

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

12 March 2024

Week 7 Term 1

Kia ora koutou

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

- Week 7 – Life Education
- Week 8 – Pedal Ready and Scooter Ready
- Next Tues: Ki o Rahi Festival



New on the Website - The Strategic Plan and the Annual Plan are both on the school website. Go to School/Kura then Strategic Planning. Also on the website is the schoolwide achievement picture at the end of 2023, in relation to Overall Teacher Judgements for Reading/Pānui, Writing/Tuhituhi, Mathematics/Pāngarau. Go to Learning/Akoranga, then Achievement Reports.

Diploma - Last week I was pleased to complete a Diploma of Counselling through The Career Academy. My thanks go to the Board of Trustees for supporting this Professional Learning.



Pedal Ready / Scooter Ready – The notices at the end of the newsletter were sent home last week. If you have not yet returned the slip, please do so by Thursday. We need to have exact numbers to give to the organisers.

Netball - As the winter netball season gets up and running again, so does the Year 7/8 Player Development Program. The PDP focuses on teaching our young netballers fundamental skills to enhance their game and make lots of new friends along the way! This season's focus is on space: finding, creating and defending space. If you are unfamiliar with PDP, it consists of three skill based sessions in groups led by an experienced coach at Cardinal McKeefry followed by a FunFest! Round-robin style tournament to finish off the program. The dates are as follows:



2024 dates:

1 Sun 28 April

2 Sun 5 May

3 Sun 12 May (Mother's Day)

FunFest Sun 19 May

For more information or to register, have a look on the website:

<https://www.sporty.co.nz/wnetball/Year-78-Development#>



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



Taonga Horomata/Virtues: Kawenga/Accountability

Accountability is the willingness to stand in responsibility for every choice. It is acting with integrity, doing what we say we will do. When we make a mistake we do not seek to hide it or avoid it. We have the courage to face it willingly. We are open to the lessons it can bring and ready to make amends.

'It is not only what we do, but also what we do not do, for which we are accountable!'



Activity	Who's Involved	Date & Time	Cost
Pedal Ready/Scooter Ready	All students	18-22 March	
WZ Ki o Rahi	Selected students	Tues 19 Mar	\$3.00
Trip to Te Papa	Tōtara/Kererū, Kākāriki	Tues 26 Mar	TBC
School Picnic	All students	Wed 27 March	\$8.00
Easter Break – NO SCHOOL	Everyone	Fri 29 Mar, 1 & 2 Apr	
WZ Football	Selected students	Tues 9 April	

Kia pai to koutou wiki! Have a great week everyone!

Ngā mihi
Clifford

Pedal Ready Programme

In week 8, tamariki in Years 5-8 will be participating in Grade One of the Pedal Ready programme (<https://www.pedalready.org.nz/>). All sessions will be held within school grounds and each class will be participating in the programme on a different day, as follows.

Monday 18 th March	Wednesday 20 th March	Thursday 21 st March	Friday 22 nd March
Tōtara + Kaikōmako Y7-8	Kaikōmako Y6 + Tui Y5	Kererū	Ngaio + Pohūtakawa Y5

This programme is funded by the Greater Wellington Regional Council (GWRC) and Waka Kotahi New Zealand Transport Agency so there will be no cost to participate. As part of the Pedal Ready programme, tamariki learn about bike and helmet safety checks, including legal requirements, starting off and stopping with control, steering and manoeuvring safely to avoid objects, looking behind while pedalling in a straight line, signalling to stop, turn left or right and using the gears. Further details can be found at <https://www.pedalready.org.nz/>.

In preparation for the Pedal Ready programme it would be helpful if you could complete the information below and return it to school. Pedal Ready also suggests you complete the attached checklist with your child but it does not need to be returned to school.

Ngā mihi
Johanne, Deborah, Erana, Tania and Sacha

Scooter Ready Programme

On Tuesday 19th March, Years 1-4 will be participating in the Scooter Ready programme. This programme is funded by Greater Wellington Regional Council (GWRC) and Waka Kotahi New Zealand Transport Agency so there will be no cost to participate. As part of the Scooter Ready programme tamariki will learn traffic awareness, footpath etiquette, looking for cars reversing out of driveways and what to do at pedestrian crossings and intersections. Further details can be found at <https://www.pedalready.org.nz/>.

In preparation for the Scooter Ready programme it would be helpful if you could complete the information below and return it to school.

Ngā mihi,
Britta, Rebecca, Susan, Paula, Tania and Lynette

Scooter Ready Programme

Child's name _____

My child can / cannot bring a scooter and helmet to school on Tuesday 19th March.

My child can / cannot lend their scooter and helmet to another child who does not have a scooter.

Pedal Ready Programme

Child's name _____

My child can / cannot bring a bike and helmet to school on the date given above for their class.

My child can / cannot bring a bike and helmet to school on another day to lend to another child.

Day _____

Tick which apply:

- ☐ My child is a confident bike rider
- ☐ My child has basic bike riding skills
- ☐ My child is still learning to ride a bike

Upcoming COMMUNITY EVENTS

If you believe your child would benefit significantly from highly focussed one-to-one learning sessions from a highly committed and expert teacher, who will not only help build their confidence but also accelerate their learning, then Boost Your Learning is the answer. We are a strong team of dedicated teachers, specialising in English, Maths and Science for intermediate and college students. To find out more about us, please visit our comprehensive website at www.boostyourlearning.co.nz or contact Sandra on 020 4031 6035 to book a free consultation.



Preloved kid's clothing sale at Wadestown Fair – this Saturday!

Northland Community Preschool will have a preloved clothing stall at Wadestown Fair. Amazing deals for good quality kids' clothes sizes 0-6!

We will also be selling genuine preschool playdough for you to take home!

Please tell your friends and come and support us,
11-2pm Saturday 16th March –
Philip Myers Park (by the library).



YOGA

with Sam

CLASSES

- MONDAYS / SATURDAYS

Gloucester Street, Wilton

10am - 11am

- THURSDAYS

Crofton Downs School Hall

6:15pm - 7:15pm

- Casual drop-in rate \$20

5/6 week courses \$80/\$90

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