



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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Nau mai, haere mai ki te Kura o Otari

Welcome to a new child and his family: Atticus Manuel-Lowry (Kaikomako)

We are very proud of our cross country runners who qualified for the regional event. They were Edward Thompson, Hannah Waite, Anton Luatua, Sky Gobbi and Luisa Shelton. It was a very competitive field and we are pleased with their results.

Reports are going out tomorrow. There are a couple of changes that you will notice from last year's mid year report.:

- We are now reporting on every curriculum area at mid year.
- We report in relation to the expected curriculum level.
- There is a graph that makes clear the expectation for each year level. It shows an expected achievement range, with the darkest part of the line showing where most children are expected to be working at.
- We are reporting in relation to the Key Competencies or Graduate Profile first. We are doing this to highlight the important place these skills, values, attitudes and behaviours have in relation to life long learning, achievement and well being.

Disco - A big thank you to all our lovely helpers and organisers who created a wonderful disco. The children had a great evening. Many thanks to parents for supporting this.

School Survey - Please ensure you fill in the survey by Friday; we need as many responses as possible. You can do this by using this link: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/GMCSQCF> (just cut and paste it into your search engine if the link does not work).

Dates for next term:

- Mon 23 July: Immunisations for Yr 7 children
- Tues 24 July: NZ Playhouse 'Red Riding Robyn Hood' (Cost is \$5 per child. For those families who have already paid for the cancelled picnic, those funds will be allocated to this show.)
- 8-30 Aug: Scholastic Book Fair

Code Club, Term 3 – There will be no Code Club on the first Monday of next term as the Code Club teachers and volunteers will be using this time to plan for the term. We have lots of ideas for new projects to try with the children, including learning to use HTML. If you know of anyone who would like to volunteer with helping run our club, their help would be welcome. Please email sacha@otari.school.nz.

Chocolate – Many thanks to everyone who has sold chocolate; a great effort! There are 5 boxes that have been returned unsold. If you could possibly sell a little more, please let Jillian know (office@otari.school.nz). Please send in the money or deposit into the school account (060561-0017355-00) as soon as possible. \$72 per box.

Yummy Fruit Stickers – Please keep collecting stickers or cut out the label on the plastic bags. Sheets can be downloaded from: <http://www.yummyfruit.co.nz/schoolstickerpromo>
We have until the end of September to collect as many as possible.

Have a lovely holiday everyone; see you back here on Monday 23 July. A reminder that the term finishes on Friday at 2.55pm.

Ngā mihi nui
Clifford

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

Wadestown Wilton Horticultural Society – You are invited to an Adult and Child Afternoon. Individually or together you will be taught by Vicky to create a Bird Feeder and Miniature Fairy Garden in a Teacup. All equipment provided at a cost of \$20. Monday 9 July at 2pm, St Luke's Centre (Corner Wadestown Road & Pitt Street). Phone Ann 027-428-9160 or 232-8862 to book a place.

Garden Explorers at Wellington Botanic Garden and Otari Wilton's Bush Holiday Programme, 8.30am – 3.30pm, for 5 – 12 year olds. \$50 per day (multi-day discount available). 10 July @ Otari-Wilton's Bush Meet at the Information Centre. 11, 12, 18, 19 July @ Wellington Botanic Garden Meet at the Discovery Garden learning pavilion. Book now! wellington.govt.nz/botanickids

Sunshine Drama provides a creative and fun learning space for students aged 4 - 13 years of age. Sessions engage imaginative minds, grow confidence & build communication, performance and social skills. For class information or to arrange a free trial class, contact: Jenae 0274380533 or visit www.sunshinedrama.co.nz.

Marrzipan Drama Holiday Workshops - developing self confidence and public speaking ability in a fun, relaxed atmosphere. 1-5 day courses available running 8.30am-5.00pm for \$60 per day or \$270 for the whole week. For more information check out our website. Spaces limited to 16 per group so your child gets the special attention they deserve!

W: www.marrzipandrama.co.nz E: workshops@marrzipandrama.co.nz T: 0272170693

Also, if you are interested in learning a little more about us, the company director has started writing articles about her experience with pregnancy and our upcoming Marzi-baby!! In the first article below, it covers her years of infertility. Check it out, it's well worth a read!

<https://www.marrzipandrama.co.nz/single-post/2018/06/20/Infertility-and-finally-a-Baby-Announcement>