easy to carry and relatively well priced.

BUT we are finding THEY DON'T WORK RELIABLY WELL on OAS Wifi, and ARE NOT FUTURE PROOF

Streams do not have enough Memory and space to upgrade Windows 10, and so have a limited life.

**For use at OAS you are much better off buying and using a Chromebook.**

If you already have a Stream, keep bringing it to school and keep using it, but don't buy a new one.

Stationary Warehouse have been asked not to advise Streams for our students.

### **OAS School App:**

To keep totally informed please check that you have subscribed to all the alert groups that could relate to your child.

### **Onewhero Netball 2019:**

We are seeking expressions of interest from coaches for our 2019 netball season. If you are keen to coach or manage, one of our many year 3 – year 13 netball teams next season, please let Anke van Dijk know.

If you are one of our senior players, or you are new to coaching, but are keen to learn and develop as a coach, we would love to hear from you too. We have exciting plans for coach development and support for newbies next year.

[A.vandijk@onewhero.school.nz](mailto:A.vandijk@onewhero.school.nz) or text 021482990

### **Onewhero Netball survey:**

Can all players, parents and coaches please fill out the 2018 netball survey.

Please find the link on our school's face book page or

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/ZJWY8W9>

Thank you

Anke van Dijk

### **Driving Programme:**

Holden Street Smart is a world-class, cognitive based driver programme that aims to positively influence the lives of young kiwis across the country. This is a one-day event providing young drivers and their

parents/caregivers the opportunity to undertake supervised driving practice. There is a focus on developing good decision-making strategies for safe driving, including assessing themselves, reading the road environment, resisting peer pressure, managing or eliminating distractions and planning ahead.

The Programme takes place in safe, controlled, off-the-road environments, under the watchful eye of qualified coaches plus the parent/caregiver. This provides the parent the opportunity to also assess themselves, in order to be a better coach and mentor to their teen.

Holden Street Smart will be delivering it's programme again during the upcoming School Holidays at Hampton Downs Motorsport Park on Friday 30<sup>th</sup> November. Registrations are open for only \$49 at [www.holdenstreetsmart.co.nz](http://www.holdenstreetsmart.co.nz)

### **Year 11-13 Workshop/Study at School:**

Students coming into school for workshops or study sessions please sign in at the office and need to be in school uniform.

### **PTA Group:**

If anyone is interested in re-starting a new PTA group please contact Simon Craggs.

### **Returning 2019:**

If your child is **not** returning to us in 2019 would you please notify the school office with their name and where your child is moving on to:

[office@onewhero.school.nz](mailto:office@onewhero.school.nz)

### **Uniform:**

Uniform is for sale at The Warehouse in Pukekohe. The following uniform is still available at a discounted price at the office.

#### **Junior**

Polar Fleece Vests (size 8, 10) \$15.00

Cargo Shorts (size 4 only) \$22.86

Culottes (sizes 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14,16) \$26.53

#### **Senior**

Polar fleece sweatshirts (size L only) \$35.60

Boys Zip front shorts 10, 12, 14, 16 (76, 80, 88, 92, 96, 100, 104, 108, 112) \$22.48

Boys & Girls poly cotton trousers (sizes 76, 80, 92) \$30.63

Girls Poly viscose skirt (sizes 52, 57, 92, 97) \$39.19

Girls short sleeve white blouse (sizes 10 only) \$30.45  
Boys short sleeve white shirt (size 12 only) \$33.94  
Boys & Girls Blue Poly Cotton Polo Shirt (sizes M, L)  
\$25.90

## **Community Notices:**

### **Looking for help please:**

Due to a change of circumstances my son will no longer have a ride back to Pukekohe in 2019. Is there someone that comes to Pukekohe each day that could bring him back? Happy to contribute to fuel costs.

If you are able to help please let me know

Thanks Leanne 0211762349

### **OAS Early Childhood Centre**

New rates for 2019 - see N34 / 14 November attachments.

### **Bromley Park:**

Poultry Farm Workers needed! \$17.00 per hour. Full-time, weekend and casual work available. Great team and benefits. Due to biosecurity requirements, applicants must not have any chickens, birds or pigs at home. Apply now to: [hr@bromley.co.nz](mailto:hr@bromley.co.nz) or visit us on Facebook at Bromley Park Hatcheries Limited.

### **Orienteering:**

Counties Manukau Orienteering Club run a Summer Series on Wednesday afternoons / evenings throughout this term. Starts from 4.30pm to 6.30pm but don't leave it too late in case they pack up early. Each one is at a different park around Pukekohe. Just turn up, pay and run. Whole family welcome. See attachments folder for flyer.

## **Please see attachment folder for:**

- Orienteering – see N32 / 31 October attachments.
- Harvey Norman BYOD Flyer – see N34 / 14 November attachments.