



**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

School Closed 15 August - Please see below a notice from Catherine Thompson, Board Chairperson:

Dear Whānau

School Closure on Wednesday 15 August for NZEI strike

As you will have heard through the media, principals and teachers throughout New Zealand will be striking on Wednesday, 15 August. The principal and teachers at Otari will be taking part in that strike.

The Board has carefully considered the availability of teaching staff, and as we will not be able to provide the normal teaching services during the strike, we have resolved to close the school.

Please ensure you make alternative arrangements for the care of your child/children on the day of the strike.

Thank you for your understanding.

*Yours sincerely
Catherine Thompson
Chair Board of Trustees*

Kia Kaha Te Reo Māori; Māori Language Week 7-16 September - Otari School will be participating in a parade through town on Monday 10 September. More details to follow.

Sushi - A reminder that there is no sushi available next Tuesday.

Te Taonga Horomata: Wana. Virtue: Zeal

Zeal is passion for a purpose we deeply value. We follow a vision of what is possible with enthusiasm and ardour. When we are zealous, we give it our all. Zeal is fuelled by our belief and faith. We do all that we can to serve a cause we believe to be real and true.

"Experience shows that success is due less to ability than to zeal. The winner is he who gives himself to his work body and soul."

Upcoming Events Calendar:

Activity	Who's Involved	Date & Time	Cost
Vision/Hearing Testing	New Entrants	Thurs 9 Aug, 9.15am	
Board meeting		Mon 13 Aug, 7.00pm	
Trip to Te Papa	Pohutukawa/Ngaio	Wed 22 Aug	TBC
Scholastic Book Fair	Everyone	Wed 29 - Fri 31 Aug	
Orange Day Parade	School Patrollers	Fri 7 Sept	
Māori Language Week - Parade	Everyone	Mon 10 Sept	
WZ Netball Tournament	Selected students	Tues 11 Sept	
Parent Interviews	Pohutukawa	20/8 & 22/8	
Parent Interviews	Parents/Caregivers	17, 18, 19 Sept	

Have a great week everyone.

Ngā mihi nui
Clifford

2018	Start	End
Term 3		Fri 28 Sept
Term 4	Mon 15 Oct	Mon 17 Dec, 12noon
2019 Term Dates		
Term 1	Thurs 7 Feb	Fri 12 Apr
Term 2	Mon 29 Apr	Fri 5 Jul
Term 3	Mon 22 Jul	Fri 27 Sept
Term 4	Mon 14 Oct	Fri 20 Dec

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

Pride Lands Child Care, Strike Day - As you may have heard, teachers and principals have agreed to strike for a full day on Wednesday 15th August. Therefore we will be running a 1-Day Fun Holiday Programme. This includes a great time in Central Wellington and an ice cream adventure at Chocolate Fish Café in Shelley Bay after which we will explore and enjoy the area including the harbour views. Programme Locations: Rugby Club and Berhampore School Hall, 15th August, 7am – 6pm. Shuttle Service Provided. 1-on-1 Support Care Available. As part of our service, we provide Breakfast, Lunch & Afternoon Tea (under Kai Cubs Cooking and Life Skills Programme). This way we can help take the burden off parents. Enrolment deadlines: enrol online by no later than 12pm on Tuesday 14th August 2018. How to enrol: Enrol online at www.pridelands.org.nz to express your interest and select 'Teacher only days/Extra school holidays' under holiday season. Fun Holiday Adventures Terms & Conditions apply: Visit our website: www.pridelands.org.nz.

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