



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 term 3 everyone! We are looking forward to another busy and productive term ahead.

A special welcome to our new tamariki and their whānau:

Sylvie Robertson (Kākano)

Riva Bouzaid (Kaikōmako)

Ada Riden (Kākano)

Kahukura Parsons (Kaikōmako)

Allysa Santos (Pōhutukawa)

Nau mai haere mai ki te kura o Otari!

Keeping you in the loop...

Today the children watched a play, 'Red Riding Robyn Hood' presented by NZ Playhouse.

All classes have new 43inch TV screens in their rooms. These all have Chrome Cast and provide teachers with the ability to enhance their learning programmes in a number of ways.

Montessori Strand - Sally Barraud (Ngaio class) is currently in the USA attending Montessori workshops as part of her work towards her Montessori diploma. We are fortunate to have Seetha relieving for her.

Māori Immersion Strand - Whaea Cilla is continuing to provide 10 hours of extra support in Kaikōmako this term as well as Whaea Katrina, who will be providing an extra day.

Original Strand - The refurbishment of Tōtara and Kererū is now scheduled to begin in the fourth term.

School Cellphone - The school has purchased a cellphone as a way of enhancing our parent-school communication. The cell phone will be especially important for communication in an emergency, or a school closure, however it will also provide parents with a number to text if a child is away from school. It is also a means of having all absences sent to one number before 9.00am and then recorded in our morning message

book that goes around each class. The phone will be checked before school begins. After that please use other means of communication.

For emergency purposes we would like as many cell phone numbers as possible on this phone. If you haven't already done so, please text your name and cell phone number to 022 561 3368 so you can be added to the contact list. We know that a lot of children have cell phones and should there be an emergency it would be helpful for parents to get the same message or messages from the school itself.

If you cannot do this or do not wish to do this please remember that for important notifications we also use the school website and face-book page.

Other news will be communicated through class newsletters.

Code Club, Term 3 – Code Club will be starting back next Monday. We have lots of great kids but we welcome any Y4 children and above who are keen to come along. We are also looking for any parents or whānau who would be interested in volunteering. We already have two fabulous experienced parent volunteers but would be keen to have one more, particularly to help with the children starting out. No experience necessary, you can learn alongside the children!

Code Club is on Monday's at 3.10-4.10pm and we use the school Chrome Books. It is free but this term we are requesting a voluntary gold coin koha as we are keen to purchase some hardware for the children to use. This would then be available to the wider school. If you have any queries please email Sacha at sacha@otari.school.nz.

Chocolate – There are four boxes remaining to be sold. If you could possibly sell a little more, please let Jillian know (office@otari.school.nz).

Sushi Lunches are delivered every Tuesday. Place your order for Tuesday's via www.ezlunch.co.nz. Orders are accepted up until 9.00am on a Tuesday morning. A full menu, prices and allergy information can be obtained via your ezlunch account. **Please note there will be no sushi deliveries on Tuesday 14th August.**

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 great week everyone.

Ngā mihi nui
Clifford

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

Kelly Sports Term 3 2018: Kelly Sports will be back in Term 3 with their fun and exciting classes. **'Play Like a Sports Hero' (Yrs 1-4) – Wednesday lunchtimes.** Come and try **Football, Netball, Ripa Rugby and Handball.** Try 2 weeks each of these sports. We use games & drills to teach game sense and team play. It's a great way to try new sports, learn new skills and improve ability. We use games & drills to teach game sense and team play. Learn the fundamental skills for all sports – throwing, running, jumping, striking, balance and many more – all while having a great time! For full details and to enrol into our programmes visit: www.kellysports.co.nz email adminwgt@kellysports.co.nz.