



Te Kura o Otari  
Otari School

# News

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Kia ora koutou

Welcome to a new child and his family: Anthony Liyanage (Kakano)

We enjoyed Book Week and Te Reo o Te Wiki Māori. Both weeks serve to highlight important areas of learning and self development, and they do not begin or end with a special week. However, the opportunity to promote te reo and book reading in the one week was well utilised, with author visits, a literacy quiz, and classroom activities. The dress up day on Friday was a lot of fun. Check out the photos on our school facebook page. Thank you parents for all your support last week.

**Hui Whānau** - Tonight, 5:30 pm - 7:00 pm, in Tui.

**Scentsy** - Information regarding this fundraiser is being sent home today.

**Parent Interviews** are in Week 6 (24-27 August). Details will be in next weeks newsletter.

**School Patrollers** - This Friday, we would love all our wonderful school patrollers to dress up in orange to celebrate Orange Day.

**Wilton Montessori Education Trust Presents: Unravelling the Mystery of the Adolescent Brain.** Adolescence is an important 15 year period starting about 10 years of age through to the mid 20's. The Brainwave Trust presentation explores the brain changes that help adults understand many of the adolescent behaviours. The presentation will cover:

- The emotional and impulsive behaviour of the teenage years
- Understand risk taking behaviour from a different perspective
- Understand how decisions are made differently when peers are involved
- Explore some of the implications these changes have on the everyday life of a teenager

**Date:** Tuesday 18 August 7.00pm - 9.00pm. **Where:** Northland Community Hall, Northland  
**Price:** \$15 a ticket. **To Book tickets email** [brainwavetrust.tickets@gmail.com](mailto:brainwavetrust.tickets@gmail.com).

**Marrzipan Drama** will be holding drama classes at Otari School after school on Fridays. Flyers have been sent home today. Visit [www.marrzipandrama.co.nz](http://www.marrzipandrama.co.nz) for more details.

***Te Taonga Horomata: Whaka-hoahoa. Our virtue is Friendliness***  
*Friendliness is reaching out to others with warmth and caring. It is the willingness to be an intimate companion. Friendship is essential to our souls. We value ourselves enough to know that we deserve true companionship. We attract others by what we are willing to contribute. What we give we get.*

#### Upcoming Events Calendar:

Activity	Who's Involved	Date & Time	Cost
Whānau Hui	Immersion strand	Tues 4 August, 5.30pm	
Parent Interviews	Parents/Caregivers	25-27 August	
School Panto - The Pied Piper	Everyone	15,16,17 September	TBA
St Brigid's Kapa Haka Festival	Everyone	Sat 19 Sept	

Have a great week everyone.

Ngā mihi nui,  
Clifford

"I don't need a certain number of friends,  
just a number of friends I can be certain of."  
*Alice Walker*

**Notices sent home recently: Nil**

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

**The hugely successful Kids Cross Country Series** is coming to Tawa on Sunday 16 August. These events are run around the Wellington region. There are races for pre schoolers (Year 0s) through to year 8s. They're heaps of fun for the kids and if you register by this Sunday 9 August your child will receive a personalised race bib on the day that they get to keep as a memento of their day. Only \$7 per child to enter. Medals are awarded to those who finish in the top three, and there are certificates for team awards. With close to 600 taking part in each event so far this year it's an event not to be missed. If your child loves running give it a go. For more details or to enter go to [www.athleticshub.co.nz](http://www.athleticshub.co.nz). If you have any questions phone Jo Murray at 021 976116 or email [jo@athleticswellington.org.nz](mailto:jo@athleticswellington.org.nz)

**Do You Want To Play Junior Softball?** Johnsonville Junior Softball is looking for players for T-Ball, Mini-Pitch and Softball, ages 5 – 17. Come along to our registration events: Sunday 30th August 2015 – 11am – 1pm, Thursday 3rd September 2015 – 6.00pm – 7.30pm, Thursday 10th September 2015 – 6.00pm – 7.30pm. Phillip Street Clubrooms (corner of Phillip Street and Moorefield Road, Johnsonville) Registration Fee - includes uniform, team photo: \$65 for 1 child, \$120 for 2 children, \$145 for 3 children \$160 for 4+ children. Interested in learning more? Go to [www.jvillesc.org.nz](http://www.jvillesc.org.nz).



# Sushi Lunches

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