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Nau mai haere mai ke te Kura of Otari

Waharoa Unveiling: Monday 12th September 9.00am. Several years ago the Board put aside money from a land sale for the replacement of the Waharoa panels that had deteriorated. Last year the school engaged carver, Nathan Rei, for this project. Nathan has liaised with the school to ensure the carvings represent the three strands of Te Kura o Otari and the values we cherish. We will be unveiling the Waharoa on Monday 12 September at 9:00am. All strands will be involved in the ceremony and all Te Kura o Otari Whānau are invited to this special occasion. The completion of the Waharoa is truly something to celebrate! The Māori Immersion Strand will be co-ordinating the kai and we ask for all families to bring a plate for morning tea (dropped off to the hall between 8.30 and 8.45am). Contact jofullelove@gmail.com

Science Fair - Once again some students from Otari School participated in the Wellington Regional Science Fair that was held at University of Wellington last week. We had six entries in the fair. These came from the senior classes of Tui, Totara and Ngaio. We are really happy to announce that two of the entries from Tui were awarded prizes. Their science investigation was done in Te Reo Maori.

Maarie Apanui-Barr was awarded two prizes. One from the Society for Maori Astronomy Research and Traditions and the other from Te Kawa a Maui - School of Maori Studies for her investigation titled He Whetu Ki Tua. The other student receiving a prize was Pakira Pancholi from Te Kawa a Maui for his investigation on Minecraft and Mods.

The other participants were Max Coram and Aidan Kohing, Maxwell Sheppard-Morison and William Thompson, Alec Forgan and Norbert de Wit and finally Tommy Thomson and Ira Griffen. All the children have worked very hard on their science projects. Well done to them all. Seetha

Yummy Stickers - Please send any stickers in asap.

Te Taonga Horomata: Aaro-nui. Our virtue is Consideration Consideration is giving careful thought to the needs of others. It is also holding a decision in a contemplative and thoughtful way. We mindfully consider what will result from our choices before we act. We speak with gentleness and tact. We care about others and their feelings.

Upcoming Events Calendar:

| Activity | Who's Involved | Date & Time | Cost |
|-----------------------|------------------|---------------------|------|
| Waharoa Unveiling | Everyone | Mon 12 Sept, 9.00am | |
| St Brigid's Kapa Haka | Immersion strand | Sat 17 Sept | |

Have a great week everyone.

Ngā mihi nui Clifford 'Every human being is entitled to courtesy and consideration. Constructive criticism is not only to be expected but sought'. *Margaret Chase Smith*

Term Dates 2017

Term 1: Wed 1 Feb – Wed 12 Apr (school closed: TOD Thurs 13 April)

Term 2: Mon 1 May – Fri 7 July (school closed: Fri 2 June TOD & 5 June Queens Birthday)

Term 3: Mon 24 July - Fri 29 Sept

Term 4: Mon 16 Oct – Tues 19 Dec (school closed: Labour weekend: 23 Oct)

Community Notices:

Northland Scout Jamboree Fundraiser - Looking for some end of merino clothing, for spring or great christmas gifts. Come along to the BabyBundles open day and support Northland Scouts fundraising. 15% of all sales will be donated, plus you save 30% off on the day. Sunday 11 Sep, 1-5 pm 138 Pembroke Rd.

Looking To Start Drama Classes? Kids 4 Drama classes teach clear communication, vocal techniques, and the art of improvisation, mime, character portrayal and general performance and public speaking skills. These lessons are wrapped up in a unique framework that promises loads of fun and are an excellent confidence-building tool. We offer introductory and advanced classes. To be sent an information pack or to trial one of our community classes, please email becca@kids4drama.co.nz

Pride Escape is returning in 2017! With more adventures to be enjoyed such as mini-quad bikes in the bush, skiing on Mt. Ruapehu, exploring glow worm caves in Waitomo, Action World theme parks in Taupo, Black water rafting in the South and so much more to explore and enjoy in our beloved country. In summer 2017, we will be escaping to Taupo. Two groups will be traveling together: Juniors (9 -13 years) and Seniors (13 – 17 years). Pride Escape has been a popular programme and so we have decided to take bookings a term in advance. To see more about past Pride Escape Programmes, visit our Facebook page: http://www.Facebook.com/PrideLandsChildcare.

Looking for something for your kids to do these holidays? The Karori Recreation Centre offers a full care Holiday Programme for children aged 5-12 years. Each day is a new opportunity to explore different activities, crafts and sports, including trips to different fun venues such as Laserforce, Mission Inflatable and the pool. For more information or to book please check out the Holiday Programme webpage, or contact our friendly staff on (04) 476 8090 or karori.rec@wcc.govt.nz. Booking for September/October program are open now!

Artrageous Kids Holiday Programme Bookings are open www.artrageouskids.co.nz.

Drama Holiday Programme - Drama Remedy holiday programmes are a great opportunity to expose your child to the art of drama & speech with our exciting and enjoyable workshops. October Holiday programme will be 3 days of activities based on Play Production with the final day on a guided tour of the St. James' Theatre. To enrol or for more details contact (04) 478 5962 or 022-027-3316 dramaremedy@gmail.com or visit our website www.dramaremedy.co.nz.



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