

*Inspiring a love of learning through an education that values the development of the whole child*

17 October 2023

Week 2, Term 4



Welcome

### Nau mai, haere mai Bridie!

We are very pleased to welcome Bridie Te Maipi-Klunie to our kura. Bridie is a new kaiawhina (teaching assistant) in the Māori Immersion Strand. Bridie will be working with a range of tamariki. This is a new board funded role that has been created to provide further support for Te Whenu Māori.

We also welcome three new students; nau mai, haere mai ki ngā ākonga hou me o rātou whānau:

Miles Duran Wilkinson (Kākano)

Malik Ounei-Encina (Kākano)

Hawaiki Turia (Kōwhai)

### What's Going On? - Events and Activities at Otari School

- **Monday:** Mihi whakatau for Bridie Te Maipi Klunie. Immersion strand "Get Wise" financial literacy begins (3 days M,T, W)
- **Tuesday:** Montessori Strand planning and consultation day.
- **Wednesday:** Original Strand planning and consultation day. Kiwi Hoops.
- **Thursday:** Immersion Strand planning and consultation day. Kiwi hoops, Problem Challenge.
- **Friday:** Term 4 Technology begins for Y7/8, Junior Swimming, Student Committee meet with Lara re Disco. (2:30pm)



**Classes for 2024** - How the classes are structured is determined by the size of each cohort (year level) within each strand. I will be informing the Board of Trustees what classes will look like for next year at our board meeting on 30 October and the community the following day.

**Ōtari School Disco - Save the date and help needed!** The Ōtari School Disco is happening again this year on Friday 24 November, 5pm - 8pm!

For a disco like this to work well, we need participation from the school community. We'll require volunteers in the lead-up and on the night itself – this might involve cooking curries, setting up, frying sausages on the BBQ, serving food and tidying up after the disco is finished. We only need two hours of your time. Please put your details into this link and select a volunteering option (<https://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz/code/xmgab>) by Friday 17 November.



Once you sign up we'll be in touch closer to the time with clear instructions of what you need to do, where you need to be and when, etc. More details about the disco itself will be sent out shortly.

**In the meantime, save the date - Friday 24 November, 5pm - 8pm.**

Our contact person is Lara Charles (Zoe, Evan, Hudson and Lily's mum) at [larameredith@gmail.com](mailto:larameredith@gmail.com) if you have any questions or can offer support in another way.



**Hats** - Hats are compulsory this term. Hats need to have a brim; caps are not acceptable. We have a new supply of bucket hats for sale, from the office. \$15.

**Kiwi Hoops** - This term, children will be participating in the Kiwi Hoops programme with Capital Basketball. Kiwi Hoops provide children with a fun and safe basketball experience, jam-packed with learning and healthy activity. The programme is modified for different age groups. The cost of this 6 week programme is **\$12** per child.



**School Athletics** is on Wednesday 25 October at Ian Galloway Park. Whānau are welcome to attend.

**Calendar orders** close on Thursday. Let Jillian know if you need the order code for your child.



**Birthdays This Week:** Happy birthday to Caitlin and Tamatoa. Rā whānau ki a koutou! We hope you both have a great day.



**Taonga Horomata/Virtues** - This week the focus taonga horomata is **Commitment/Herenga:**

Commitment is caring deeply about a person, a goal or a belief. Once we discern direction we go for it wholeheartedly.

“Commitment is an act, not a word” Jean Paul Sartre

“He manako te kōura i kore ai” - *Wishing for the crayfish won't bring it.*  
(Mauri Ora - Wisdom from the Māori World)



Activity	Who's Involved	Date & Time	Cost
Swimming lessons	Juniors	Fridays 13 Oct – 1 Dec	<b>\$50.00</b>
Technology	Yr 7/8	Fridays 20 Oct – 1 Dec	
Kiwi Hoops	All students	Wednesdays/Thursdays	<b>\$12.00</b>
Athletics Day	All students	Wed 25 Oct PP Mon 30 Oct	
Yr 3 Sports Festival	Yr 3s	Tues 31 Nov PP Thurs 2 Nov	
WZ Athletics	Selected students	Fri 10 Nov	
Zoo Sleepover	Yr 5/6 Orig/Imm only	Tues 14 Nov	<b>\$55.00</b>
School Disco	Everyone	Fri 24 Nov	
Yr 8 Dinner	Yr 8s and staff	Fri 1 Dec	<b>TBC</b>
Yr 8 Farewell	Yr 7 and Yr 8 students	Fri 8 Dec	
Yr 8 Outing	Yr 8s	Tue 12 Dec	

Have a good week everyone.

Ngā mihi  
Clifford

**2023 Term Dates**

Term 4: Mon 9 Oct – Fri 15 Dec, noon  
**Teacher Only Day: Mon 13 Nov**

**Missing Bike** - Angus' bike was taken from the bike racks outside Kākano classroom last Monday afterschool (between 3pm and 4.45pm). Please let me know if you have seen it - Fiona 027 655 8911.



**Car Seat** - We're after a **full booster seat** with at least 4 years till expiry. If anyone has one they don't need any more could they please send me an email at [jodovey@gmail.com](mailto:jodovey@gmail.com)

Upcoming  
**COMMUNITY  
EVENTS**

A promotional poster for Athletics New Zealand. It features a collage of athletes in action: a female runner, a male high jumper, a male shot put, a female shot put, and a male javelin thrower. The background is a vibrant blue with a white and yellow splatter effect. The text 'ATHLETICS NEW ZEALAND' is in the top left. At the bottom, it says 'GIVE IT A GO THIS SUMMER!' and 'Find your local club at [athletics.org.nz](http://athletics.org.nz)'. Logos for 'douglas' and 'GO Media' are at the bottom left.

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