



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 three new students and their family:

Betrisha Moimoi (Kererū)

Paea Moimoi (Kākariki)

Losaline Moimoi (Kākano)

Principal's Conference - Tomorrow I am attending the National Principal's Conference, which is being held in Wellington this year. I will be away from school for three days.

Visit - Today we are being visited by the Principal and teaching staff from Southend School in Carterton. Southend School operate an Original and Montessori strand and decided to have a teacher only day to visit Otari School and find out more about how we operate.

Cell Phone - A reminder, if you have not yet texted your cell number to the school phone, please do so (022 561 3368; please add your name). We will use this number in an emergency to let parents know what is happening.

Sunhats - As a 'SunSmart' school we require all children to wear a sunhat in terms 1 and 4. Please ensure your child has a sunhat, either a bucket style or with a brim that goes all the way around. Caps are not acceptable. Teachers on duty will be expecting all children to be wearing their hats next week.

Immersion Strand Whānau Hui - Wednesday 31st October, 5.30pm shared kai, 6pm start.

Te Taonga Horomata: Whakapono. Virtue: Certitude

Certitude begins by deeply exploring a belief or decision through prayer and contemplation. When clarity comes, we act as if it is true. Certitude helps us to engage our will and take decisive action. Each step we take is sure and unwavering. Even if we stumble or fail, we don't allow doubt to distract us from what we know. Certitude helps us to be sure.

"Peace is the fruit of love, a love that is also justice. But to grow in love requires work - hard work. It can bring pain because it implies loss - loss of the certitudes comforts and hurts that shelter and define us.

Jean Vanier

Upcoming Events Calendar:

Activity	Who's Involved	Date & Time	Cost
Kapa Kaha competition	Immersion strand	Friday 26 Oct	
Trip to Petone Settlers Museum	Kōwhai	Wed 31 Oct	TBA
Road Patrol Training	Yr 5s	Thurs 1 Nov, 9am	
Helpers Morning Tea	Helpers	Wed 5 Nov, 10.30am	
Immunisations	Yr 8s	Tues 13 Nov	
WZ Athletics	Selected students	Fri 16 Nov	
Immersion Strand Yr 8 Farewell	Immersion strand	Fri 30 Nov	
Pack the Bus	Everyone	Wed 5 Dec	
Yr 8 Dinner	Yr 8s	Thurs 6 Dec	TBA
Yr 8 Farewell	Yr 7/8s/ Yr 8 whānau	Fri 7 Dec, 6pm	
Yr 8 Outing	Yr 8s	Tues 11 Dec	

Have a good week everyone. A reminder that the term ends on Monday 17 December at 12noon.

Ngā mihi nui
Clifford

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

Queens Birthday: Mon 4 June Labour Weekend: Mon 22 Oct

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

Want to learn a martial art? Seido Karate Club is held at Northland Community Centre. Classes suitable for Yrs 5 and older. Parents welcome to come and train too. Beginners on Thursdays, 6.30-7.30pm; Coloured belts Mondays 5.30-6.30pm and Thursdays 5.30-7.00pm.

St Benedicts School Fair - Sunday 28th October. 50 Nicholson Road, Khandallah. Loads of fun for the family including, photo booths, bouncy castles, cake stalls, second hand clothing, toys and more. 11am-2pm

Is your child shy? Do they feel intimidated by the idea of public speaking and performance? Do they sometimes find it difficult to make eye contact? Do they just need dedicated time per week to just be CRAZY?! Come and join the revolutionary self-confidence programme - Marrzipan! We run awesome classes at schools, which focus on key life skills and public speaking ability. We play fun engaging games and perform at the end of term once to parents and once to the school. All scripts are original, engaging, educational and HILARIOUS. You can sign your child up for a Trial Lesson via our website www.marrzipandrama.co.nz (we have contact numbers on there too, should you prefer to talk to a human!)