

Newsletter



"Growing Great People"
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Kia ora Ormond School Whānau

What a wonderful success our Aspiration Learning Hui were! It was truly heartening to see so many parents, caregivers, and whānau join us for the student-led learning meetings on Wednesday and Thursday afternoons/evenings. Our students have been buzzing, sharing how much they enjoyed having their families present.

These hui provided a fantastic opportunity for our students to showcase their hard work and progress. Crucially, it empowered them to lead their own learning. This ability to articulate their successes, identify their next steps and understand how they learn as they progress forward is key to their development as confident, lifelong learners.

It was clear that they were very proud as they shared their learning journeys, and this experience builds their confidence and self-belief. Knowing that their loved ones care about their education and are proud of their efforts makes a big difference.

A huge thank you is extended to our dedicated teachers, who drove this kaupapa and continue to do an exceptional job with our tamariki. Their commitment to fostering a positive and supportive learning environment is outstanding. Not much happens by chance and a lot of the great things that happen at Ormond are due to the explicit and deliberate actions and efforts from our staff - well done.

Looking ahead, we have our Inquiry Learning Celebration next week, on Friday the 11th of April. Please add this to your diaries. Come along and check out our students inquiry presentations and enjoy a shared picnic with our school community. We hope to see a big turnout of whānau - it will be a fantastic end to a brilliant term.

Enjoy your weekend!

Ngā mihi nui,

Shane Hooks

Tumuaki /Principal.

**Kāhore taku toa i te toa
takitahi, he toa takitini**

*We cannot succeed without the
support of those around us.*

- famous Maori saying

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F.L.A.X Award Recipients



CORBAN

Corban, you have been doing amazing this term! It is like you have figured out how learning works, and now you are sailing ahead! You have persevered getting out of the learning pit with your sounds. As a result you can now slide sounds together to read words and segment words into their separate sounds to write them. It is awesome to see how happy you are when you use your skills successfully to read those decodable readers. Plus, it is great to hear from Mum that you are having fun learning and practice at home! Kei runga noa atu koe! Keep up the great work.

GEORGE

George, this week we have seen what a Powerful Learner Superhero you can be! You have been so focussed on all aspects of your learning, putting time and effort into your Writing and producing high quality mahi and working hard and persevering when learning new and challenging concepts in Maths. You have been engaged in our Inquiry learning and super keen to be part of discussions, sharing your opinions and listening respectfully to others. You have been a great role model for others at mat time and keen to help when it's time to clean up. Keep up your super attitude George, ka pai tō mahi!



WYATT



Wyatt you are an organised learner who comes in each day with a smile and then you get yourself ready for the day. You give everything a go and have grown in confidence through this term. You are ready to help others and teach them, especially when it is something you already can do. You have a great attitude to your learning which shows you are a Powerful Ormond School Learner. Keep this going Wyatt. You are soaring to the moon, Tu meke!!!!

JAMES

James you are someone who always puts their best foot forward. This week you have stood out for the extra effort and focus you have put into your inquiry project. You demonstrated excellent time management and made great improvements by incorporating feedback to refine your work. Fantastic effort! Ka pai tō mahi!



TIDY KIWI AWARD - WEEK 9

Kōwhai



UPCOMING SPORTS & EVENTS...

INTER SCHOOL RIPPA RUGBY

Inter School Rippa Rugby.

On Thursday (10/4/25) our school Rippa Rugby teams will represent Ormond at the Inter School Rippa Rugby competition. The event venue is Waikirikiri park. We will leave school at 8:15am to give us plenty of time to get ready and organised before our first game. The tournament will start at 9:30am. Good luck Ormond!



WINTER SPORTS / TERM 2 EVENTS.

Last week an email was sent out (25/3/25) regarding some information for upcoming winter sports and term two events. If you didn't catch it via email - please click on the link below to access the information pānui. Fill out the google forms (embedded in the information pānui) if your child is interested in participating.

[WINTER SPORTS / TERM TWO OPPORTUNITIES](#)



**Tuesday 8th April from 11.30-12.30
at Manutuke School.**

We will bus from school at 10.30am, returning at 1.30pm. Please let your child's teacher know if you are taking your child home after the event.

Children will receive their try t-shirts on the morning.

Please bring a water bottle and a change of clothes - they may get wet!

YOU ARE INVITED TO OUR INQUIRY LEARNING CELEBRATION

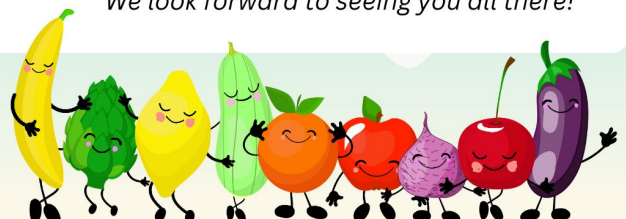
Please come and see what we have been learning in our inquiry, Kaitiakitanga - Taking Care Of Ourselves and our Hauora, this term.

Date: Next Friday 11th April

Time: 11:45am

After the presentations in our classes, please bring a plate of healthy kai to share for our picnic under the trees at 12.30. This will be followed by a fun game involving our whole school and whānau!

We look forward to seeing you all there!



INQUIRY LEARNING KAUPAPA...

Inquiry learning Term 2: We want you!

Next term our inquiry learning focus topic is: Kaitiakitanga - Taking Care of Our Environment

Our school wide key understandings that we want all our tamariki to understand by the end of the term are that:

- We hold responsibility for and have an impact on our environment.
- Our actions have positive or negative consequences for our environment.

Students will be exploring, researching, investigating in order to build their knowledge within the kaupapa - by finding answers to questions such as:

- What are some key indicators of a healthy environment?
- How can we minimise our waste?
- How can we be more Sustainable?
- What positive actions can we take to look after the Hauora of our environment?

We would love you, as our community, to be actively involved in our learning. If you have any ideas of activities / possible excursions / resources that could be used to enhance our students' understanding of these concepts - we would love to hear from you.

If you have certain expertise that you are open to sharing with our students - perhaps by coming into kura and sharing your knowledge - please let us know!



SCHOOL GARAGE SALE

At the end of the term we are cleaning out the kura of any items we have not used for an extended period of time (or that have been replaced). These include things like desks, seats, tables, bookshelves, bench tops, cabinets, whiteboards etc. If anyone has use for these items, please feel free to pick them up at the end of each school day on Wednesday, Thursday or Friday. If you wish to give a koha for any items please do so at our front office.



Key Dates Term One

- 8th April - Weetbix TRY challenge
- 9th April - Kōwhai & Karaka Firewise
- 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.

GROWING GREAT PEOPLE TE WHAKATIPU IWI NUI

**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!

MUSIC and Kapa Haka



IMPORTANT NOTICES & UPDATES...

Touch Rugby Draw

The touch rugby draw can be found on the organisation facebook page each week. Please see direct link to the touch associations facebook page here: [Touch Draw](#)

School Pool

Our school Pool will close as of the end of the term - Friday the 11th of April. Thank you to those families who supported the kaupapa this summer and purchased a pool code. The pool will open back up come Term 4 - as the warmer weather returns.

Sports Uniforms

We are looking to do a stock take of all our sports uniforms. If you have any Ormond Sports shirts / shorts / jackets etc, please return them to kura. They are a valuable asset and we seem to be missing a lot at present. Thank you!

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 or email. If you have any questions or queries regarding this shift, please contact us.

Lost property

We have an amazing amount of lost property at school. If your child is missing an item of clothing, footwear, drink bottle etc - please check the lost property box before the end of the term to collect.



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A FOREVER LANGUAGE
KIA KAHA TE REO MĀORI

**Ko ngā pae tawhiti whaia
kia tata, ko ngā pae tata,
whakamaia kia tina**

*The potential of tomorrow depends
on what we do today*

~Whakataukī~
(Māori proverb)

COMMUNITY OPPORTUNITIES & HOLIDAY PROGRAMS.



HAVE A GO DAY

Sunday 6th April



12 – 1.30pm open day
2pm club racing – stay and watch or have a go

Gisborne BMX Track
47 Lytton Rd

Gisborne BMX

HAVE A GO AT...
Basic Bike Skills
Track Riding
Gate Starts

CHECK OUT...
Real BMX Racing

! Have a go on one of the Club's BMX Race Bikes

NEED TO KNOWS

BRING A BIKE – any bike, doesn't have to be a BMX

Must Wear

- A Helmet
- Covered shoes
- Long Pants
- Gloves
- Long Sleeves

ALL AGES & ABILITIES WELCOME

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TERM 2 DEVELOPMENT GAMES

GRADES	FRIDAYS
ILMINSTER YEAR 4-6 GIRLS	
ILMINSTER YEAR 4-6 BOYS	
ILMINSTER YEAR 7-8 GIRLS	
ILMINSTER YEAR 7-8 BOYS	

START MAY 16
6 WEEKS
\$50

REGISTER NOW



32 PARTICIPANTS PER GRADE
MORE INFO IN REGO FROM



APRIL HOLIDAY PROGRAMMES

SKILLS FUN GAMES

Year 3 & 4
Mon 14 - Tues 15 April 9:30-2:30pm

Year 5 & 6
Wed 16 - Thurs 17 April 9:30-2:30pm

Year 7 & 8
Tues 22, Wed, 23, Thurs 24 April - 9:30-2:30pm

All sessions @ Ilminster Gym
Bring snacks, lunch & your water bottle

\$20 Per day.
Girls & Boys welcome

Register online: www.sporty.co.nz/gisbornenc



3 DAY HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

 **Mon 14th - Wed 16th April 2025**
Childer's Road Reserve, Disraeli St

 **9.00am - 3.00pm**
Girls and Boys aged 6-12
\$95.00

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