

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

9 May 2023

Week 3, Term 2

## Kia ora koutou



The school Cross Country is scheduled for next Thursday (18<sup>th</sup>), starting at 11.00am (postponement date is Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> May). The competitive races will go first (starting with Yr 8s). Once these races are complete, the Fun Run will commence, starting with Yr 1s.

**Chocolate Fundraiser** – We will be selling Whittaker’s chocolate shortly. The chocolate fundraiser is one that generates valuable supplementary income for the school. On occasion we receive emails from parents who do not support the idea of chocolate being a source of fundraising. Please just decline to sell chocolates if this is your view by sending an email saying ‘no chocolate’ to [office@otari.school.nz](mailto:office@otari.school.nz) before this Friday. Our own view is that chocolate should be a treat and because it is such a universally enjoyed one, it is also a great fundraiser. Each family will receive a box to try and sell (unless advised otherwise).



**Covid** – We don’t have any known cases in the school.

**Pizza** – The cut-off for placing an order for pizza (Fridays) has changed to **Thursdays at 5pm**.



**Birthdays This Week:** Happy birthday to Adam and Ōnukutaipari. Rā whānau ki a koe!  
We hope you have a great day.

### Taonga Horomata – Virtues: Generosity - Ohaohanga

Generosity is giving to others something that is of value to us. Generosity is a quality of spirit that calls us to share what we have. We also allow others to give to us. Every gift is doubly blessed, bringing joy to the giver and the receiver.

“The smallest act of kindness is worth more than the grandest intention”. *Oscar Wilde*

E iti noa ana, nā te aroha (Although it is small, it is given with love)



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Activity	Who's Involved	Date & Time	Cost
Trip to Te Wharewaka/Te Papa	Immersion strand	Fri 12 May	<b>\$7.00</b>
Vision/Hearing Testing	New entrants	Wed 17 May	
School Cross Country	All students	Thurs 18 May. PP Tues 23 May	
WZ Cross Country	Selected Students	Tues 30 May. PP Thurs 1 Jun	
Senior Swimming	Yr 5-8 + selected yr 4s	Fri 9 Jun	<b>TBC</b>
WZ Swimming	Selected Students	Tues 20 Jun	

Kia pai tō koutou wiki; Have a good week everyone.

Ngā mihi  
Clifford

**2023 Term Dates**

Term 2: Wed 26 Apr – Fri 30 Jun

Term 3: Mon 17 Jul – Fri 22 Sept

Term 4: Mon 9 Oct – Fri 15 Dec

**Teacher Only Day: Tues 24 Oct**



**Montessori at Otari Preschool is having an Open Day on Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> May 10am – 12 noon.** The Preschool offers quality early childhood education for children between the ages of 2½ and 6 years, based on the Montessori Philosophy. Invite family and friends to come along and find out more about Montessori, see a class in action and meet the teachers. For more information phone 475 9688 or [wcmp@xtra.co.nz](mailto:wcmp@xtra.co.nz).

**Rhythmic Gymnastics** - We still have spaces available in our recreational classes this term. Come along and try out our new badge programme. Your daughter or son will work through Levels 1 to 10 over time. Email [info@rhythmicgym.nz](mailto:info@rhythmicgym.nz) to arrange a FREE trial. For more information about Elements and our classes, visit [www.rhythmicgym.nz](http://www.rhythmicgym.nz)

**Pride Lands - Porirua Edition Adventure Weekend – Mid-Term Break – Two More Spots Left.** Three more Adventure Weekends to go in 2023.

**Pride Lands Next Adventure Weekend is the Porirua Edition.** Date: 26<sup>th</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup> May at Camp Elsdon. Go-Carting, Trampoline Park, Swimming and dinner at Dynasty Restaurant. Please make your booking. Here is a link to our new service to support families across Wellington Region: <https://pridelands.org.nz/services/adventure-weekend/>

**Pride Escape – Summer 2024 – Six More Spots Left.** Our Pride Escape Summer Adventure is now open to receive enrolment. This adventure programme is extremely popular and fills up very quickly well before the early-bird deadline. We are off to Taupo and Rotorua and our activities includes: seeing Huka Falls, walking the high canopies of Redwood Tree forest, Zorb Rotorua, NZ Maori Arts, Skyline Rotorua adventure park, bathing in the hot pools and many more. Please note that this programme is age restricted, 9 years and up. <https://pridelands.org.nz/services/pride-escapes/>.

## College Visits

**Wellington College 2023 Key Dates for Enrolments for Year 9 2024** - Wellington College is able to receive in-zone applications at any time during the year prior to enrolment, but preferably by the closing date for the ballot to allow planning for out-of-zone numbers. However, out-of-zone applications must be submitted by Monday 24 July 2023.

**Monday 24 July 2023** Closing date for the out of zone Ballot

**Saturday 10 June 2023** Open Day for Year 9, 2024 10.30am

**Monday 12 June 2023** Open Day for Year 9, 2024 9.30am

**Thursday 23 November** Year 9 2024 Induction Day

<https://www.wellington-college.school.nz/enrolment/>

**Wellington High School's Open Evening 2023** will take place on Monday 12 June. We will be offering two sessions: 4.30pm and 6.00pm and tickets must be pre-booked. Each session will offer a tour of the school and the opportunity to listen to the Principal's address. To book, please visit <https://www.trybooking.co.nz/NTS>

**Places are limited.** We encourage whanau to limit numbers to one adult per prospective student so that all who wish to attend are able to do so.



Wellington College

2023 WELLINGTON COLLEGE OPEN DAY

Saturday June 10 10:30am

ALAN GIBBS PERFORMING ARTS CENTRE

This is an opportunity for prospective students and their whānau to look around the Wellington College facilities and meet staff.

Registration is not required. All students and their whānau are welcome to attend.

For those unable to make Saturday

Monday June 12 9:30am

For all enrolment questions please e-mail [enrol@wellschool.nz](mailto:enrol@wellschool.nz)



### Wellington High Open Evening 2023

**Monday 12 June**  
4:30pm – 5:45pm  
or 6pm – 7:15pm



Book by scanning this QR code or visiting: [www.trybooking.co.nz/NTS](https://www.trybooking.co.nz/NTS)

You and your whānau are warmly invited to attend Wellington High School's Open Evening.

**This is a ticketed event and pre-booking is essential.**

For details, please visit [www.whs.school.nz/open-evening](https://www.whs.school.nz/open-evening).

School tours at 4:30pm and 6pm, followed by the Principal's address. Information packs will be available.

## Open Evening

### 2024 Year 9 Students

**Thursday 15th June 2023 5:00pm - 7:30pm**

Parents and prospective students are invited to attend our open evening. Our prospectus and enrolment pack are available through Onslow College Website - ENROL

**Classroom visits from 5.00pm to 6:55pm**

**Senior Staff will be in the hall for any questions**

**Welcome and Principal's presentation at 7:00pm**

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