



**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

Classes 2019 - Every year, near the end of the third term, the Ministry of Education provide the school with the staffing entitlement for the following year. This entitlement, other ministry grants and any extra funding are all used to determine the staffing for the following year. I consult with team leaders and teachers before allocating the staffing, taking into account the needs of each strand, the students and the teachers.

Details about class programmes, including the extra support, will be provided next year.

Most teacher staffing is provided through the Ministry of Education Staffing Entitlement. Where this is not the case I have included the source of funding.

Original Strand

Kākano – Years 1 and 2

Teachers:

Britta Martini, every day until 12:30pm.

Shani Leda, every afternoon, Monday to Thursday. (2.5 hours of this is due to Reading Recovery funding. The school has to match this, therefore another 2.5 is paid through the school's operation grant.)

Nichole Craig on Friday afternoon.

It is planned that Britta will be continuing with Reading Recovery in the afternoons.

Kākāriki – Years 3 and 4

Teachers:

Susan West, Monday to Wednesday.

Christine Dowell, Thursday and Friday.

Susan will be reducing her responsibilities for a year while completing academic studies.

Kererū – Years 5 and 6

Teachers:

Sacha Fell, Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday.

Christine Dowell, Wednesday

Tōtara – Year 7 and 8

Teacher: Johanne Wicks

Kererū and Tōtara will be working in the hall together during term 1. After term one they will work in their refurbished classrooms, both of which will access a new shared extra teaching/withdrawal space.

Strand teaching support:

Shani Leda and Clifford Wicks will provide teaching support for the Original Strand. As well as supporting Britta, Shani will be working with groups of children. Clifford will continue supporting literacy.

Māori Immersion Strand**Kōwhai – Year 1 and 2**

Kaiako: Whaea Lynette Franklin

Tūi – Year 2,3,4 and 5

Kaiako: Whaea Glenise Ward (Whaea Kui)

Kaikōmako – Years 5,6,7,8

Kaiako: Whaea Api Nathan – 4 days per week, as Api will be acting Deputy Principal next year as well as Immersion Strand leader and will have 1 day for management release.

Strand teaching support:

Kairahi i te reo: Whaea Parekohai Wells, fulltime, provided through the Māori Factor Funding.

Support Kaiako: Whaea Cilla Noblett, .6. This equates to 3 days per week and includes 4 days per term Classroom Release Time for Whaea Lynette and Whaea Kui.

Kaiawhina: Whaea Katrina Murray, 20 hours per week, provided through the Māori Factor Funding

DP Release*/Te Reo Pakeha teacher: Whaea Nichole Craig. Nichole will also provide Whaea Api's Classroom Release Time (CRT).

*Whaea Api will be acting DP during 2019 while Susan is reducing her hours and workload.

Montessori Strand**Pōhutukawa – Years 1 – 4****Teachers:**

Deborah Sorensen, 4 days per week

Paula Crisp, 1 day per week

Ngaio – Years 4 – 8**Teachers:**

Sally Barraud, 4 days per week

Paula Crisp, 1 day per week

Strand teaching support Teacher: Paula Crisp, delivering .5 hours of extra support, provided by the Montessori Trust.

Teaching Assistant: Catherine Rees, full time

Paula will also be providing the Classroom Release Time (CRT) for the Original and Montessori strands.

Reading Recovery

Kathy Heath will be delivering .3 (7.5 hours) of Reading Recovery and Britta Martini will be delivering .2 (5 hours.)

Athletics - Yesterday we had a group of students participate in Western Zones Athletics at Newtown Park. Congratulations to the following students who have made it into the inter-zone competition being held next Tues (27 Nov, postponement 29 Nov):

Edward Thompson - short sprints
JayKwan Te Paiho - shotput, vortex
Hone Grant – vortex

Thomas Mayne – shotput
JaeTiare Te Paiho - shotput, votex
George Fullelove - vortex

We also had several 4th and 5th place getters who almost made it. Well done everyone!

Bake Sale – Pohutukawa children are holding a bake sale on Thursday at lunchtime, raising funds for little blue penguins. Bring along some gold coins.

Camp Meeting – The parent meeting for the 2019 campers (Yr 7/8) has been moved to Tuesday 4 December, 6pm (not 29 Nov).

Wellington City Mission 'Pack the Bus' – Otari is once again participating in this event on Wednesday 5 December. See below:

Pack the Bus is back for 2018! Our roving Tranzit bus will be out and about visiting schools, supermarkets and malls right throughout the Greater Wellington region, collecting Christmas food and new toys for families who would otherwise have a pretty tough Christmas. Since we started Pack The Bus in 1992 our hearts haven't stopped being filled with hope and happiness every time we see queues of school children lining up to put their presents in the bus, or the smiles on their faces when they see who is on board or how full it is.

See the end of the newsletter for types of goods we would like to collect.

Scholastic Books – The final brochure for the year will be coming home today. Orders can be done online or if you want to place an order through the school they need to be in the office by next Thursday.

Girl Guide Biscuit Sale - Friday 7 December, 3pm outside Kākāriki and Kākano. Packets are available for \$3.50 each (please bring cash only). Girl Guiding NZ is bigger than a biscuit! Your purchase goes towards providing Kiwi girls and young women with hands on experiences that allow them to discover their potential, develop confidence and skills, participate in our quality educational programmes and contribute to their communities now and in the future. www.girlguidingnz.org.nz.

Te Taonga Horomata: Hautoa. Virtue: Trust

Sometimes it is difficult to trust when life brings painful experiences. Trust is being sure in the depths of our being, that there is some gift or learning in everything that happens. We move confidently with the flow of life, gathering strength from adversity. We know we are never alone.

'Trust yourself. Create the kind of self that you will be happy to live in with all your life. Make the most of yourself by fanning the tiny, inner sparks of possibility into flames of achievement'. Golda Meir

Upcoming Events Calendar:

Activity	Who's Involved	Date & Time	Cost
Immersion Strand Yr 8 Farewell	Immersion strand	Fri 30 Nov	
Camp meeting	Yr 7/8 parents	Tues 4 Dec , 6pm, hall	
Pack the Bus	Everyone	Wed 5 Dec, 9.45am	
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	
End of Year	Everyone	Mon 17 Dec, 12 noon	

Have a good week everyone.

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)

Casting Call! Looking For Singers To Help Record The First 'Feel Brave' Song And Music Video - Kapiti Coast Jan 2019. If you think you've got what it takes and want to be a part of a magical day recording the first '[Feel Brave](http://www.feelbrave.com)' song in a studio with some fabulous musicians and being part of a music video that will get exposure all around the world, please send a video/video link of you singing to info@feelbrave.com. The recording studio is on the Kapiti Coast on Sunday 20 January 2019 and also be available for an audition in person on 16 Jan and participate in a rehearsal a few days before the recording on 20 Jan. It doesn't matter what age you are, your voice just needs to sound like characters who are around the 8 to 10 year old range. <https://www.feelbrave.com/casting-call>

Kelly Club Northland Pre Xmas Holiday Programme - Pre Xmas Holiday Programme – Fri 21st Dec 2018 – Held in the Memorial Hall, 5 Woburn Road, Northland. We're taking over Santa's workshop for the week with lots of Christmas activities planned.

Lots of holiday programmes available. Check out www.kellysports.co.nz email adminwgtn@kellysports.co.nz or call 04 972 7201.



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**Please help The Mission make this Christmas special
for families in need, through the gift of giving.**

**Be someone's star by filling this box with any of the
following goods:**

Christmas Items:	Essential Items:	New Toys & Gifts:
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Single adult Christmas cakes• Fancy biscuits/crackers• Fancy relishes/sauces• Salted nuts/dry roasted nuts• Chippies• Retail vouchers	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Spreads & muesli bars• Sugar & milk powder• Pasta sauce• Tinned soup• Tinned fish/meat• Biscuits & crackers• Baby food & nappies• Laundry powder & dishwashing liquid	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Vouchers (e.g. movies/zoo/pool)• Construction toys (e.g. Lego/Meccano)• Gifts for 10-14 year olds• Educational toys• Books• Puzzles & Board games• Baby toys for 0-2yr olds (e.g. rattles/shape sorters)• Diaries/calendars• Sports equipment (e.g. rugby balls/ netballs)

Thanks for being someone's star! wellingtoncitymission 