

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

24 October 2023

Week 3, Term 4

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

- **Tuesday:** High Jump; Sexuality Education
- **Wednesday:** Athletics Day
- **Thursday:** Yr 5/6 Enviroschool Day; Kiwi hoops
- **Friday:** Technology; Junior Swimming



He mihi whakanui ki te tīma poitarawhiti Manu Iti! Congratulations to the Manu Iti netball team for winning this season's Wellington West Netball Fair Play cup. Tau kē koutou!

School Athletics is on tomorrow at Ian Galloway Park. Whānau are welcome to attend. Please ensure your child comes to school with a drink bottle, plenty of food, correct footwear, warm/cool clothing, sunblock and a sunhat.



Ōtari School Disco - Friday 24 November, 5pm - 8pm! We need volunteers – please use this link: (<https://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz/code/xmgab>)

Our contact person is Lara Charles at 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.



Helpers' Morning Tea - Otari Staff invite our wonderful helpers to morning tea on Thursday 9 November, 10.30am. If you have helped out in any way (coached a team, read with children, transported, helped with swimming, fundraising etc) then please join us.





Birthdays This Week: Happy birthday to Mila, Finn, Lily and Hudson. Rā whānau ki a koutou! We hope you all have a great day.

Kia ora Montessori Parents,

Are you looking for a fun and meaningful way to support our school while connecting with fellow parents? We invite you to our weekly "Parent Resource Time" sessions, where we come together to create valuable classroom resources and enjoy some quality time.



When: Every Tuesday Time: 3:00pm - 4:00pm Where: Ngaio Classroom

During these sessions, parents will have the opportunity to:

- *Create paper resources, laminating materials and engage in various resource-making and fixing activities.*
- *Chat, share experiences and connect with other parents in a friendly and supportive environment.*
- *Enjoy quality time with other parents while your children play in the school playground and field. Even if you can only come for 20 minutes, we hope to see you there and look forward to building a stronger, resourceful and connected Montessori community together.*

For more information, talk to Stefanie Dixon (Frank's mum) 021 624 533 / stefdixon@hotmail.com. Let's make a difference together! The Montessori Parent Trust



Taonga Horomata/Virtues - This week the focus taonga horomata is **Whaka Mōwai/Modesty:**

Modesty is a sense of quiet confidence and self-respect, which allows us to enjoy our accomplishments without inflating our self-importance. We have no need to brag or attract attention. We know we are worthy just as we are.



‘Kaore te kumara e kōrero mō tona ake rek’
 ‘The sweet potato does not talk of its sweetness’
 (Mauri Ora - Wisdom from the Māori World)



Activity	Who's Involved	Date & Time	Cost
Swimming lessons	Juniors	Fridays 13 Oct – 1 Dec	\$50.00
Technology	Yr 7/8	Fridays 20 Oct – 1 Dec	
Kiwi Hoops	All students	Wednesdays/Thursdays	\$12.00
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	\$55.00
School Disco	Everyone	Fri 24 Nov	
Yr 8 Dinner	Yr 8s and staff	Fri 1 Dec	TBC
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

2024 Term Dates

Term Dates		Public Holidays
Thurs 1 Feb	Fri 12 Apr	Waitangi Day: Tues 6 Feb Easter: Fri 29 Mar, Mon 1, Tues 2 Apr
Mon 29 Apr	Fri 5 July	King's Birthday: Mon 3 June Matariki: Fri 28 Jun
Mon 22 Jul	Fri 27 Sept	
Mon 14 Oct	Tues 17 Dec	Labour Weekend: Mon 28 Oct