

**Learning for Life and Making it Count***Whāia te mātauranga hei oranga mō koutou**Pursue learning for the sake of your wellbeing.***Term 3 update...**

Welcome to Term 3 Ouruhia Whanau, it's good to see the sun is shining and the warmer days are starting to show new growth every where. There are just a few notices for you today.

Teacher Strike 15th August - all families have been notified of the strike day action and the boards decision to close the school via, email, newsletter and Face Book.

Katote Cluster

Ouruhia School is part of a cluster on nine schools that collaborate and work together. We are pleased to let you know that along with the other schools in the Katote cluster we now have a Mana Ake team working with us to support the wellbeing of our tamariki. Mana Ake is an early intervention service for children who are experiencing ongoing issues that are impacting their wellbeing. The team includes a social worker, counsellor, psychologist and whanau ora kaimahi and these people are available to support children and their families/whanau at school and home. They will be in our school regularly and we look forward to collaborating together.

Shuttle Time

We have taken the opportunity to be part of the the **Shuttle Time** program for our whole school. It is provided by Badminton Canterbury with coaches trained to deliver it in the school environment. Shuttle Time is a worldwide programme that aims to give kids of all ages and abilities an enjoyable and accessible experience to Badminton. If you want to get your child involved in the world's fastest growing racquet sport contact: shuttletime@badmintoncanterbury.com

School Uniform

Ouruhia School has a compulsory school uniform and we have noticed that some children are often in incorrect uniform. Some points to note:

Polyprops – these need to be dark blue

Jackets – different coloured rain jackets can be worn to school and from school only. It may be worn in the play ground on wet days only. At all other times children must wear their school sweat shirt or polar fleece.

*Shoes: Must be practical for daily school wear e.g. sports shoes or regulation school shoes
Please find the school information sheet attached.*

School Hours: 8.55 a.m. – 3.00 p.m. daily

Before school:

Children need to be at school to be prepared for the day ahead by 8.45 a.m. Continual lateness sets your child up with bad habits and is unfair to the rest of the class and the teacher when children arrive late. The Ministry of Education look on continual lateness as a form of truancy.

After School:

Children need to be picked up as soon as possible after the 3 p.m. bell. If you are running late please contact the office. Teachers have other responsibilities and are not always able to supervise your child.

Ka kite anō,
The Ouruhia teaching and support team