

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

15 September 2020

Week 9, Term 3

Kia ora koutou



This week we celebrate Māori Language week!

By our very structure Otari School sends a message to the world that speaking te reo Māori is highly valued. The students and staff of the Original and Montessori strands are learning and teaching within an environment that encompasses a Māori Immersion Strand. This strand is an ever present influence on the community of the school. For all of the strands and for the sake of our ākonga it is important that a strong emphasis is placed on the value of on-going learning of te reo Māori. As the understanding and knowledge grows within our community, so too does a shared confidence and pride in te reo.

At Otari School learning of te reo Māori is also valued because it is one of two official languages of Aotearoa. This has particular relevance for our Māori students in the Immersion Strand and for our Māori students in the Montessori and Original Strands. While acknowledging this special value, we also recognise the benefits that are gained for *all* students from learning the indigenous language of the country of their birth or residency. Te Reo Māori is that language in New Zealand. Kia kaha te reo Māori mai Te Kura o Otari!

Here are some phrases of encouragement in te reo:

Māori Vocabulary	English translation
Tino pai	Great stuff!
Tino pai rawa atu!	Excellent
Ka pai!	Well done!
Ka rewe!	How lovely!
Mīharo!	Wonderful
Kia mau!	Hang in there!
Kia kaha!	Be strong, keep going
Kia manawanui!	Be stout-hearted!
Kia toa!	Be brave!
Ka taea e koe!	You can do it (said to one person)
Homai te pakipaki	Let's clap



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Artificial Turf for our field - Last week the Board signed a contract to have most of our school field covered in artificial turf. This is an exciting development! While we will miss the grass, we will look forward to having a field that can be enjoyed and utilised all year round. The new artificially turfed surface will have markings for football and a new netball court in the centre. The work begins on the last day of school and the field will be prepared for the turf during the school holidays. This area will not be accessible to the public at all, while this work is in progress. Children will also be told to keep away from the field when they return to school. The contractors will cordon the area off. We hope that the completed field will be ready for use again before the end of week 4 next term.



Yummy stickers – Please send your stickers and cut-outs to the office by Monday 21 September. Remember, the more we collect, the more free sports gear the school gets.



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Taonga Horomata: Mahi pono tia/Reliability Mohoi pai/Understanding

*Friends of ability are dependability, **reliability** and accountability!*

Jeffrey Benjamin

A proverb that expresses an important mohoi pai relevant for this week:

Ko taku reo taku ohooho, ko taku reo taku mapihi mauria

My language is my awakening, my language is the window to my soul



**UPCOMING
EVENTS**



**What's
Happening**

Activity	Who's Involved	Date & Time	Cost
Swimming Lessons	Pōhutukawa/Kākano/Kākāriki/Tui/Kererū	Term 4 -Tuesdays	\$20

Have a great week everyone. A reminder that the term ends next Friday (25th) at 2.55pm. Term 4 starts on 12 October.

Ngā mihi
Clifford

Term Dates 2021		
Term 1	Wed 3 Feb	Fri 16 Apr
Term 2	Mon 3 May	Fri 9 Jul
Term 3	Mon 26 Jul	Fri 1 Oct
Term 4	Mon 18 Oct	Wed 15 Dec

Upcoming
**COMMUNITY
EVENTS**

Sunday 20 September: 11am-3pm Bee Awareness Open Day. Bring all the family for crafts, honey tasting and learn all about bees from our beekeeper. You can purchase our delicious honey from our shop – but be in quick, there are limited amounts available! 1pm Beekeeper's talk.

Children's crafts & activities all day. Suzanne Aubert Heritage Centre, 2 Rhine Street (off Murray St), Island Bay. Contact (04) 282 1953 | heritagecentre@compassion.org.nz.

The Newlands Junior Softball club are taking registrations for the upcoming 2020-2021 season. Fun for all ages, no previous playing experience necessary. We have mixed grades for T-Ball or Mini-Pitch for the Under 7s and Under 9s. The gender grades range from U11, U13, U15 and U18. Online registrations at www.sportsground.co.nz/newlandssoftball/home. For more information please visit our website, Facebook or contact our Junior Club Convenor on njsclub@gmail.com.

These school holidays **KidzStuff Theatre for Children** are presenting **Thumbelina**, Written by Rachel Henry and Directed by Hilary Norris. 26th September - 9th October 2020. Tararua Tramping Club, 4 Moncrieff Street, Mt Victoria, Wellington. Times: Weekdays 10am & 11:30am, Saturdays 10am, no show Sundays. Tickets \$11.00pp, Children under 2 Free. Bookings: www.kidzstufftheatre.co.nz



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Get your friends together and enter a team into the Summer Netball & Football Competition! Held on Fridays, for children 5 years plus.

A great way to introduce players to the sport in a social, fun environment or for your winter teams to continue playing and keep active over summer!

8 weeks prior to Xmas and 8 weeks after Xmas.

Prize Giving after each round where "Player of the Day" certificates are handed out!

Come along and enjoy the fun family atmosphere!

Fundraising opportunities available!

JUMP ONLINE TODAY AND REGISTER YOUR TEAM!

SUMMER FOOTBALL | 5- ASIDE COMPETITION



Venue - Ian Galloway Park, Wilton.

2 X 13 minute halves

***NEW* Elite Under 14 Football Division**

SUMMER NETBALL



Venue - Marsden Collegiate School & Karori Normal School

7 aside (Yr 7, 8), 6 aside (Yr 5, 6),

5 aside (Yr 4 and below)

Term 4 | 30 Oct - 18 Dec 2020

Term 1 | 29 Jan - 19 March 2021

TO REGISTER A FOOTBALL TEAM

<https://membership.sportstg.com/regofrm.cgi?formID=95539>

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