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WEEK 2, Term 2

Kia orana, Greetings, Talofa lava, Malo e lelei, Tēnā koutou, Bula Vinaka

Welcome back to school for Term 2.

The BOT, FOS and staff would like to thank everyone who donated their time or goods towards our Gala. Despite the weather and road conditions it was wonderful to see so many locals out supporting the event as well as people who had travelled especially to be there. It was a very successful day!

We have another exciting term of learning planned with Literacy as our main theme.

The students have already brought home a list of words to learn for the Spell-a-thon, you could help them by practising the words with them and encouraging them to find sponsors.

We will also be holding a Poetry competition later in the term. We will also be holding special reading events over the term.

Please check for nits as this is an ongoing problem in the school at the moment.

Ngā mihi nui,

Kerry Forse



Digital Devices

We are working with a new IT provider, newera, who have supported us to move to the cloud. We are very excited as this means we have been able to spend the money we would normally use for a server on updating our digital devices in the school.

We have decided to use Office 365 and every child has a log on address and password. This means that you will be able to download Office 2016 onto your devices at home for free. When the children log into their office account on the right-hand side of the screen you will see "Install Office 2016" this can be downloaded on to a maximum of 5 devices for free.



Building Project

Our new office building is nearing completion with the painters in this week painting the inside of the building. We have ordered furniture and are looking forward to holding an opening celebration when the landscaping has finished and we have moved in.



Friends of the School (FOS)

Everyone is welcome to join our friends of the school group who do a fantastic job organising and supporting school events. Facebook page: Friends of the School - Orere Primary or come along to our next meeting.

We are looking for a parent who could spend a few hours looking at grant websites for us. We have a list of websites and need to know if we can apply for the grants and what the grant covers. If you think you could do this please ring the school office. Thanks, in advance.

Newsletters

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Writing

Ararimu

Yesterday we went to Ararimu School. When our little school arrived, everyone was staring at us. Aaaaah! I was so nervous! They sang us a nerve racking song. The Principal split us and we all went into different classes. Their classes were 10 times as big as ours.

We had lunch and after lunch we went swimming. YAY! I got changed and the swimming pool was.... Freezing. The pool was SO epic, deep and huge. Everyone was screaming, talking, playing, swimming and being crazy. The splashing was so ecstatic I got really exhausted.

After the swim, we had P.E. We did hula hooping, batting, obstacles and lots more.

Our school was about to leave, Mia and I were with Mrs Pye, the twins had to come with us. Mrs Pye then said, "It was supposed to be a girl car." We then put Megan Trainor on and the twins HATED it. Connor was annoyed because I kept on annoying him. Bradley was silly and kept on making me laugh so much. There was something rude in the song so Connor was like " What did she just say?" that made me crack up laughing.

I had the best, most amazing day at Ararimu school!

By Portia Room 1

Autumn

Brown leaves

Leaves falling, down

I like playing with leaves

Season

By Skylah Room 2

School Calendar - Key Dates to Remember

- ☐ **11 May 2017**
BOT Meeting
- ☐ **12 May 2017**
Assembly
- ☐ **17 May 2017**
Oxford Pie – pick up from school office
- ☐ **18 May 2017**
Year 7 & 8 Vaccinations
- ☐ **26 May 2017**
Spell-a-thon
- ☐ **2 June 2017**
Assembly
- ☐ **16 June 2017**
Poetry Comp
- ☐ **19 June 2017**
Year 4-6 Interschools Chess Competition
- ☐ **21 June 2017**
Year 7 & 8 Interschools Chess Competition
- ☐ **23 June 2017**
Tree Planting