



**Te Kura o Otari  
Otari School**

**News**

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

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## ***Matariki 2017***

***Tonight, 5.30-7.30pm, Ōtari School Hall***

Sausage Sizzle (gold coin donation)

Star Hunt (bring your own torch)

Please bring a plate to share - kia kaitahi tātau!

**School Photos** are tomorrow. Don't forget that if you wish to have a sibling photo taken you must return the flyer that was sent home recently.

Nau mai, haere mai ki te Kura o Otari

**Matariki** - Thank you to all whānau involved in organising the Matariki celebration this evening. We appreciate the enthusiasm and commitment you have put into this meaningful mid-winter event that fosters our value of whanaungatanga in such an authentic way as we come together to celebrate the Māori New Year.

**BOT Meeting** - The next Board of Trustees meeting is Monday 26 June, 7pm in the staffroom.

**T-Shirts** - PLEASE RETURN all school t-shirts urgently. We need to use them next week and only a few have been returned from the last event.

**Scholastic Books** - Please have orders to the office by tomorrow afternoon at the very latest.

**Matariki Food Collection** - We are collecting tinned food for the local food bank. Please donate what you can; there will be a box left in the Community Room (next to the office).

**Chocolate Fundraiser** – If you haven't yet made payment for the chocolate please do so as soon as possible; either cash, cheque or EFT-POS at the office or online banking to 060561-0017355-00. A box is \$72.00. We would like this all finalised and paid for by the end of the term.

***Te Taonga Horomata – Whakaaro Ake. Virtue: Initiative***

*We accept responsibility as an engaging opportunity to apply our own ideas. We spring to a challenge with enthusiasm. We call on discernment to forge a new way. We use our creativity to bring something new into the world. With initiative, we dare to be original.*

*'A window of opportunity won't open itself.'* Dave Weinbaum

**Upcoming Events Calendar:**

Activity	Who's Involved	Date & Time	Cost
School Photos	All students	Wed 21 June	
WZ Hockey	Selected Students	Tues 27 June	

Ngā mihi nui  
Clifford

**Community Notices:** *(Please note: Notices are sent to us. They are not an endorsement)*

**Drama Classes** - Our international curriculum will: Help explore performance skills, creativity, overcome shyness, develop positive self esteem, grow their imagination, interact with adults and make new friends. Have lots of fun. Fun after-school classes – 5 – 17 years. Held in Khandallah, Tawa, Lower Hutt, Whitby. To enrol please call or see our website. 0800 161 131 [www.helenogradynz.co.nz](http://www.helenogradynz.co.nz)

**Everyone Out Winter Series** - An adventure treasure hunt for families in Otari-Wilton's Bush. You'll probably get wet, will definitely get dirty, are likely to learn something new and you'll absolutely have fun. July 1st, 12.30 - 3.30pm, \$20 - \$30 per team of up to 6 people. Tickets available from [www.eventfinda.co.nz](http://www.eventfinda.co.nz). For more details check us out on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/everyoneout/](https://www.facebook.com/everyoneout/) Also check out the second event in the Winter Series Everyone out in the Botanic Gardens.