

Important Dates

WIKI 7 - Tongan language week

Senior Disco - Years 5 & 6

Thursday 6th September

6.30pm - 8.00pm

Pasifika Dress up Day

Friday 7th September

WIKI 8 - Māori language week

Excellence Assembly

Monday 10th September

9.00am - 9.20am

Stardome Trip

Te Rangī - Wednesday 12th September

Children need to be at school before 9am please

Whole School Assembly

Hosted by rooms 12 and 17

2.30pm - 3.00pm

All whanau welcome to attend

WIKI 9

Wednesday 19th September

-Dress like a Pirate/ Talk like a pirate day

-Board of Trustees Meeting

7.00pm School Staffroom

All parents/ caregivers welcome to attend

WIKI 10 - Chinese language week

Excellence Assembly

Monday 24th September

9.00am - 9.20am

All whanau welcome to attend

Community Consultation Evening

Wednesday 26th September

6.30pm - 8.00pm

Message from the Principal

Malo e lelei

Thank you to everyone who completed the school's community survey and returned it to school. I am grateful for you spending the time to think about the questions and offer your thoughts and ideas. These surveys are currently being collated, and in the next couple of weeks the Board of Trustees will have a document to share with you that summarises your responses. You will be able to see that at the community Consultation evening on September 26th, and there will also be some copies in the office foyer.

As this is Tongan Language week, I am sharing this Tongan proverb with you: 'Auhia 'a motu'a fānifo - A surf board rider carried away by the current or waves

Meaning: Someone who we rely on in difficult/challenging times because of their wisdom and experience. Like a surf board rider carried away by the current or waves, we rely on their experience to get him/her to safety.

Mou ō ā fānau

Diana

Pasifika Dress-up Day

This week is Tongan language week. We have had fun learning Tongan phrases, numbers and letters.

Children are encouraged to come to school this Friday in Pasifika wear to celebrate Tongan Language week.



Are you thinking about how you could support your child's school?

We would love to have some more parent help for road patrol. At the moment, we have a vacancy for Thursday afternoon on Rangipawa Road. If this sounds like something you could support us with, please email Mrs Bentley at v.bentley@oranga.school.nz or pop in and see her.

Coming Soon

Personalised Artwork Calendars, Cards and Diaries – A School Fundraiser

Your child's art can be made into Calendars, Cards and Diaries. These make unique Christmas gifts for family and friends and perfect for posting overseas. Look out for further details and order forms later in the term.

Healthy Food

We encourage children to bring healthy lunches to school.

Please ensure that students leave lollies, chocolates and sweet drinks at home.

Showcase of Learning

Save the date for the last day of term - **Friday 28th September**. We will hold our showcase of learning morning. A morning for families to come and have a look at some of the work that our children have done.

This time round we also have the added bonus of a display of what our Enviro team have been up to and some of the great ideas and plans that they have for our school. Children are encouraged in their learning when they have the opportunity to 'show off' their work and be proud of their achievements!

After enjoying a browse through the children's work, we invite you to join us in the staff room for hot drinks and nibbles. Please save the date and if possible take the morning to come and be a part of this great event.

Community Consultation Evening - Wednesday 26th September 6.30pm

Further to our 'Have your say about Oranga School' survey is our Community Consultation Evening. We are in the process of reading through each survey and taking notes, we will next turn this into a presentation that can be shared with everyone at the Community Consultation evening. The night is a vital part of our consultation process and we look forward to sharing with you our findings, talking about the 'big picture' and the future direction of Oranga School. We hope you can join us.

Student's voice

The Zoo

Last week on Wednesday room 8 went to the zoo. We learnt about lots of different animals they were so cool.

The animal that I really like are the elephants because they can push something that is twice their weight. And they are really kind animals. The next thing is that the elephant can only sleep on one side for about 1 hour to 1 hour and a half. Only because their body weight is too much for them so they have to swap over their sides every time. - Keon Room 8 (extract only, from Keon's story about the zoo).

