

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

22 February 2022

Week 4, Term 1

Kia ora koutou

Tomorrow, via email, you will receive our Otari School Covid-19 Response Plan. This has been approved by the Board of Trustees. The overall plan contains a **Safety Plan** that explains how we currently operate under Red Level and a **Response Plan** for the range of situations we may be faced with over the coming weeks or months.



Though comprehensive, the information is focussed on the greatest risks, therefore every possible scenario might not be covered. The plan provides the steps and guidelines within which we will operate and clarity in relation to the responses we will all need to be part of. However, it is not set in concrete and needs to be fluid due to the unpredictable aspects of this situation. Please read it thoroughly with this in mind.

The Safety Plan only covers the current Red level. You will be notified about how we operate under Orange when the time comes. The plan will also be put on our school website.

Your cooperation and understanding continues to be greatly appreciated.



Birthday's this week - Happy Birthday - Ra whanau ki a koe.... Evalana, Irirangi, K'Laycia, Reihana and William T.

Montessori Picnic: Wednesday 23 February - Whilst the sun is still shining and the cicadas are singing the annual Montessori Strand picnic will be on **Wednesday 23 February** at the Otari Bush troop picnic area. So that as many of you can make it, this will go from 5.00pm onwards.



Bring some takeaways, a picnic or sausages for the BBQ and outside games for the kids to play. It's a great chance to see old faces, meet new faces and for the kids to have some fun together. The Trust will supply the tomato sauce and mustard and bread for the BBQ.

On reviewing the Covid guidelines we can gather with <100 people if we request vaccine passes and 25 people if we don't. At this stage we will assume there will be less than 25 people. If there are more people than 25 people, we will need to check vaccine passes. Thanks for your understanding on this. We hope to see you there.



Montessori Trust Meeting: Monday 28 February - The Montessori Trust is having their first meeting of 2022 on **Monday 28 February at 7.30pm** in the school staffroom. If you are interested to find out more about the role of the Trust or are keen to get involved, we would love to see you there.

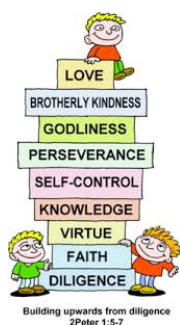
Edge Noticeboard - Our main noticeboard for regular announcements (i.e. Covid updates) is going to be on our Edge Student Management Platform. Parents are invited to download the app to access this and other information (including attendance and paying invoices). Accompanying this newsletter is a flyer explaining how to download the app.



Silent Auction \$500 Interislander Voucher - Interislander kindly donated a \$500 travel voucher* to auction/raffle at the school fair. Now there's no fair, but we still have a voucher, so hence the Silent Auction. Voucher will go to the highest bidder - all money received goes to Otari School. Starting price: \$50 - send your bid amount to kylaorr1@gmail.com. Bidding closes Tuesday 1 March 2022, 5pm. *The voucher does have some terms & conditions: Bookings and travel must be completed by 15

December 2022 and travel not valid between 14-19 April 2022. Voucher must be redeemed *in one booking and any amount not redeemed in that booking will be lost.*

Immunisations Yr 7/8 – Please ensure forms are completed and returned as soon as possible (even if you do not wish for your child to be immunised).



Taonga Horomata/Virtues

This week our virtue is Mahi Tahī (Collaboration) / Cooperation:

E hara taku toa i te toa takitahi, he toa takitini

My strength is not as an individual, but as a collective

Have a great week everyone.

Ngā mihi
Clifford

2022 Term Dates

Term 1: Tues 1 Feb – Wed 13 Apr

Term 2: Mon 2 May – Fri 8 Jul

Term 3: Mon 25 Jul – Fri 30 Sept

Term 4: Mon 17 Oct – Wed 14 Dec

Teacher Only Days: 14 Apr, Fri 3 June, Fri 19 Aug



Child Minder Wanted – Looking after a 7yr old during some evenings. Contact Barbie on 021 191 7417, barbarapaterson.nz@gmail.com.

Mainly Music for pre-schoolers on Wednesdays - Mainly Music is a fun interactive music session for pre-schoolers and their parents/caregivers to enjoy together on Wednesdays 9.30-10.45am at St Anne's Church Hall (cnr Northland & Randwick Roads). Includes morning tea and playtime. A lovely opportunity to build local connections. Come and check it out free of charge. Vaccine pass and mask required for entry please. Contact Catherine McIntosh northlandmainlymusic@gmail.com

Want to find out more about scouting? We have an exciting new programme this year with new leaders, so if you are looking for something new join us as a Kea (age 5-7), Cub (age 8-10) or Scout (age 11-14). Check us out at www.facebook.com/NorthlandScouts or email Northland.Scouts@gmail.com for more information.



KAT Theatre's Play-in-the-Park
The Sleeping Beauty Who Didn't
by Thomas Barker and Company

Season extended

February 19 & 20
and now also
26 & 27

1:30 & 3:30

Khandallah Park

Bad weather? - go to
KAT Theatre Facebook page.

Entry by koha
(EFTPOS available)

My Vaccine Pass required for entry
to roped-off-area in front of stage.

Did she wake in time
to save the kingdom
from a grasping
villain?



TENNIS
THE SMASH HIT SHOW
ALL AGES CIRCUS COMEDY

GRYPHON THEATRE | 6PM
1ST-5TH MARCH



Karori Junior Hockey Club winter registrations are open now till 6 March for the 2022 season at <https://kjhc.org.nz/>

Catering for the development needs of your child(ren)

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Before School Care



After School Care



Holiday Programmes



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