

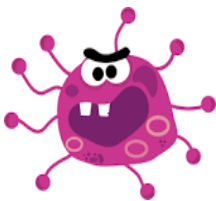
Inspiring a love of learning through an education that values the development of the whole child

25 August 2020

Week 6, Term 3

Kia ora koutou

Naumai, haere mai to Zane Titheridge and his whānau. Zane is a new member of Kākano class.



Covid-19 - We remain at alert level 2. At Otari School this means the following:

- Signing in using the posters with the code that are placed around the school
- An emphasis on handwashing, using hand sanitiser and spraying surfaces
- Limiting school gatherings (no whole school assembly)
- Keeping children home who have colds or coughs
- Staggered morning tea and lunch breaks (to encourage social distancing).

Garden - As kōanga/spring arrives, tamariki are excited to begin mahi māra in our refreshed outdoor classroom.

Our magnificent new garden shed and refurbished māra have inspired our tamariki and kaiako. With almost half of all students signing up for gardening, work will be organised in our three strand groups. Kaiako are discussing how this will work, so if you are interested in helping out with gardening or food preparation, please let your classroom teacher know, or email us at temara@otari.school.nz.



We are grateful to Bunnings Lyall Bay, who supported our mahi with a generous donation of seedlings, tools and garden essentials this week. Many thanks to Martin Vere-Jones for arranging and collecting the supplies. We have also received a kōwhai tree, donated by Berhampore Nurseries and are considering the best place to plant it.

Tui tamariki were the first to get their hands (and a few feet!?) dirty, planting out seedlings including strawberries, corn, and bok choy in the Immersion garden bed. Other class or strand groups are looking forward to getting outdoors in the coming weeks.

If anyone has any seedlings or plants to spare we are always grateful recipients! Get in touch with us at temara@otari.school.nz





Junior Swimming lessons - Children in Kākano, Pōhutakawa, Kākāriki, Tui, Kōwhai and Kererū will be participating in swimming lessons on Tuesdays in the first 8 weeks of Term 4. The swimming lessons will be provided by Easy Swim at Khandallah School's swimming pool. The cost of the lessons will be \$20 per child.

Onesie Day - On Friday 4 September, Otari School is going to participate in Onesie Day. It is the Wellington Free Ambulance Fundraising day. The Wellington Free Ambulance services the greater Wellington area including the Wairarapa, responds to 58,000 patients a year and answers over 107,000 calls for help. Wellington is the only city in New Zealand that has their Ambulance service free! In order to keep it free they have to raise money themselves. This year, because of Covid, they won't have a street collection and so will depend on organisations to help them.



The children are invited to wear their onesie or pyjamas to school on that day for a gold coin donation. Of course, a donation can still be made if they don't want to wear their onesie or pyjamas. You can also make a donation of any amount as a family. Senior student committee reps will collect the money from classes.



Parent Interviews are scheduled for week 8 (7, 8 & 9 September). Interview times can be booked at: <https://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz/>. The school code is **nfkgv**. Please let Jillian know if you have any problems; she can book one for you if necessary.



Taonga Horomata

Our virtues for the next 5 week focus on ones that are useful as we **work and learn**. Our main group of virtues are:

Perserurance/Ū-tono-tanga, Self discipline/Whaiaaro, Understanding/Moho pai, Reliability/Mahi pono tia, Excellence/Tino pai rawa, Flexibility/Ngāwari wari.



“Anyone who stops learning is old, whether at twenty or eighty. Anyone who keeps learning stays young.” Henry Ford.

“Hard work doesn't guarantee success, but improves its chances.” B.J Gupta

Te Reo Māori Sign-offs for letter or emails (some you might also say when you or another person is leaving)



Nā – From	Hei konā mai – Goodbye for now
Nāku, nā – Yours faithfully	Mā te wā – Bye for now – see you later
Nāku iti noa, na – Yours sincerely	Noho oro mai – Stay well, look after yourself, goodbye
Ngā mihi – Kind regards or thank you	Kia pai tō rā – Have a nice day
Ngā mihi nui – Kind regards (with more emphasis on gratitude)	Kia pai tō rā whakatā – Have a great weekend

**UPCOMING
EVENTS**



**What's
Happening**

Activity	Who's Involved	Date & Time	Cost
Gym Sessions	Junior/Middle School	31 Aug, 7, 14 Sept	\$18
Māori Language Week	Everyone	14-18 Sept	
EPro8	Selected Students	Tues 22 Sept	
Immunisations	Yr 8s	Thurs 24 Sept	

Have a great week everyone.

Ngā mihi
Clifford

2020 Term Dates

Term 3	Mon 20 Jul	Fri 25 Sept
Term 4	Mon 12 Oct	Tues 15 Dec

Labour Weekend: Mon 26 Oct (**Staff Only Day on Friday 23 Oct**)

Upcoming
**COMMUNITY
EVENTS**

Samuel Marsden Collegiate School - Year 9, 2021. Year 8 girls considering a Marsden education in Year 9 in 2021 are invited to attend the **Marsden Year 9 Experience Day on Friday 28 August**. This is an opportunity to meet current and new students, join in with activities and experience

some Year 9 subjects. Please register here: www.marsden.school.nz/about/enrolments/experience-marsden/. If you have any questions please contact Leigh McCathie on 476 8707 www.marsden.school.nz

Northland Cubs, Scouts and Keas are looking for new members. Coming out of lockdown we have an exciting programme for the rest of the year, with the opportunity to get outside and have an adventure or two. We have spaces available for Keas (age 5-7), Cubs (age 8-10) or Scouts (age 11-14). Interested in developing your leadership skills, we are looking for new leaders for keas and cubs. Full training and support are available. Like to know more? Check us out at www.facebook.com/NorthlandScouts or email Northland.Scouts@gmail.com for more information.

Evolve Tennis Coaching is running a tennis and multisports holiday programme during the September/October school holidays at Khandallah Tennis and Squash Club and Thorndon Tennis and Squash Club. A tennis-only camp is also being run at Newlands/Paparangi Tennis Club. There will be half and full-day options depending on location from 9am Monday-Friday. For further information or to book please contact Evolve Tennis Coaching on 479 1386 or info@evolvetenniscoaching.co.nz.

Onslow College Rowing Club Book Fair – Sat 5 September, 9am-5pm, Sunday 6 September 9.00-12noon. Student Centre, Onslow College, Burma Road. Sausage sizzle, bake sale. EFT-POS available.



A 10 week programme for young people aged 10-13 years

This highly impactful educational offering engages young people with a dynamic, interactive programme that helps them to understand the source of their innate resilience and wellbeing.

Over the course of 10 sessions, students learn about accessing the built-in knowledge that empowers them with the confidence to manage their challenges and difficulties covering issues such as: worry, stress, anxiety, low moods, anger, bullying, social media, self image and identity.

The curriculum has already been delivered with great success to a number of schools and groups of young people, receiving outstanding feedback from students, parents and teachers.

Wednesday afternoons

14th October - 16th December (Term 4)

3.45pm - 4.45pm

Khandallah Town Hall, 11 Ganges Road, Khandallah, Wellington

Spaces are limited. To secure your place, please contact Julie Cederman or Megan Martin: iheartngaio@gmail.com.

Cost: \$220 for the 10-week programme.

Parent / caregiver welcome to attend.

For more information about the iheart programme please go to www.iheartprinciples.com



Ahoy there sailors!

Junior Learn to Sail

Heretaunga Boating Club (Petone)

Junior learn to sail course:
Tues 29th September Huia Pool 7-8pm
Fri 2nd & Sat 3rd October 9am-3pm Petone beach

Course details: www.sailhbc.org.nz
Contact: Instruction@sailhbc.org.nz