



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

17 August 2021

Week 4, Term 3

## **Kia ora koutou**

### Notices from our weekly hui:



Ra whānau ki a koe! Happy birthday this week to:

Jonathan (Tūi)	Wairangi (Tūi)
Rosa (Tōtara)	Gail (Tōtara)
Sienna (Kākāriki)	Jordan (Ngaio)
Maia (Kererū)	

### Pānui/Messages:

- Clifford acknowledged all the children who contributed artwork for the Tumanako peace art and participated in the evening last week.

**Relievers** - Like many schools, we are having considerable difficulty securing relievers at the moment, especially when a teacher rings in unwell. We are having to quickly make decisions utilising staff that are actually employed to support certain children or run special programmes. I will also go into a classroom should that be needed and have done so on occasion.



**Sports Events Supervision** - When there are sports events, the lack of relievers and availability of parents adds to the pressure we are under to ensure there are enough teachers to attend these events and to cater for the children at school. This is why parent help at these events is essential. This week we may need to send two teachers to the

Western Zone netball when we should only need to send one. In future, if the combination of a lack of relievers and a lack of available parents continues I may need to cancel our attendance at a sports event to ensure classes can continue as planned at school.

**Getting ready for 2022** - We are beginning to think about next year and how classes will be structured. If you know that your child/children won't be returning next year it is helpful to let us know this. Also, if you have children who will be coming next year that we have not already recorded on our future enrolment lists, then please let Jillian know.

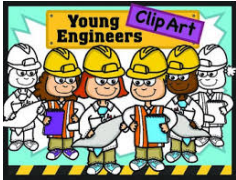


We are also interested to know if there may be people interested in their child/children attending the Otari Montessori senior class next year who we could add to our *Expression of Interest list* should we decide to advertise for enrolments within this strand later in the year. If you know any parents from other schools who may want a child or children to experience Montessori education in years 5,6,7 or 8 then let them know about this notice.



**BOT Meeting** - The Board of Trustees is meeting on Monday 23 August at 6:30pm.

**Taki Rua** will be performing for the school on Thursday 2 September. This performance was scheduled for term 1 but was postponed due a mini Covid19 lockdown. Quite a few students have already paid the \$4.00 cost. We would appreciate payment for those who have not paid or who are new to the school.



**EPro8 Competition** - Otari School has six teams competing in the EPro8 qualifying challenge this year. Beginning next Monday, each team of four students will work together to complete an engineering challenge, revealed on Monday morning. They will be competing against schools in our area, for the right to participate in the regional finals. Congratulations and good luck to all students involved.

**Taonga Horomata** – Tuku Marie - We are focusing on **Tolerance** again.



“The only way you can make sure people you agree with can speak - is to support the rights of people you don’t agree with”. *Eleanor Holmes Norton*



“If a profound gulf separates my neighbour’s belief from mine, there is always the golden bridge of tolerance.” *Anon*



Activity	Who's Involved	Date & Time	Cost
WZ Netball	Selected Students	Thurs 19 Aug	
EPro8 Qualifying Round	Selected Students	23 Aug – 16 Sept	
Taki Rua production	All Students	Thurs 2 Sept, 1.30pm	\$4.00
ArtSplash	Selected Students	Tues 14 Sept, 5pm	
St Brigid's Kapa Haka	Immersion Strand	Sat 18 Sept	
Life Education	All students	20-23 Sept	TBC

Ngā mihi  
Clifford



# Twilight Fair 6 November 2021



## Calling all crafters and makers!!

The craft stall at the school fair is a popular stop for fair-goers and we are looking to our talented crafters and makers for help and contributions. We've got a few things sorted already (such as beanies, scrunchies, beeswax wraps, baby jerseys and blankets) but there is plenty of scope to contribute your creativity! Craft stall convener Sheila, would love to hear from you with your ideas or if you'd like to help with making things for the stall – email her at [harveyandsheila@inspire.net.nz](mailto:harveyandsheila@inspire.net.nz).

## Get cracking on your condiments!

The deli stall is always a huge hit, so we will need lots of yummy preserves (jellies, jams, chutneys etc) to sell. It's probably wise to give yourself a bit of lead-in time to prepare these, so perhaps you could make the most of the cold weather and turn your kitchen into a preserving factory this weekend!!

On a related note, we have a request from a parent for clean **jam jars** – she needs around 24 for a batch of marmalade for the deli stall, so please drop them into the school office and she will collect them from there.

## Toys and Books

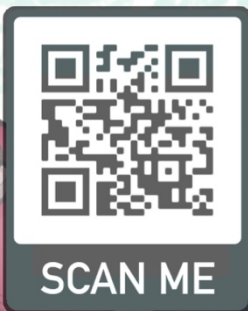
We are after your good quality children's books and toys, please! They need to be of a decent standard, and any sets (eg trains, board games, puzzles etc) need to be complete. Please box your donations up - we won't be able to take any books and toys until the start of term 4 and it'd be very helpful if we're able to store them easily.

As ever, feel free to email the fair committee with any queries on [otaritwilightfair@gmail.com](mailto:otaritwilightfair@gmail.com) - we will continue to provide updates in the coming weeks about what, when and how you can contribute, so please keep an eye on the school newsletter for details.



**Montessori at Otari Preschool and Playgroup** warmly invite interested families to our Open Day on Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> August, 10am – 12noon, at the Preschool (166 Wilton Road). If you know of anybody else who may be interested in our Playgroup and/or Preschool and would find the Open Day of interest, please let them know about this opportunity. We currently (and very rarely) have a few spaces available for immediate start. For more information phone 475 9688 or email [wcmp@xtra.co.nz](mailto:wcmp@xtra.co.nz).

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## Qisma Tech's STEM Holiday Programme

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Years 3 - 8

### When:

Monday 4th  
October - Friday  
15th October 2021  
(weekdays only)  
9 am to 3 pm

### Where:

Hataitai School,  
2 Arawa Road,  
Hataitai 6021

### Price:

\$80 per day

or

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