

BOARD OF TRUSTEES REPORT

2025

Tēnā 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 2025.

As another school year draws to a close, we gather to celebrate not only our amazing ākonga, but also our whole school community who uphold a positive, calm and supportive environment for our tamariki every day. The Board of Trustees would like to say ngā mihi nui to our Principal, our wonderful kaiako and our support staff for your aroha, dedication and professionalism. You consistently go above and beyond for our kura and tamariki, and it is so deeply appreciated.

This year, one of the most heart-warming highlights has been watching the continued engagement between whānau and the school. Whānau have shown up and stood beside our tamariki. Whether you joined us for the colour run, sports days, camps, Pet Day, assemblies, fundraising, interviews, OSCAR, sausage sizzles, or supported learning from home, our tamariki thrive when they feel your pride beside them. Thank you.

In October this year a new Board of Trustees was elected. We are now up and running and committed to supporting success for every child. If you have ideas, pātai or suggestions, please reach out. We are here for our community and we value your voice.

As we look ahead to 2026, our focus remains on maintaining a nurturing and stable learning environment, strengthening wellbeing and belonging, and supporting achievement for all tamariki. Together, we continue to build a kura our tamariki are proud to call their place.

To our Year 6 taura, we wish you a fond farewell. Congratulations on everything you have achieved here. Look forward to your next steps in your lifelong learning journey. We look forward to hearing of your future successes. It has been our privilege to have you and your whānau as part of our kura.

On behalf of the Board of Trustees, we wish you all a safe, restful and joy-filled holiday break. Meri Kirihimete, and we look forward to welcoming everyone back in 2026.

Ngā mihi,

Haydn Korach (Chairperson)

*Charlotte Repia, Mikey Cook, Lee Muunu, Ilaise Fale, Mary Piripo,
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Poari Kaitiaki / Board of Trustees, 2025

