



Te Kura o Otari
Otari School

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Kia ora koutou

Welcome to a new student and her family: Teowai Norris (Kakano)

Camp:

- **Medical Forms** - There are still 18 children who have not returned the forms. Another form is being sent home today. Please return it urgently.
- **Baking** - The senior school needs baking for camp. While the three main meals are provided for, morning and afternoon tea are not. If you are able to provide some baking for the camp, please send it to school on the Monday before camp. Please label the baking, and note if it is gluten free. (There are a few children and adults who are gluten intolerant.) Any contribution will be most appreciated! A reminder that children need to bring a packed lunch with them on Tuesday.

Goal Setting Interviews - There is much value in children participating with their parents and their teacher early in the year to identify and set goals. Engaging whānau in the education of their children is a key factor in student success. We are most appreciative that parents are utilising this opportunity to be involved in their children's learning, and to reinforce the importance of this three way partnership.

Message from Parking Warden - Following complaints to the council regarding cars parking on the footpath, a parking warden monitored the situation this morning. He has asked me to communicate to parents the following information.

- Parking on the curb may result in a \$40.00 fine and can also result in the vehicle being towed away.
- It is illegal to park on the footpath, but not illegal to park on the road, as long as it is not obscuring traffic, therefore parking along the school side fence is not illegal as long as your wheels are not on the footpath.

Emergency Form - Please return the attached form with your updated details as soon as possible. If you have recently enrolled there is no need to fill it in.

Scholastic Books - Please have orders to the office by this Friday.

Extra Stationery Requirements - The following classes require books only available from the school office. Please ensure your child purchases the books urgently.

- Pohutukawa - Goal Setting Diary **\$6.00**

- Kereru - Handwriting Book **\$3.00**
- Ngaio - Handwriting Book **\$3.00**
- Kakano Yr 2 & 3 - Handwriting Book **\$3.00**

Fees Payable:

Camp - Yr 7/8s - **\$220**. All students **must** pay a deposit of **\$55** before 2 March.

Technology for Yr 7/8s - **\$50.00**

Swimming for Yr 1/2s - **\$40.00**

School Picnic - **\$5.00**

Class Consumables - **\$10.00** per child

Photocopying - A donation of **\$10** per child for photocopying & printing would also be appreciated.

Te Taonga Horomata: Whakaaro-atawhai. Our virtue is Courtesy
Courtesy is a way to honour others, showing them how much they matter to us by how we treat them. Those closest to us need our courtesy most of all. Courtesy is the mirror of their value.

Upcoming Events Calendar:

Activity	Who's Involved	Date & Time	Cost
Goal Setting Interviews	Everyone	24/25/26 Feb	
Camp	Yr 7/8s	3,4,5,6 Mar	\$220
Proposed Sleepover	Yr 3-6 students	Wed 4 Mar	
Athletics Day	Everyone	Tues 24 Mar - TBC	

Have a great week everyone.

Ngā mihi nui
Clifford

"Of all the things you wear, your expression is the most important."
Janet Lane

Community Notices: (Please note these notices are passed on to us and are not necessarily an endorsement)

Car Pool - The Curtis whānau (Holly in Totara and Dylan in Kakano) are moving to Johnsonville. We're looking for someone the kids can ride to school with two mornings a week. If you live in Johnsonville and can help, please call Ceinwen 027-438-1809 or 473-5228. We're flexible and happy to reciprocate.

Guitar Lessons – There are still a few places left for guitar tuition at school. If you would like your child to receive one to one tuition, please contact Charles Newcombe on newcombe.l@xtra.co.nz or call 236-5882.

Family Fun Race - Team Up Northland will be held on Sunday 15th March, 1pm. It is a family fun race where teams of one child/one adult team up to complete a series of mystery challenges; physical, creative and academic. If you would like to be part of this fun community event please visit northland.school.nz and look under the Home & School Committee section.

The Newlands Junior Rugby Club registrations. Fun for all ages, no previous playing experience necessary. We have mixed grades of U6, U7 and U8 Ripa Rugby and our gender tackle grades range from U9 – U11. Registrations on Mon 23 Mar, 5.30pm – 7.15 at the Newlands Community Centre and Wed 1 Apr, 6pm – 8pm at the Johnsonville Rugby Clubrooms, Helston Park. Online registrations at <http://www.sportsground.co.nz/newlands>. 04 938 5377.