



Whāia te mātauranga hei orange mō koutou
Learning for Life and Making it Count

Term 3 - it's a wrap!

Kia ora e te whānau! Another busy term at Ouruhia School!

Loving the Arts ...

We loved having a **whole school Art focus this term on painting**, learning about how to use brushes, mixing colours, looking at works by artists, composition... and keeping our clothes clean!! There was a whole lot of development in learning to persevere, working co-operatively, self-management and giving and receiving feedback. And the results in Week 10 at our art celebration were outstanding!



Live theatre performance ... O Le Toa (Court Theatre), 8 September.

Live theatre allows us to experience up close the characters, costumes, props, music, humour, creativity, energy, focus, and emotion...



The Strum, Strike, Blow concert,
at Wolfbrook Arena, 6 September.



**Over half our senior
class performing...**
11 playing marimba, 4
playing ukulele...



Caring for the environment

We continued our whole school commitment to planting and caring for areas beside our river, the Pūharakekenui, with Styx Living Laboratory, on 31 July...



... and with ECAN Ranger Brad at Te Rauakaaka (Waimakariri River, near Stewarts Gully) on 7 September.



Senior Camp at Waipara



BOT elections

Nominations are open for two parent rep positions on the Ouruhia School Board, and nomination forms have been emailed or posted to all parents. Nomination forms are due back at school by Wed 11 October (Week 1), and voting forms and candidate statements will be sent out by Wed 18 October.

2024 classes: We are already fielding inquiries about enrolments for next year (in-zone, and out-of-zone at different levels). As we are starting to look at staffing and room allocations for next year we would like to know of any likely changes as soon as possible. If you are moving, or know of anyone nearby who is wanting to come to Ouruhia, please let us know as soon as possible (email principal@ouruhia.school.nz)

Gardening help: Now Term 4 is upon us, we need to keep on top of new spring growth. If you are able to help with a general tidy-up in the next few weeks, please see Mark, or email principal@ouruhia.school.nz .

Coming up in Term 4...

- **Pet Day:** at school, **Week 1**, Wednesday 11th October. (See email 15 September 2023 for more details)
- **Athletics Sports:** Ouruhia School's **whole school Athletics** will be in **Week 2**, Wednesday 18th October in the school grounds (morning) and then at the Ouruhia Domain (after lunch).
- **Senior Choir** (Yr5-8) are working towards the Christchurch Town Hall Music Festival on Friday 3rd November, **Week 4**. This is a magnificent occasion and gives children the opportunity to perform in our world class Town Hall.
- **Teacher Only Day** – Required by Ministry of Ed for curriculum development, **Thursday 16 Nov (day before Show Day), Week 6**. Parents may wish to make it a longer holiday weekend).

Other notices:

Papanui Toc H Athletics

- Come along to our Open Day on Sunday 8th October at 2pm at **Papanui High School** or at our first Club Night on Tuesday 10th October at 5:30pm to register and get more information. Email jcc@ptoch.org.nz or go to papanuitochathletics.org.nz or facebook.com/PapanuiToch



The North Canterbury Athletics Club are pleased to commence our Track & Field season. October 2022 to March 2023

- Plenty of opportunity to learn the sport of athletics!
- Grab your sneakers, drink bottle & come meet our inspirational head coach.
- **Open Days** 7 – 14years

Tues 10th & 17th October 2023, 4:30 – 6.00pm **Rangiora New Life School** Grounds in Rangiora \$5 per child.

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2023 Term Dates:

Term 4: Mon 9th Oct – Fri 15th Dec

Wed 11 Oct – Pet Day
 Wed 18 Oct - Athletics
 Mon 23 Oct - Labour Day
 Fri 3 Nov – Choir Festival, ChCh Town Hall
Thurs 16 Nov – Teacher Only Day
 Fri 17 Nov - Canterbury Show Day
 Thur 14 Dec – Ouruhia Picnic/Concert/Prize-Giving
 Fri 15 Dec – Last day of Term 4

*Ka kite ano,
 Mark and the team at Ouruhia*

2024 Term Dates:

Term 1: Wed 31st Jan – Fri 12th April

(29-30 Jan – Teachers meetings on site)
 31 Jan – Pupils' first day of term
 5 Feb – School closed
 6 Feb - Waitangi Day
 29 Mar – Good Friday/Easter
 1-2 Apr – Easter Monday & Tuesday (school closed)

In term break: ANZAC Day 25 April

Term 2: Mon 29th April – Fri 5th July

Mon 3 June - King's Birthday
 Fri 28 June - Matariki

Term 3: Mon 22nd July – Fri 27th Sept

Term 4: Mon 14th Oct – Wed 18th Dec

Mon 28 October - Labour Day
 Fri 15 November - Canterbury Show Day



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