



Te Kura o Otari
Otari School

News

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Talofa lava - This week is Samoan Language Week. We have included a few Samoan salutations:

Welcome:	Afio mai a Maliu mai a Susu mai a Mapu mai a	Goodbye:	Fa'a-soifua ia Faa-tofa la	Please: Faamolemole Thank You: Faafetai tele lava Malo Faafatai
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Cross Country - The Cross Country starts at 1pm tomorrow in Wilton Park. The first race will be the year 1 children. If the weather is bad, the cross country will be postponed until Friday. The year 3 children have a sports tournament on Friday and will therefore have their race when they return, which will be before 2pm.

Congratulations to Steve Devine (Classroom Release Teacher) who obtained his Full Teacher Registration last week. Following graduation, teachers in New Zealand are provisionally registered until they fulfill certain requirements, including two years of teaching in at least a .5 position (half a week). The teachers and students appreciate Steve's strengths in science, technology, art, music and IT. We wish him every success as he continues his teaching career.

Parking - The parks in front of the fence (by the office) are reserved for Preschool parents with babies, in the morning between 8:30 and 9:30am and in the afternoon between 2.30 and 3.30pm. At all other times these parks are for visitors.

Clothing - I have noticed today that a few children are not dressed appropriately for the weather. Running around in shorts and a T shirt is expected in February, but not in the last week of May! Keeping warm over Winter months can help prevent colds, flu or more serious health conditions. Please make sure your child/children are warmly dressed for the cold weather and help keep our whole community healthy over the following months.

Chocolate - The chocolates have been distributed. Thank you to those of you who have offered to sell them. A reminder that for each box sold you get one entry into a prize draw. Good luck! If you received a whole box of Dark Ghana and wish to exchange it for a mixed box, please return it to school. Orders for Good Soap will be distributed next week.

Guitar lessons - Due to the Cross Country on Wednesday, guitar lessons will be on Thursday. Monday 1 June lessons will be on Tuesday.

Entertainment Books – Books are now available. The book offers some great bargains to all sorts of places: LaserForce, PaintBall Corp, Daytona Raceway, Ten Pin Bowling, NZ Symphony Orchestra, NZ Opera, NZ Rugby Museum, Wgtn Phoenix, Staglands, local cinemas, heaps of bakeries, cafes, fine dining, DVD hire and McDonalds etc. Let Jillian know if you would like one or you can order it online: <http://www.entbook.co.nz/10455w7>.

Yummy Sticker Promotion is on again in 2015. Its time to start collecting Yummy apple stickers and the cut-out labels on the Yummy 1.5 apple bags. This year there are some exciting new varieties of apples available, SWEETANGO, AMBROSIA and LEMONADE. There is a special 'New Variety Sticker Sheet' available to get you DOUBLE your sticker points. This is available at <http://www.yummyfruit.co.nz/schoolstickerpromo>. Sticker sheets can be downloaded from or you can just stick them to a sheet of paper - they just need to be easy to count. The school receives a great supply of new sports equipment for your efforts. Send completed sheets to the office.

Matariki 2015

Matariki is a time to acknowledge, commemorate and celebrate the year that has gone and the New Year to come. Matariki is a time to learn about your whānau and a time to remember those who have passed on from this world to the next. Matariki is a time for new beginnings, our Pacific New Year and a time for harvesting kai.....so to celebrate, we invite you all to an evening concert celebration with kai, entertainment and whakawhanaungatanga on:

Thursday 25 June 2015, 5.30-7.30pm, Ōtari School Hall

Sausage Sizzle (gold coin donation)

Please bring a plate to share - kia kaitahi tātau!

Our virtues this week are Discernment and Righteousness.

Discernment: With contemplative vigilance, we open ourselves to clarity. We list deeply for the true questions, trusting that the answer will unfold and reveal itself when the time is right. We become alert to the messages that come in subtle and surprising ways.

Righteousness: We don't stand in judgement of others. Righteousness is one thing, Self-righteousness is another. We don't shame ourselves when we go off track. We discern the lesson in the teachable moment and gently call ourselves back to the virtues. We resist being driven by our egos.

Upcoming Events Calendar:

Activity	Who's Involved	Date & Time	Cost
School Cross Country	Everyone	Wed 27 May, 1.00pm	
Yr 3 Sports Festival	Yr 3s	Fri 29 May, 9.00am	
WZ Cross Country	Selected children	Tues 9 June	
School Photos	All children	Wed 24 June	TBA
Matariki Event	Everyone	Thurs 25 June, 5.30pm	
WZ Hockey Tournament	Selected children	Tues 30 June	
Immunisations	Yr 8 Girls	Fri 3 Jul	

Have a great week everyone. **Don't forget its Queen's Birthday weekend so there is no school on Monday.**

La soifua ma ia manuia (Be well and Prosper)
Clifford

"We should not fret for what is past,
nor should we be anxious about the
future; men of discernment deal only
with the present moment.

Chanakya

Separate Notice sent home recently: Nil

College Dates:

Wellington College – 2015 Key Enrolment dates for Yr 9 2016

Mon 3 Aug – Applications for out of zone must be received

Sat 20 June – Open morning for Yr 9, 10.30am. Mon 22 June – Open Morning for Yr 9, 9.30 – 11.am

Thurs 19 Nov – Yr 9 Induction Day Thurs 26 Nov - Yr 9, Parents Evening

Upcoming open evenings/mornings

Wellington High - Monday, June 15th - 6pm

Onslow College - Thursday, June 18th - 5pm

Wellington Girls College - Tuesday, June 23rd - 9am, 10.30am or 11.30am

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

A Little Bit Of Britain is a new online store selling British food & goodies. Its super easy, affordable, delivered NZ wide and to rural addresses too. Come check us out at www.alittlebitofbritain.co.nz and order yourself a taste of home.

Au pair/Nanny wanted - We are family of 4 (soon to be 5) who is looking for a part time nanny/au pair to help us with minding our boys (4 and 2 years) and light house work. We are offering a live in option (we are in Karori) and would love to meet you to discuss details (like hours, responsibilities, conditions, etc) if you are interested. Please ring, text or email us: Lolita (0226366786/lolita.kristine@gmail.com) or Richard (0211723558/rich.jurevics@gmail.com).