



## Te Kura Takiwa o Opononi Opononi Area School

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### WHANAU UPDATE

Thursday 15 June 2023

Kia ora tatou katoa,

School Reports will be emailed and posted to whanau within the next week.

NZ Area Schools National event is over this school holiday 2-6 July the event will be held at Rangiora Mainpower Stadium, Rangiora, Christchurch.

Learning Connections date has been postponed to the last week of term on Thursday 29 June. On this day there will be no classes or buses running. The office will contact whanau over the next few weeks to book times with your tamariki's teacher. Due to the ongoing strikes time slots can only be made between 8.15am and 4.00pm.

Due to a busy end of term we have postponed the Matariki Performance to Term 3.

Strikes are still ongoing in the Secondary School. Please take note of the dates and year levels. Unfortunately, we can't provide normal instruction on the days so students are asked to stay home.

School holidays start from 3 July and end on 14 July. Term 3 starts on Monday 17 July.

We are looking for interest in anyone who would be interested in working as a Teacher Aide in our school. We currently have no jobs advertised for Teacher Aide but if you may be interested please contact our DP Vanessa Peters by email [vanessap@opononi.school.nz](mailto:vanessap@opononi.school.nz) or call the school office.

Ngā Mihi  
Darlene Rogers, Acting Principal

### Upcoming Events

- **13-15 June** - Careers Expo/Auckland (Y11-13)
- **20 June** - Girls in Trades - Whangarei
- **21 June** - BOT Hui, 6pm
- **21 June** - Kiwi Tag Years 5-8 - Rawene School
- **28 June** - Union meeting senior teachers - Kerikeri
- **29 June** - Learning Connections Day
- **30 June** - Last day of Term 2
- **2-6 July** - NZ Area Schools National Event
- **27 July** - BOT Hui, 6pm
- **26-29 September** - Area Schools Music Camp - Christchurch
- **27-29 November** - Primary School Camp/Lonsdale Camp, Matauri Bay

**NCEA camp fundraiser will be drawn this Friday 16 June at 1.30pm. Winners will be notified by Stella.**

**Thanks to everyone who supported the Island Kai Fundraiser for NZASA trip. Pick up kai from the Tech room on Friday 16 June, between 3-4pm.**

## School Events

Colour Run



Olympics Day - Athletics Day



Turbo Touch





## Careers Expo



## Cross Country





## OAS Notices:

### Strikes for the rest of this term

Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
8 12-16 June	Year 11 & 12	Year 9 & 13	Year 10 & 11	Year 12 & 13
9 19-23 June	Year 9 & 10	Year 11 & 12	Year 9 & 13	Year 10 & 11
10 26-30 June	Year 12 & 13	Year 9 & 10	Year 11 & 12	Year 9 & 13

The Board has carefully considered the availability of non-union teaching staff and unfortunately decided that **we can't provide normal instruction during the strike** so the school will be officially closed for instruction to the above year levels on the dates scheduled.



On these dates, the student's normal teachers will not provide their normal instruction. They will be at school teaching the other year levels only.

**We ask that on these dates your tamariki stay home and continue their work from home.**

We know that this is inconvenient for parents and students alike. Please be assured that student safety is our main concern.

We support all our teachers and thank you for your understanding.

### **Attendance**

Thank you whanau for letting Whaea Sophie know when and why your student is absent. This is much appreciated.

Having this information helps us to keep their attendance records and also the school attendance records up to date.

Thank you.

### **Dental Bus**

These holidays we will be at TKKM O te Tonga o Hokianga and have appointments available - If you have any pre-schoolers or adolescents under 18 years old in the area please feel free to enrol/book on our website <https://www.northlanddhdhb.org.nz/myteeth>.

Bookings are also available by phoning 0800MYTEETH (08006983384)

### **Changing of buses**

Can parents/caregivers please contact the school when your student is changing buses at the end of the day, or if they are getting off at a different stop.

Please contact the school by 1:30 with this information.

Students are not permitted to make these changes.

**Cell phones** - It will be a requirement that all student cell phones are handed into the office at the beginning of the day and picked up at the end of the day. Student phones used in class will be confiscated, and handed into the office. Parents will need to pick them up at the end of the week.

**Breakfast Club** - We are always looking for breakfast volunteers for both junior and senior students. If you are able to volunteer please ring our office 4058500.

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### **Health and Safety**

Warning! Parts of our kura are under construction as we actively work towards upgrading our facilities. Please stay out of unauthorised and/or secured areas during and outside of school hours.

All visitors are to sign in at reception during school hours.



**Uku Workshops** - Every Thursday - Lunch Time

Whaea Nicky Rogers-Pririni is running Uku Workshops during lunch. The first workshop last week was awesome! 10 students showed up!! We started with pinch pots and soup dishes. Was so cool to work with some of my old students and ones I haven't taught before.

Next workshop: Thursday 25th May, lunch time.

**Chromebooks** - Please return any chromebooks you may have at home and their chargers back to school.

**Bilingual science kits give kaiako confidence - Education Gazette Article**



Check out this cool article with our tamariki here: [Education Gazette Article](#)

**LEARN**  
*Stage MAKE Up*  
**& HAIR**

BE A PART OF IT!  
EVERY  
FRIDAY LUNCH  
TIME  
HOME EC  
ROOM  
LIMITED SPACES  
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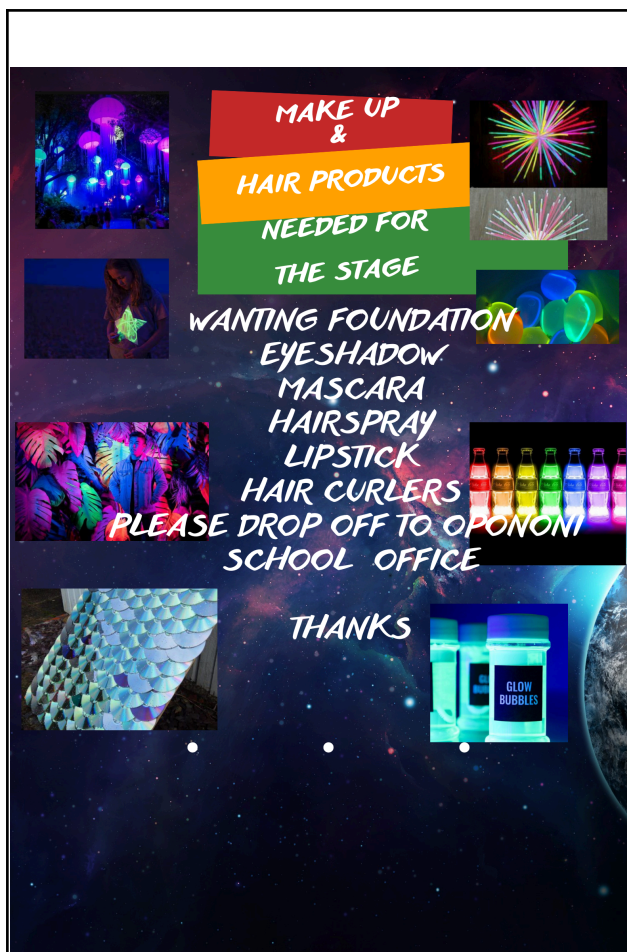
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### Who reviews our policies and procedures?

Reviews are open to the board, staff, and the school community (parents/caregivers/whānau)

### Term 2 Reviews

- Education Outside the Classroom (EOTC)
- EOTC Planning and Review
- EOTC Risk Management
- EOTC Coordinator
- EOTC External Providers
- EOTC Staff Competence
- EOTC Event Categories
- EOTC Communicating with Parents



Check out our school Facebook page for photos and videos:

<https://www.facebook.com/OpoArea>



# Te Kura Takiwa o Opononi

Manaakitanga - Respect - Honesty

## COMMUNITY NOTICES

The following community notices do not reflect the policies of the school or the Board of Trustees



The poster features a dark blue background with colorful abstract shapes in the corners. At the top left is the 'Te Mahau' logo, and at the top right is the 'Ministry of Education' logo. The title 'Te Manawa Tahī Community Timetable Mid North' is prominently displayed in green and white. Below the title, it specifies 'Term 3, 2023'. A central white-bordered box contains key information: opening hours (9:30am to 12:00pm), a statement about specialist support for language, learning, and wellbeing concerns, and a note that the service is free. It also mentions that a Te Manawa Tahī flag will be displayed. The main part of the poster is a table listing dates and hub locations. To the right of the table is a large orange silhouette of a person with arms raised. At the bottom, contact information is provided: phoning 0800 524 842 or emailing TT.Support@education.govt.nz.

**Te Mahau**

**Te Manawa Tahī  
Community Timetable  
Mid North**

Term 3, 2023

All hubs are open from 9:30am until 12:00pm unless otherwise stated.

If you have a concern about your child's language development, learning progress, social and emotional wellbeing or behaviour, Te Manawa Tahī have specialists available so you can discuss your concerns directly with them.

This is a free service.

The Te Manawa Tahī flag will be outside to show you that we are here.

Date	Hub Locations
Wed 26 July	Northland College - Te Wae o Te Wheke 62 Mangakahia Road, Kaikohe
Thurs 3 August	Maromaku Playhouse (10:30 – 12:00) Maromaku School Road, Maromaku  Motatau School (1:00 – 2:30) 18 Henare Road, Motatau
Wed 16 August	Te Tii (Waitangi) B3 Trust (9:30 – 11:00) 32 Te Kemara Avenue, Waitangi  Northland College – Te Wae o Te Wheke (9:30 – 12:00) 62 Mangakahia Road, Kaikohe
Wed 23 August	Kerikeri Sports Complex Waipapa Road, Kerikeri  Waima School (9:30 – 12:00) State Highway 12, Waima School Road, Waima
Wed 30 August	Hundertwasser Library 62 Gillies Street, Kawakawa

Drop into a hub or make an appointment by phoning 0800 524 842 or emailing [TT.Support@education.govt.nz](mailto:TT.Support@education.govt.nz).



# DON'T GET SUCKED IN

VAPING EDUCATION

poster  
challenge  
2023



## Design a poster to highlight the risks of vaping for teens.

The Don't Get Sucked In Poster Challenge is an art competition for Years 7 - 13. We want you to design an eye-catching and impactful poster highlighting the risks of vaping for teens.

You can use any art medium: painting, drawing, collage or digital design.

All posters must include ONE of the following messages:

- Don't get sucked in - vaping is harmful to your health and wellbeing.
- Safer than smokes? Some vapes have the same amount of nicotine as a packet of cigarettes.
- Don't gamble with your lungs - we don't know the long-term effects of vaping yet.
- Vaping harms your lungs and the planet - e-waste from vaping is a growing problem.
- Don't get sucked in - vapes have been designed to get you hooked.

**\$800 worth of prizes to be won!**

Send your poster as a jpeg, png or pdf file to [comms@arfnz.org.nz](mailto:comms@arfnz.org.nz), along with your name, age, school, contact phone number and email address.

**Entries close 30 June 2023.**

 **Asthma + Respiratory**  
FOUNDATION NZ

**Find out more: [www.dontgetsucked.in.co.nz/poster-challenge](http://www.dontgetsucked.in.co.nz/poster-challenge)**