

Welcome to **OKAIHAU PRIMARY**



BOARD REPORT 2022

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Tēna Koutou Katoa,

Thank you so much for taking time out of your busy schedules today to celebrate the successes and achievements of our tamariki at the Okaihau Primary School Prizegiving for 2022.

Yet another school year has come to an end and it has been another challenging one. In spite of the challenges, we have all managed to pull together to maintain a positive and stable environment for all of our tamariki at Okaihau Primary School.

The Board of Trustees would like to say a massive THANK YOU to our dedicated Principal, our wonderful teaching staff and amazing support staff for all of their hard work and commitment to ensuring that we have the best possible environment and opportunities for our tamariki to learn and succeed. Your experience, knowledge, passion and the fact that you consistently go “above and beyond” the call of duty for our school and tamariki is so much appreciated and has not gone unnoticed. The Board of Trustees would also like to farewell the staff who are moving on this year and extend a very warm welcome to the new staff we are joining our school community in 2023. We look forward to you all being able to meet and work with them in the new school year.

To the parents, grandparents, caregivers and whanau, THANK YOU for your efforts in supporting our school and your children this year. 2022 has seen us be able to return to allowing whanau attendance at our school events which has been fantastic. We have loved having your involvement and support on class camps and trips, sports days, Pet Day, fundraising events, classroom happenings, parent interviews, sausage sizzles, OSCAR, cross country and our

last event of the year Athletics day. Our tamariki thrive on having their whanau there to support them.

2022 has seen the completion of some large capital works projects on the Okaihau Primary school grounds. We have completed the renovation of the library block and the junior block. We have resurfaced our courts which has given us a multi-dimensional sports area that looks fantastic as well as the new junior playground. 2023 is looking like it will be another busy one with further capital works happening around the school. We are also changing the way our school lunches are delivered, we are moving away from our current supplier and will be running the school lunch program for our school from our own school kitchen “Te Kai Atarau”. We have some fantastic staff coming on board to manage the program and are really excited to make this change for our tamariki.

Finally, to the students of Okaihau Primary. THANK YOU so much for all your hard work and participation in all aspects of school life. To our Year 6 students, who are leaving us to begin the next stage of their education journey, we wish you well and look forward to hearing of your successes in the future – it has been our pleasure having you and your whanau as part of the Okaihau Primary School community.

The board of trustees extends our warmest festive wishes to you all hope you have a safe and happy holiday break and we look forward to seeing you all again in 2023.

Ngā mihi nui,

Kelly Thomas (Chairperson), Ella Fergusson, Rachel Bolger, Leanne Rumble, Glen Dryden Mary Piripo, Tim Couling and Sheri Banks.

Board of Trustees, 2022

Merry Christmas from the
Okaihau Primary Staff & Board of Trustees

