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**PĀANUI**  
Te Wahanga tua tahi mo te wiki tuaiwa  
Tokohia ngā tamariki: 71



13<sup>th</sup> December 2022

Kia ora e te whanau,

The last week of the school year is finally upon us. On behalf of the staff, the BOT and our tamariki, we wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a wonderful New Year.

We all understand the different pressures whaanau at this time and we will continue to work with our community.

We want to end the year in a fun way. We want this to be a fun week for everyone and a memorable occasion as we farewell our Year 8 students.

There are some things that must be done before we sign off for the year. Whaea Janie has finally decided to hang up her mop and switch off her vacuum. Whaea Janie has been a part of the staff for many years and due for a little time for herself and not worry about the early 5:30am starts anymore. We are hopeful Whaea Janie will continue to support the kura with our school trips and our breakfast club.



Heoi ano  
Kevin Ikin, Principal

Prizegiving: Trophies: Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> Dec  
Last day of kura Thurs 15<sup>th</sup> Dec  
Staff Only Day Fri 16<sup>th</sup> Dec  
School starts Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> February 2023

The kura had its sports presentations today following the acknowledgement for Whaea Janie.



Many thanks to our tamariki for playing their part as each class acknowledged Whaea Janie and wished her all the best for Christmas and New Year as well as the years ahead.

The Sports Awards followed today in assembly...



All the different sporting codes were recognised. It was great to see how many of our tamariki play a sport and are very active. Congratulations to all those students who received a certificate and recognised for your commitment to your chosen sport. Another big year lies ahead and we'll be once again on the lookout for whaanau to come and help coach teams. Ngaa mihi e te Whaanau



## A moment in time – Our History

12<sup>th</sup> December 1961: **The first Golden Kiwi Lottery was sold:** Tickets went on sale for New Zealand's new national Golden Kiwi lottery. All 250,000 tickets sold within 24 hours, with the £12,000 top prize (equivalent to nearly \$550,000 today) four times that offered in previous lotteries.

13<sup>th</sup> December 1642: **First recorded European sighting of NZ:** Towards noon the Dutch explorer Abel Tasman sighted 'a large land, uplifted high', possibly the peaks of the Paparoa Range behind Punakaiki.

14<sup>th</sup> December 2009: **The NZ Gov't recognizes Tino Rangatiratanga Flag:** The government recognized the Māori (Tino Rangatiratanga) flag as the preferred national Māori flag.

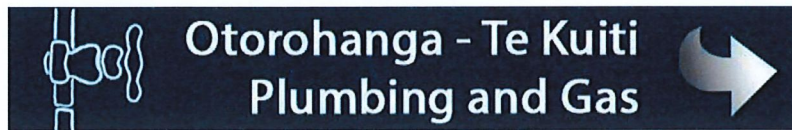
15<sup>th</sup> December 1995: **OMC release the song: 'How Bizzare':** It may have been the sounds of the trumpets, the gently rapped lyrics or that 'making-me-crazy' chorus, but whatever the reason, 'How bizarre' by the South Auckland group Otaru Millionaires Club (OMC) became one of the most successful songs ever recorded in New Zealand.

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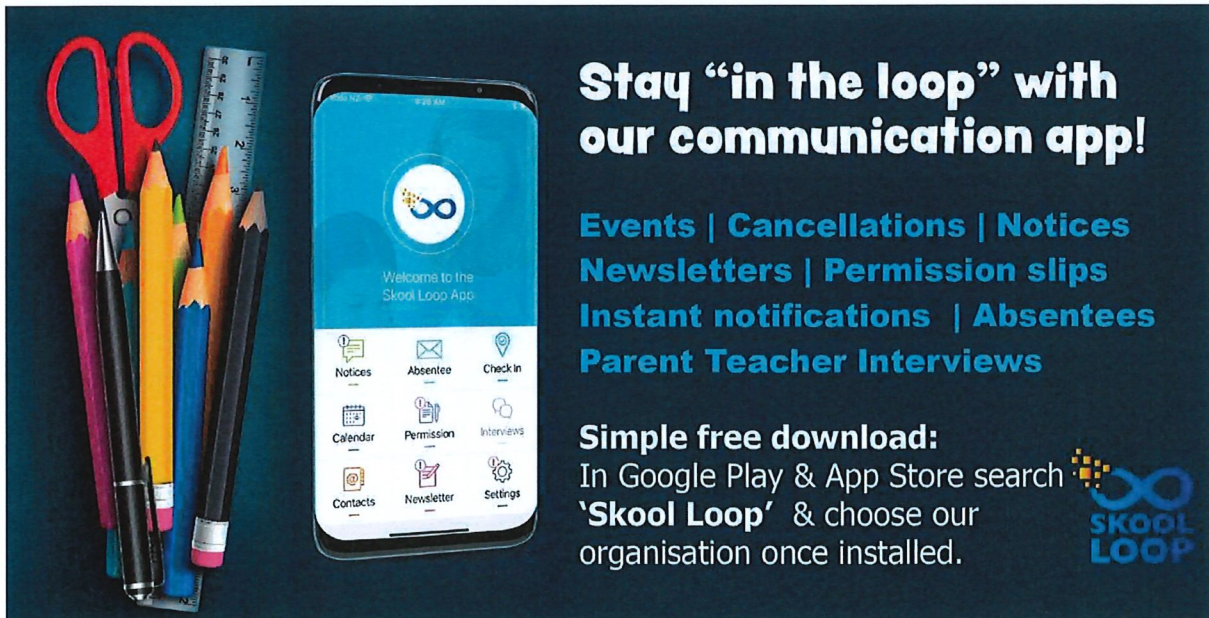
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## Our Kura Uara – School Values



**Wairua Hihiko** - (Innovation) their creativity, imagination and flair for innovation

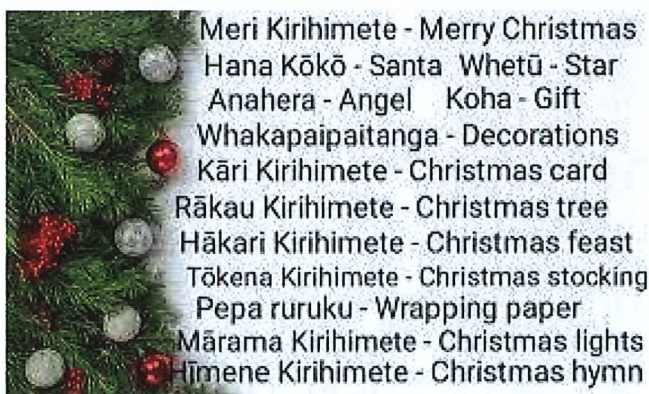
**Panekiretanga** - (Excellence) in all they apply themselves to

**Mana Tangata** - Pride in their identity, resilience when faced with challenges and adversity, enduring respect and care for hapū and iwi, integrity of character and as an individual

**Maniapototanga** – versed in the whakapapa, waiata, karakia, histories of Maniapoto

## Community Notices

*Here's a few Christmas says for you to try at home as we lead into Christmas...*



- Meri Kirihimete - Merry Christmas
- Hana Kōkō - Santa Whetū - Star
- Anahera - Angel Koha - Gift
- Whakapaipaitanga - Decorations
- Kāri Kirihimete - Christmas card
- Rākau Kirihimete - Christmas tree
- Hākari Kirihimete - Christmas feast
- Tōkena Kirihimete - Christmas stocking
- Pepa ruruku - Wrapping paper
- Mārama Kirihimete - Christmas lights
- Himene Kirihimete - Christmas hymn

