



Te Kura o Otari
Otari School

News

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Kia ora koutou

Last week's EOTC week was a great success. This would not have been possible without the combined efforts of staff and parents. Our heartfelt thanks to you all for supporting the school camp at Forest Lakes, the sleepover and EOTC activities. A special thanks to the parents who helped with supervision and leadership throughout the week. The children were a joy to take on camp and from what I have heard, were also wonderful throughout the week at school.

Technology - A heads up that next week the Yr 7/8s students have technology on Thursday (19th) and Friday (20th).

Term One School Picnic / BBQ at Otari Wilton's Bush - Parents have organised a school wide get-together on Sunday 29 March from 3pm - 5pm at the Otari Wilton's Bush picnic area. Bring a picnic or some sausages for the BBQ. It would be great to see you there.

Keyboard Lessons are taught at school by the Wellington Music Academy. Experienced and enthusiastic teachers will ensure all lessons are fun and appropriate for your child's level of musical development. The private 20-30 minute lessons are run during school hours on Mondays and all ages are welcome. Please contact the Music Academy: (04) 9779102, admin@musicacademy.co.nz, www.musicacademy.co.nz

Te Taonga Horomata: Tuku-mārie. Our virtue is Tolerance
To be tolerant means to accept things you wish were different with flexibility and patience. Tolerance is being agreeable—listening carefully and treating the person with dignity and respect - while you disagree.

Upcoming Events Calendar:

Activity	Who's Involved	Date & Time	Cost
Technology	Yr 7/8s	19 & 20 March	
Athletics Day	Everyone	Tues 24 Mar, 9am	
End of Term	Everyone	Thurs 2 Apr, 2.55pm	

Have a great week everyone.

Ngā mihi nui
Clifford

"Tolerance, compromise, understanding, acceptance, patience - I want those all to be very sharp tools in my shed." *Cee Lo Green*

Community Notices: (Please note these notices are passed on to us and are not necessarily an endorsement)

Messy Church is on this Sunday 15 March, 2-4 pm at St Anne's Church near the Northland shops. There will be lots of great craft, a short worship and afternoon tea.

Book Fair for Blue Dragon - 28 March. Come and buy bargain books, CDs and DVDs on Saturday 28 March at the Ngaio Town Hall, 1 Ottawa Road. Open 9am - 3pm. Bring cash because there are no eftpos or credit card facilities. All the money raised goes directly to the Blue Dragon Children's Foundation, which helps Vietnam's poorest children to break the poverty cycle through education.

Nature by Twilight - Parks Week. Otari Wilton's Bush Forest Reserve, Saturday 14 March 2015, 7:00pm – 9:00pm. All ages. Admission: Free. Join Wellington Zoo's Roots and Shoots group for a fun evening of glow worm viewing, gecko searching, eel spotting and much more! Suitable for the whole family. No registrations are necessary, just turn up! The meeting location is at Otari Wilton's Bush at the North entrance car park, 20 metres down from Churchill Drive. Please bring: a torch, sturdy footwear, warm clothes, a mug, and gold coins (a koha/donation for supper). Postponement date Saturday 21 March, 2015. If the weather is looking wet call the WCC on 499 4444 after 4pm to check if the event has been postponed. Queries: lynn.allan@wellingtonzoo.com. This event is being organised as part of Parks Week 2015. Parks Week is an annual celebration of the important role that our parks play in contributing to the health of our communities. A range of formal and informal events take place across Wellington and New Zealand during parks week - there is something for everyone! www.wellington.govt.nz/parksweek

Fencing - Come and join this challenging and fun sport with the Commonwealth Gold medalist and the Oceania Gold medalist Ping Yuan:

- 1) WFC fencing holiday programme: 13/4 Monday & 14/4 Tuesday (9am – 3pm) at Miramar Holy Cross Church, 90 Miramar Avenue. Fee: \$130/two days
- 2) T2 fencing beginners class: Mondays (4/5 – 29/6): 4pm-5pm at ASB Sports Centre, Kilbirnie. Fee: \$140/per term.

For further information and to book a place contact PING YUAN at nz_wfc@outlook.com or 021 059 2558.

School Holiday Computer Classes - For ages 5 - 16. New Minecraft classes. Create 3D Video Games, Learn to Program, Web Design, Animations, Video Editing and Build a PC. Free transport from Petone/Upper Hutt. For further information call Ed Brown on 499 2211 or www.grandtraining.co.nz.

Kids Theatre Holiday Camp Tuesdays 7 – Friday 10 April, Samuel Marsden School Karori. If your children want go back in time to the roaring 20's come along and be part of the play Rosie. When prohibition, gangsters, flappers, nightclubs and speakeasies are the talk of the town. The children will have lots of fun and laughter while at the same time learning acting skills & stagecraft. Become a more confident performer! Extend your dramatic & creative potential! Develop self-expression and communication skills! Every child will have a starring role including dialogue and a fabulous costume. Programme operates 9:00am – 3:00pm (open 8:30am – 4:00pm). Open to students aged 7-12 years from all schools. Audition, rehearse & perform a fully costumed play in 4 days! REGISTER: Contact Deborah or Paul Percy: Online at <http://ctcnz.actingantics.com> FEES: \$236.00 (Sibling discounts - Includes scripts, rights, costumes, make-up & Performance Certificate) PAYMENT: Online banking (EFT) or credit card ENQUIRIES: admin@actingantics.com - 04 8890 416.

Term Dates 2015

Term 1: Wed 4 Feb – Thurs 2 Apr
Term 2: Mon 20 Apr – Fri 3 July
Term 3: Mon 20 July – Fri 25 Sept
Term 4: Mon 12 Oct – Fri 17 Dec