

Newsletter



"Growing Great People"
Te Whakatipu Tangata Nui

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Kia ora Ormond School Whānau

As we settle into this term, I wanted to delve deeper into our term inquiry focus: Kaitiaki of Ourselves and Our Hauora. This term, we are exploring what it means to care for ourselves and each other, understanding that a healthy and well child is a child ready to learn and thrive.

Our exploration will be grounded in the Te Whare Tapa Whā model of health and wellbeing. This holistic framework, developed by Sir Mason Durie, emphasises four key dimensions that are interconnected and essential for overall wellbeing:

- Taha Tinana (Physical Wellbeing): This encompasses our physical health, including nutrition, exercise, sleep, and overall bodily wellness.
- Taha Hinengaro (Mental and Emotional Wellbeing): This focuses on our thoughts, feelings, and emotions, and how we manage them. It includes our ability to cope with stress, build resilience, and maintain a positive outlook.
- Taha Whānau (Social Wellbeing): This highlights the importance of strong relationships with whānau, friends, and the wider community. It emphasises belonging, connection, and social support.
- Taha Wairua (Spiritual Wellbeing): This involves our connection to our values, beliefs, and sense of purpose. It can encompass cultural identity, connection to nature, and personal spirituality.

We'll be exploring how these dimensions interlink and influence each other. For example, when we prioritise our physical wellbeing (Taha Tinana) through exercise and healthy eating, we often experience positive effects on our mental and emotional wellbeing (Taha Hinengaro). Similarly, strong social connections (Taha Whānau) can provide a sense of belonging and support, contributing to our overall wellbeing.

This concept of total health and wellbeing aligns well with our holistic view of education and our vision of "Growing Great People." By fostering a deep understanding of Hauora, we aim to equip our tamariki with the tools and knowledge they need to thrive, not just academically, but in all aspects of their lives.

Over the past few weeks, we've witnessed fantastic displays of our students' abilities and our community's spirit at numerous sporting events. It has been wonderful to see Te Whare Tapa Whā being brought to life in these extra curricular activities.

- Our students and community continuing to build Ormond School's Taha Wairua (school spirit and personification of our values).
- The creation of strong and positive Taha Whānau (relationships) through teamwork and support.
- Students actively and positively managing their Taha Hinengaro (emotions and behaviours), demonstrating good sportsmanship as well as respect and compassion for others.
- Everyone engaging in Taha Tinana (physical activity) and enjoying the benefits of exercise.
- We build this strong Whare from the base (Whenua) of our schools and communities identity, character and vision.

We encourage you to engage in conversations with your children about their learning and explore ways to support their Hauora at home. Together, we can create a nurturing and supportive environment where every child can flourish.

Ngā mihi nui

Shane Hooks (Tumuaki /Principal.)

F.L.A.X Award Recipients

HUNTER



Hunter, we really love the way you have been trying your hardest in the classroom and really embracing the learning pit, facing it with a positive learning focused attitude. Your positive attitude really shines through when you are encouraging your peers to also never give up and get in the learning pit. We are also so proud of the way you have started to come into the classroom by yourself confidently, showing you are ready for learning.

BELLE

Belle, you have settled into Karaka quickly, making new friendships easily and we love your positive attitude towards your learning. We have noticed what a kind and thoughtful person you are to others in our class and also that you work hard to grow your brain and challenge yourself in literacy and numeracy. Keep up the good work Belle, you are a Powerful Learner Superhero, ka pai tō mahi



CASEY



Casey it was great to see you step out of your comfort zone and represent Ormond School at the Supersmash Cricket Festival this week. You gave everything a go, batting, bowling and fielding, being a valued member of your team. Powerful Ormond School learners do this, they try new things and work collaboratively with others. This is just the start for you and I can't wait to see what else you will try. You are soaring to the moon Casey, Ka rawe

SHAYNE-MARIE

Shayne-Marie, this week you have shown incredible focus and determination. You were away for a week and have caught up on classwork and even reminded your teacher of things you needed to complete! With courage, you gave Cricket a try, and you were a natural bowler! You've proved that you can achieve anything you set your mind to. Ka mau te wehi!



TIDY KIWI AWARD - WEEK 6

Karaka



Extra-curricular

SCHOOL TRIATHLON

A huge congratulations to all of our students who participated in our Triathlon! It was a fantastic day filled with energy, determination and incredible sportsmanship. We were so impressed by the effort put in by every single student, from the first to the last finisher.

One of the highlights of the day was the incredible support shown by our students for one another. The cheering and encouragement were truly heartwarming, creating a positive and uplifting atmosphere for everyone involved. It was wonderful to see the entire school community come together!

INTER SCHOOL CRICKET

It was a brilliant day for Ormond School at the Inter-school Cricket on Wednesday! We managed to take three teams to the event and each team was outstanding! Upholding our school values on and off the field - we couldn't be more proud. For some students, this was their first formal cricket game / tournament - we witnessed great courage, effort and participation. For others, who are experienced Cricket players - we witnessed brilliant leadership, support and encouragement for others around them. Well done students. A huge thank you to our adults who helped transport our teams and who supported the kaupapa on the day. Thank you to Tim for jumping in as coach of one of our teams and to our two amazing teachers - Mrs Thompson and Koka Ange who made it all happen.

Whiti Ora Tairawhiti - Healthy Active Learning.

We are extremely fortunate at Ormond to be part of the Healthy Active Learning kaupapa - which is delivered through Whiti Ora Tairawhiti. We have Cristal Kemp who works alongside us to help us deliver a rigorous Health and PE program and add many learning opportunities to our kura. They are currently asking for feedback / evaluation of the program. If you could take the time to fill out the survey linked below - it would be greatly appreciated.

[Health Active Learning Survey](#)



Key Dates Term One

- 19th March - Inter School Swimming
- 26th March - Inter School Triathlon
- 2nd & 3rd April - Whanau Aspirations hui
- 8th April - Snorkelling - Rimu & Pōhutukawa
- 7th April - Weetbix TRY challenge
- 9th April - Kōwhai & Karaka Firewise Programme.
- 10th April - Inter School Rippa Rugby
- 11th April - Inquiry learning celebration / Last Day of Term

Note: Depending on circumstances we may not attend all events. Dates are subject to change.



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ORMOND SCHOOL LEARNERS ARE GREAT PEOPLE WHO ARE:

**Communicators, Collaborative, Connected,
Confident, Thinkers, Self managers, Shows
Perseverance**

Don't forget:

**OUR 4 R'S
AT ORMOND SCHOOL ARE:**

**RESPECT
RESILIENCE
REFLECTION
RESPONSIBILITY**

When we are using these 4 values, we are
BEING A GREAT PERSON!

ORMOND SCHOOL TRIATHLON



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Guitar Lessons at Ormond School

We are excited to offer guitar lessons at Ormond School, run by Ricky Boyd of The Band School. Ricky last came in 2024 and has wrangled some free time to come back in 2025. These lessons provide a fun and structured way for students to learn guitar in small groups.

DETAILS:

- When? Thursday mornings during school hours
- Who? Small groups of 4-6 students, grouped by age
- Instruments? The school has guitars available, but students can bring their own
- Starts: Thursday 20th March
- Cost? term 1 is \$40 (due to late start); ongoing terms are \$100 per student
- End-of-Year Concert! All students will perform at a special concert
- Sign Up & Payment: All sign-ups and payments will be handled through the Band Schools website:

www.thebandschool.co.nz/ormond

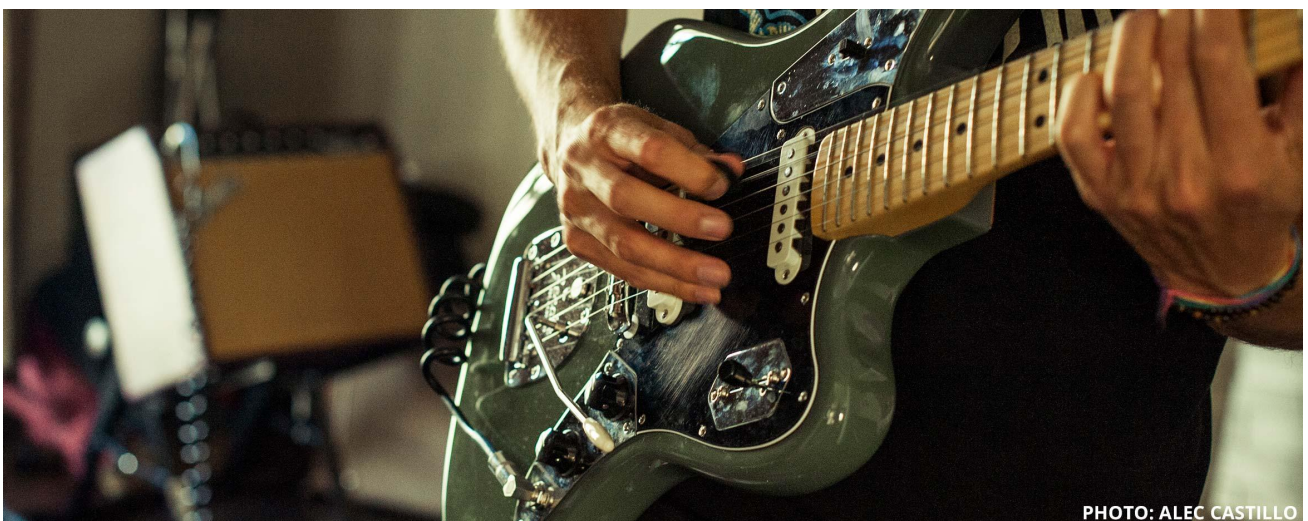


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NOTICES & UPDATES

Touch Rugby Draw

The touch rugby draw can be found on the organisation facebook page each week. Please see direct link here:

Touch draw = [Turanganui a Kiwa Touch Association](#)

Aspiration hui & Inquiry learning celebration dates.

Our Aspiration hui will be happening on Wednesday the 2nd and Thursday the 3rd of April. The following week we will have an end of term inquiry learning celebration, where students will have the opportunity to share their learning with whanau - this is set for Friday the 11th of April. Further details around these two events will be communicated in our next newsletter. For now - please save the dates!

Streamlining communication

From the start of term two, all communication regarding your child's learning will be via the SeeSaw platform. All other communication regarding administration, events, sports, opportunities etc will be via our Skool Loop platform / app. This means, that for the majority, we will be replacing hard copy notices and permission forms, with digital notices and online google permission forms. This will not only be good for the environment, but also streamline our organisation behind the scenes and enable us to better plan opportunities for our tamariki. Please ensure you are connected with the SeeSaw and Skool Loop platforms. If you have any questions or queries regarding this shift, please contact us.



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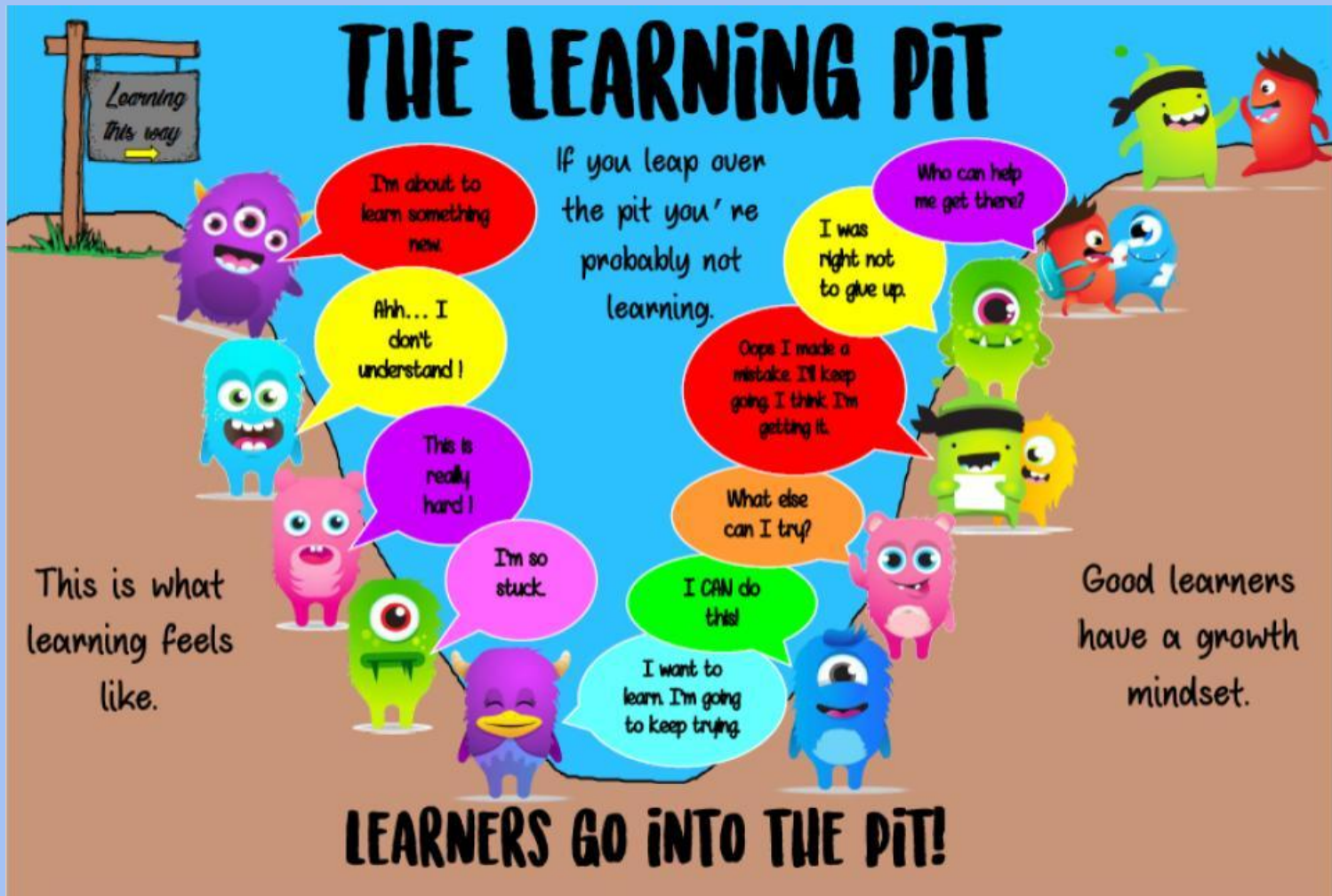
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**Kia pai
tō rā
whakatā**

**Have
a great
weekend!**



Gisborne Unity Theatre

Adapted by Alannah O'Sullivan
from the book by Spike Milligan

Badjelly the Witch

Directed by Jill White

14 - 22 March 2025

Evenings 7 pm

Matinees 3 pm



"Song lyrics by John Cairney. Music by Geoff Davidson"

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