



2026, Here We Come

Our School Office will be open on Monday, 2 February - You can drop into the office from 8.30 am - 3:00 pm to purchase hats, queries, etc.

Monday 2 February 2026 - Whakawhanaungatanga Learning Partnership Day, Book your time online

2026 starts with a Learning Partnership Day, which provides you with an opportunity to meet 1:1 with your child's teacher. The purpose of this day is for you to talk proudly about your child so that your child's teacher has a clear picture of who they are and can design learning based on this information, e.g. their interests, their strengths, their needs, their passions, how they best learn, their life beyond school, any family matters that we need to be aware of, etc. It is also a great opportunity for you to develop that all-important partnership with your child's teacher by being on the same page right from day one of the new school year.

You can book a time to meet with your child's class teacher between 8.30 am and 4.00 pm by:

- Step 1 - Go to www.schoolinterviews.co.nz
- Step 2 - Enter the code: **xsyf3**
- Step 3 - Enter personal details
- Step 4 - Select 1 time slot per child/teacher
- Step 5 - Submit and receive a confirmation email



Each booking is for a 10-minute meeting; for multiple bookings, we suggest you leave a gap between each child's meeting time.

On the same day, families can complete any paperwork needed for our office team, purchase hats, and update any changes to personal details, such as phone number/ address, etc. The office is open from 8.30 am - 3.15 pm.

Monday 2 February 2026 - Learning Partnership Day

Tuesday 3 February 2026 - First day of full classes 8:55 am - 2:45 pm

Wednesday 4 & Thursday 5 February 2026 - Full classes 8:55 am - 2:45 pm

Friday 6 February 2026 - Waitangi Day - School Closed

Mihi Whakatau Tuesday 3 February - Nau Mai, Haere Mai. We welcome all new families/whānau to join us for an informal but important Mihi Whakatau at 9.00 am in the hall, followed by shared kai. Please gather outside the hall at 9.00 am, where a staff member will be there to meet and seat you and your child/ren.

2026 School Stationery Packs for Omanu School. Let us take the hassle out of stationery for you.

Online orders open Thursday, 1 January and close Thursday, 29 January

Just go online to our school shop [here](#)

(NB: these links will be live as of 1 January)

Or you can download the MyKindo App to your mobile device for [iPhone](#) and [Android](#)

Your child's pack will be delivered to their classroom in the first week of the term.

Packs are available to order online until Thursday, 29 January



Introducing Your Teachers and Leaders for the Start of 2026

Email our team - First letter of first name + surname, e.g.: sclause@omanu.school.nz or contact office@omanu.school.nz

Senior School - Years 5 and 6

Room 1- Bron Marshall
Room 2- Danny Hart
Room 3 - Laura Hicks
Room 4 - Kelly Metcalfe
Room 5 - Awhi Bristowe
Room 11 - Vicky Hackett

Middle School - Years 3 & 4

Room 6 - Krissy Curragh
Room 7 - Michelle Kalma
Room 8 - Michelle Smith
Room 9 - Nicola Wilcox
Room 10 - Olivia Murray
Room 23 - Penny Deane

Junior School - Years 0 to 2

Room 13 - Melissa Macdonald
Room 14 - Grace Purcell
Room 15 - Nicole Adlington
Room 16 - Cam Stewart
Room 17 - Kelly Collier
Room 18 - Sonya Groot
Room 19 - Leanne Willson
Room 20- Amber Livingstone

Specialist Teachers

Renay Bevin
Kirstin Cameron
Tricia Martin
Whaea Toni

School Leaders and Admin team via office

Matt Kennedy - Principal
Linda Stuart - Deputy Principal
Maree Pollock - Deputy Principal

Sarah Wright - Office Manager
Suzanne Lewis - Finance Manager
Di Smith - Sport Coordinator

Emergency Contact Details and Medical Needs

Please email us today if you have had a change of contact details that we are unaware of office@omanu.school.nz. Should your child have medical needs that we need to be aware of/share with staff, please come into school on Tuesday, 3 February, to discuss this with us before the new school year starts. In the interim, please email full details to office@omanu.school.nz

Keep Up To Date in 2026

Term 1 Calendar - Over the summer break, we are finalising our last few events and dates. We will email this to you in the week leading up to school starting, and it will be uploaded onto our School App.

School Website - Our archived newsletters and information about our school are available on our [website](#).

Email - We email all newsletters and notices directly to families. Please inform us if you have a change of email address via office@omanu.school.nz

Omanu School App - Your one-stop shop for calendars, notices, updates, newsletters, etc. Simply go to the App Store on your Apple or Android phone or tablet, search for 'Omanu School' and download. Alternatively, go to <http://omanuschool.apps.school.nz/share/>

Facebook - Regular updates and photos of events. Community notices shared via our Facebook Page <https://www.facebook.com/omanuschool>

Term 1 = Hats on and sunscreen on when the kids walk out the door each morning.



Lunches On Wednesday for 2026



Term 1 lunches will start on Wednesday, 11th February. We will be offering Sushi from Maki Mono and Subway. Lunches will be available to order each week on our school shop, closing at 9.00 am each Wednesday morning for orders to be placed. All orders will need to be placed on our School Shop as they go directly to these suppliers. Cash purchases are not available for lunches. We will have the finalised menu up on the School Shop at the beginning of Term 1.

2026 Term Dates

Term 1 - Monday 2 February - Thursday 2 April (9 Weeks)

- Monday 2 February - 1:1 Learning Partnership day to meet with your child's teacher
- Tuesday 3 February - First day of classes, 9 am Mihi Whakatau for new, ākongā, families and staff.
- Friday 6 February - Waitangi Day - School closed
- Thursday 2 April: Teacher Only Day
- Friday 3 April - Good Friday - School closed



Term 2 - Monday 20 April - Friday 3 July (11 Weeks)

- Monday 27 April - ANZAC Day (observed) - School closed
- Monday 1 June - King's Birthday - School closed

Term 3 - 10 Weeks Monday 20 July - Friday 25 September (10 Weeks)

- Friday 18th September: Teacher Only Day

Term 4 - Monday 12 October - Wednesday 16 December (10 Weeks)

- Friday 23 October: Teacher Only Day
- Monday 26 October - Labour Day - School closed

In 2026, our Year 5 and 6 Team will be heading to Camp in Term 2. We will share an exciting update about this in the new year!



Term 1 Sports registrations 2026
Open on Thursday, 1st January 2026
OS Rippa Rugby, Volleyball, Flippaball, Waterpolo.

Kia ora koutou

Term 4 sport is coming to an end with only a few games left in most codes. Thank you to the coaches and managers who facilitated a season that OS Kids thoroughly enjoyed.

**Register online for Term 1 sports via the OS [School Shop](#)
open from Thursday 1st January 2026**

Term 1 Registrations close on Wednesday 4th February

Register online via the OS [School Shop](#)

Thanks for meeting the registration deadline. *We are unable to accept any late registrations as teams need to be quickly made up and registered with the organising body.* **Please register as early as possible during the holidays - don't leave it till the last day!**

When making teams for Term 1 sports, we aim to have balanced teams and like to mix up teams each year so that children get to play with some familiar friends and meet a variety of other athletes. It also allows tamariki to have a variety of coaches too. There is no need for an email requesting to be with another child, coach or manager or for the same team from last year to be together this year.



<https://sportnz.org.nz/get-active/ways-to-get-active/sport/youth-sport/>

Like all our sports, it all happens thanks to volunteer coaches and managers. Thanks for looking to put up your hand where you can whānau. If we don't have enough coaches and/or managers we look to ask parents to share this role on a weekly rotation basis so that all tamariki who want to play can play. We also welcome several parents sharing coaching roles to accommodate how busy people are.

Once teams are made up your contact details will be given to coaches and managers who will contact you with more detailed information.

Ngā mihi nui, kind regards, Di Smith - Omanu School Sports Coordinator sport@omanu.school.nz



Omanu School Term 1, 2026 Sports On Offer

Registration Go to the School Shop online **Registrations open 1st Jan 2026** - [Click here](#)

To avoid disappointment of missing out, register your child through the school shop

as early as you can during the holidays.

Sports Coordinator for after-school sports - Di Smith sport@omanu.school.nz

Sport	Where	Time of Game	Cost	Registration close date
RIPPA RUGBY - For more info: https://www.boprugby.co.nz/				
Year 1-2 (5 a-side) Start date TBC approx 18 Feb	Arataki Park	Wednesday between 3.30 - 6pm	\$20	Wed 4th Feb
Year 3-4 (7 a-side) Start date TBC approx 18 Feb	Arataki Park	Wednesday between 3.30 - 6pm	\$20	Wed 4th Feb
Year 5-6 (7 a-side) Start date TBC approx 18 Feb	Arataki Park	Wednesday between 3.30 - 6pm	\$20	Wed 4th Feb
Year 3 & 4 (4-a-side) Start date TBC approx 20 Feb	Mercury Baypark Arena	Friday between 4-7pm	\$45	Wed 4th Feb
Year 5 & 6 (4-a-side), Start date TBC approx 20 Feb	Mercury Baypark Arena	Friday between 4-7pm	\$45	Wed 4th Feb
FLIPPABALL - For more info: https://taurangawaterpolo.co.nz/school-league				
Years 3 & 4 (6 a -side) Most children can touch the bottom of shallow end of the pool. Start date TBC approx 22 Feb	Papamoa Community Pool	Sunday between 10am-4pm	\$80	Wed 4th Feb
Years 5 & 6 (6 a -side) Most children can touch the bottom of shallow end of the pool Start date TBC approx 22 Feb	Papamoa Community Pool	Sunday between 10-4pm	\$80	Wed 4th Feb
WATERPOLO For more info: https://taurangawaterpolo.co.nz/school-league				
Year 5-6 For experienced players. Must be a competent swimmer as children will not be able to touch bottom of pool. WILL BE GUIDED BY TEACHER SELECTION Starts TBC approx 17 Feb	Windermere BOP Polytech Pool	Tuesday between 4 - 8 pm	\$80	Wed 4th Feb

Please keep this document for future reference. After the registration cut-off dates it will take a few weeks to organise and inform everyone about teams. Once teams are made up your contact details will be given to coaches and managers who will contact you with more detailed information. If teams don't have a coach or manager the parents of the team will be notified asking for help as if there is **No Coach or Manager = no team**

To register - Go to the School Shop online available from 1st January - [Click here](#)