



Te Kura o Otari  
Otari School

# News

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Kia ora koutou

Welcome back everybody for term 2. I hope you all enjoyed the holiday break.

We welcome three new students:

Zoe Charles (Pohutukawa)

Nathan Little (Pohutukawa)

TeTiriti Dalton (Kakano)

We also welcome three new staff members: Sally Barraud and Claudette Wicks both working in the Montessori strand and Kate Shaw working in Kakano.

**Board Election** - Nomination forms have been posted to all parents/caregivers regarding the upcoming election. Please ensure you get the nomination form to the school office by no later than Friday 20 May.

**Netball** - A reminder that the first netball games for the season start this Saturday, 7th May. If your child is participating, you should have received information about game times from your child's coach/manager by email. If not, they will be bringing home a hard copy of the draw this week. Please contact Susan if you have any queries. We wish the teams the best of luck for their first game.

**Te Reo Māori lessons:** Are you interested in learning or increasing your Māori language knowledge or usage in the home, with your children, family or community? We are taking registrations for those interested in a 5 week course in the school hall in Term Two &/or Three 6:30-7:30pm on Thursday nights. Numbers are limited and this course will be offered if at full capacity. For dates, registration and further details please email: [waahuu@extra.co.nz](mailto:waahuu@extra.co.nz) or text/call 021 639 790 asap and before 5pm May 10th 2016.

**Entertainment Books** - We are selling these books again this year. To pre-order, go to the following link: <http://www.entertainmentbook.co.nz/orderbooks/10455w7>. Books will be available in April.

**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](http://www.yummyfruit.co.nz/pdf/Sticker_Collection_Sheet.pdf).

## **"Keeping you in the Loop" - A weekly update of news, events and activities:**

- We look forward to having Clifford back on board next week
- The MARCIE project continues this week
- Immunisations for Yr 7s and Year 8 girls is on Thursday.

Ngā mihi nui

Susan

### **Community Notices:**

**LUNCHTIME FRENCH CLASSES TERM 2 2016** - Free demo lesson Monday 9 May. The lunchtime French classes are held every Monday in the school hall at lunchtime, children bring their lunch with them. Free demo lesson to be held on Monday 9 May and in the school hall. Bring your lunch! Games, songs, drama and stories are taught in a relaxed and friendly atmosphere with the emphasis being on FUN! Language resources available to support parents at home!

**OTHER CLASSES AVAILABLE:** After-school French classes are also held in Thorndon, Karori, Khandallah, and Hataitai. Spanish and Mandarin also offered subject to demand.

New this year: Easy Online Registration.

Contact: Annick on 021 462 042 or email [annick@lcfclubs.co.nz](mailto:annick@lcfclubs.co.nz) or visit [www.lcfclubs.co.nz](http://www.lcfclubs.co.nz) for more information.

**Blended Family Success Workshop** - Discover how to help children adjust to step family life and create a united, supportive home life. Overcome common obstacles and learn practical strategies that really work from New Zealand's leading stepfamily presenter. Only one Wellington workshop this year. Numbers limited. You must register to secure your place. When: Saturday 28th May, 9am to 4pm. Venue: Sapphire Consultants, Petone. For more information go to [www.blendedfamilyfocus.com/workshop](http://www.blendedfamilyfocus.com/workshop) email: [adele@BlendedFamilyFocus.com](mailto:adele@BlendedFamilyFocus.com) Or phone/txt: 021 404 742

**Race to Explore Wellington Zoo**, then Greater Wellington, with the Metlink City Safari, May 15 This awesome family adventure sees teams start by racing to explore Wellington Zoo, before heading out to explore greater Wellington. This year's event has a wild animal theme. 'Wild Animals' will be located all over Greater Wellington. A map book will show you exactly where they are - your challenge is to find the quickest and smartest way to visit the most of these - both by foot and by all forms of public transport. You may be racing to catch the ferry to Seatoun, the Cable Car to Kelburn, a train to Tawa, or a bus to Queensgate. 3 and 6 hour events are available. Details and registration is at [www.citysafari.org.nz](http://www.citysafari.org.nz). Numbers are limited.