Mission statement: "Iti rearea teitei kahikatea ka taea"

Even the small rearea bird can ascend to the great heights of the Kahikatea tree
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Term 1, Week 9, 2023

Tēnā koutou katoa,

Thank you also to those who have helped out around our kura and made this term so successful to date. This term has flown by and planning a preparation is well under way for term 2. Our topics for term 2 are "Dance", and "Changes in Matter" which will have a distinct science "hands on", experimental element.

Teacher only day Mon 24 April:

The BP whanau Akoranga schools and staff will be taking part in an exciting localized cultural experience on Monday 24 April. We will be visiting Takapunake and Onawe and involving Sam Hampton- looking at our localized curriculum in and around the peninsula and how we can use this environment to shape learning. The following day is ANZAC day so the term break is being extended.

End of term assembly:

We will be holding our end of term assembly on Thursday 6 April commencing at 2:00pm. Everyone is welcome to come along. An afternoon tea will follow this.

Digital Decade photos for sale:

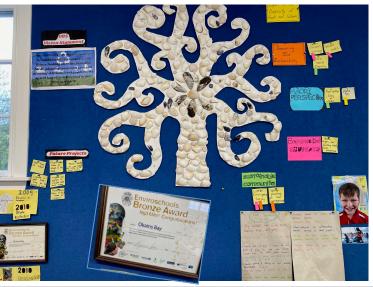
Our kura is selling decade photos (digital copies only) for those who may want a copy. If you came to our 150^{th} and had your photograph taken by Ken Baker, you may want to grab this once in a lifetime photo. Copies of these digital only photos are \$10. The school bank account details are 12-3148-0263863-00. Please reference with your name and email the school office at office@okainsbay.school.nz and we will email you the decade(s) photos you want. This is a fundraiser for our kura.

Have a superb and a safe weekend.

<u>Te rangimarie ki a koutou</u> Colin, Jade, Krystal and Deb

Enviroschool Vision Mapping at Okains Bay School

We have had Toni from Enviroschools with us on Monday this week helping us create an OBS Vision Map that will grow with our school over the years and be a centerpiece that we use to direct our future enviro projects. We are currently working on our timeline and hope to have this finished by the end of this term. Thank you Packy for nailing our "OctoTree" in place. The kids loved making the tree from shells collected down at the beach last year.



Okains Bay Community news!

All of our information is also pushed through the Skool Loop app. Please download this app and follow the instructions to stay up to date with what's happening at Okains Bay School.

Downloading the Skool Loop app - a step by step guide

Once you have downloaded the Skool Loop App, via either your Google Play or App store, please follow the below instructions to select your school -

- Open the Skool Loop App you will land on a welcome page.
- Click the 'Select your schools' this will bring you to a menu you can either search your schoor follow the country/region prompts.
- Once you reach your school, select it with the tick on the righthand side.
- Tap the 'select schools' button in the top right corner.
- Tap the big orange choose button. This will load your school and bring you to the settings page
- Subscribe to the groups that are relevant to yo then click the 'go back' button on your phone, which will bring you to the main screen of you schools app.





150th photos available to purchase:

Ken Baker Photography has superb 150th celebration photos for sale. There is a wide range of family photos for sale. A link to these photos can be found on our website, Facebook page, and in the email attached to this newsletter.

Firewood fundraiser:

Pete Thelning has firewood for sale. Get in quick for winter!! Pete is asking for a \$100 donation and this will go towards the school camp later this year. You can ring Pete on (3048602). You will need to take your own trailer and fill it.

150th celebration books:

We have limited copies of this beautifully crafted book for sale. Thank you to Howard Pettigrew for constructing this and everyone who contributed.



We have a few spare copies that can be purchased (\$15) from the school office.

Upcoming Events

Thurs 30 Mar Curriculum design mtg

Fri 31 Mar Colin appraisal- Bruce Henley

Tues 4 April Water check

Tues 4 April Skool loop coms.

Wed 5 April CPPA Mentor (Sue) visiting

Thurs 6 April Y7/8 to tech.

Thurs 6 April End of Term assembly 2pm

Fri 7 April No School – Easter Friday

Mon 24 April Teacher only day

Tues 25 April ANZAC day

Wed 26 April Start of Term 2