



Te Kura o Otari
Otari School

News

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Kia ora koutou

Welcome to a new child and her family: Maia Bouziad (Kowhai)

We enjoyed an entertaining Matariki celebration last week. Thank you Toni Huata and all the Immersion Strand whānau, kaiako and tamariki for all the work you put in to make this occasion so enjoyable.

Matariki food donations - Every year we collect food for the City Mission to help "keep the storehouses full" through the winter months. We would appreciate every child bringing an item of non-perishable food to contribute to this. We will be collecting for this over the next couple of weeks. Please send items to the school office foyer where a container will be available.

WZ Cross Country - Thank you to all our Western Zone Cross Country competitors who raced last Tuesday. The top 10 finalists were selected for the Wellington Zone competition; congratulations to Edward Thompson who came 6th in his race. Thank you parents who provided transport for this event.

Road Patrol Volunteers - Occasionally there are problems ensuring teachers are on road patrol. In a school of our size it can be a challenge to have teachers out on patrol, on time, every morning and afternoon. We do have a system, however it is not infallible. Children can also be absent, or forget and not get out on time. This does put children at risk. To minimise this risk we need to be vigilant from our end. Most importantly we must have an adult at the crossing by 8:40am in the morning, regardless of whether the students have arrived.

If we had parents rostered on as well, this would support our current roster. It is a busy crossing and two adults during the busiest time would be helpful. Children also cross the driveway. More than once I have seen near accidents. Also, if there were two adults rostered, this would make it more likely that if a teacher or the patrollers hadn't arrived the parent could send a reminder down to the office. At least there would be an adult at the crossing.

In the morning we have to be out on patrol at 8:40am and in the afternoon by 2:50pm. If you think you can help us out please fill in the form below. It would be great to have enough for both times, however the morning is the priority. Please indicate on the form below and send back to the office.

School Photos - A reminder that photos will be taken next Wednesday (22 June). All students will have an individual photo taken. If you want to have a sibling photo taken you must return the form sent home recently (there are spares in the office if needed).

Te Taonga Horomata: Ataahua. Our virtue is Beauty.

Beauty is a sense of wonder and reverence for the harmony, colour and loveliness of the world. Beauty opens us to the deep patterns of life that inform and delight us. It allows us to feel our connectedness with all creation. It calls us to look beyond superficial appearance to appreciate the gifts in each person.

Entertainment Books are available from the office (\$60 each). Alternately you can order online: <http://www.entertainmentbook.co.nz/orderbooks/10455w7>.

Yummy Stickers - Please continue to collect stickers from Yummy apples (and cut the tokens from Yummy bags) all year long. Sticker sheets can be downloaded from this website http://www.yummyfruit.co.nz/pdf/Sticker_Collection_Sheet.pdf.

Upcoming Events Calendar:

| Activity | Who's Involved | Date & Time | Cost |
|---------------------|------------------------|-------------|---------|
| Trip to Space Place | Tui, Kowhai, Kaikomako | Fri 17 June | \$10.00 |
| School Photos | All Otari Children | Wed 22 Jun | TBA |

Have a great week everyone.

Clifford

"The human soul needs actual beauty more than bread." *DH Lawrence*

Community Notices:

Northland family home for rent - Quality four bedroom family home with two large living spaces, deck and large sunny sheltered garden available for rent from early August 2016. Located opposite Northland School. For details contact Sarah on 04 976 7165 or 021 0232 9772.

Wadestown Community Matariki Event – Sunday 26 June, 4-5.30pm WPC Hall, Hanover Street. Weaving, Planting, Kai, Music, Stories. All ages welcome. Koha

Marrzipan Drama Classes (held at Otari School) - Are you ready for some news that is to make your day?! Marrzipan is coming back for Term 3 and we are opening a second class! SO....is your child shy? Do they feel intimidated by the idea of public speaking and performance? Do they sometimes find it difficult to make eye contact? Do they just need 45 minutes a week to take part in organised craziness?! Come and join Marrzipan! We run awesome drama classes, which focus on key life skills on Fridays after school! We play fun engaging games and perform at the end of term once to parents and once to the school. All scripts are original, engaging, educational and HILARIOUS. All children receive an end of term progress report too, along with a certificate to remind them they are awesome! Give me a call to sign your child up for Term 3. Contact Kay on 02102645487 or email kayla@marrzipandrama.co.nz.

Artrageous Kids July Extravaganza - July's regular Holiday Programme will run from 11–15 July and 18–22 July 2016 catering to children aged 5-12 years. Venue: Poneke Dojo, Prince of Wales Park, Salisbury Tce, Mt Cook, Big Kids July 2016 Holiday Programme 11–22 July (week days only) BOOK NOW. Big Kids will now run for two weeks. 11–15 July and 18-22 July 2016 catering to children aged 10-14 years. Our BIG KIDS week is aimed at children aged 10-14 years. Providing them with a space, focused adult attention and loads of resources. This programme is tailored to draw out older children's interest in creating, using their imagination and their creativity in a hilariously fun atmosphere. Venue: Vogelmorn Bowling Club 93 Mornington Rd, Brooklyn. www.artrageouskids.co.nz

Soccer Italian Style coming to Wellington, July 18 - 22 2016 - Professional football coaches from Empoli Football Club and ACF Fiorentina are coming to Wellington, in the 2nd week of the July school holidays, for a week long football camp. Supported by Wellington's FUSION School of Football and Auckland's TOP Flight Football Academy - the camp will provide a great opportunity for aspiring football players (7-14 years old) to upskill and learn from 2 talented Italian football coaches. 1 week only - \$250 ! Limited spaces - don't miss out! For more information - please visit <http://www.fsof.co.nz/sis/>

Adolescent Talk for Parents - Come along and hear Brainwave Trust presenter, Sarah Best, speak on the topic of "Unravelling the Adolescent Brain" to be held on Thursday 30th June at 7.30pm at Wa Ora Montessori School, High School Campus, 175 Rata Street, Naenae. Adolescence is an important 15 year period lasting from about the age of 8 to 10 years old through to the mid 20's. Recent research shows that there is a burst of new brain cell connections in late childhood and adolescence that is linked with risk taking and impulsive, emotional behaviours typical of teenagers. Tickets cost \$10 and can be purchased on the night at the door.

Cricket Wgtn Mini & Junior Blaze Winter Academies (now offered in different venues in Lower Hutt, Upper Hutt, Mana & Wellington City). These are all girl Academies. <http://www.cricketwellington.co.nz/community/female-cricket/winter-academies/>.

Circus School Holiday Fun! Two weeks of circus-themed activities for all school age children (5-15yrs) Single and multi-day bookings available. 9am-3pm, 11-14 & 18-21 July at Wellington's Circus Hub, 11 Hutchison Rd, Newtown, www.circus.org.nz.

Drama Classes - Our international curriculum will: Help explore creativity, Overcome shyness, Develop positive self esteem. Grow their imagination, Interact with adults, Make new friends. Have lots of fun. Fun after-school classes – 5 – 17 years. To enrol please call or see our website. 0800 161 131 www.helenogradynz.co.nz

Road Patrol

Name: _____

I can help out with Road Patrol on:

| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Any day |
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