

*Inspiring a love of learning through an education that values the development of the whole child*

18 July 2023

Week 1, Term 3

## Kia ora koutou

Nau mai hoki mai, ki te wahanga tuatoru! Welcome back, to term 3!



It is lovely to be back and be greeted by so many smiling faces! It was not lovely, however, to discover we had been broken into early yesterday morning and our brand new television, destined for the library, stolen from the school foyer. The staffroom door lock and surrounds were vandalised to achieve entry, however this is all now secure again and will be fixed (along with the rotting window frame the thieves also tried to unsuccessfully enter through).

Despite the break-in, we won't let that spoil the start of our term and look forward to a busy, productive and enjoyable 10 weeks.



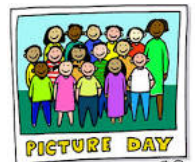
Nau mai, haere mai ki ngā ākonga hou me o rātou whānau: Welcome to 4 new children and their whānau: Florian Weaver (Pōhutukawa) Robin Whittington (Pōhutukawa)  
Oscar Beaumont (Pōhutukawa) Korakoreko Prisk (Kōwhai)

**Teacher Only Day** - Recently the Ministry of Education told schools that a second Teacher Only Day was being provided for them in the second half of the year. They have mandated that this must happen between certain dates, therefore we apologise for the previously published day of 24 October, as this falls outside of the dates we are allowed to have a TOD. **The Teacher Only day will now be on Monday 13 November.**



**Performance** - NZ Playhouse are performing *Treasure Island* to the whole school on Monday 24 July. The cost is \$5.00 per child.

**School Photos** are on Tuesday 25 July. Children will bring home a photo card – this is to be completed and sent back to school if you want a sibling photo taken. If you have pre-schoolers who you would like included in the photo; these will be done between 8.30-9.00am, in the library. There is no upfront payment required. Once the photos have been processed, order forms will be sent home.



**Musical Showcase** - Yr 5-8 students will be attending a Wellington College Musical Showcase on Thursday 27 July. The cost is \$4.00 per child.

**Performance** - Tōtara and Kererū will be attending a Book Week performance by Perform Education at Cardinal McKeefry School on Thursday 10 August. The cost is \$5.00 per child.



**Trip to Government House** - Totara and Kererū will be visiting Government House on Thursday 29 August. The cost is \$4.00 per child.

**Payments** - If you have an Activity Account (i.e. have deposited funds into the school account for this purpose), then the cost of the trips/performances will be deducted from the account. If not, please deposit funds into the school account – 060561-0017355.00.

Payment



**Parent/Teacher meetings** are scheduled for Week 5, 14-16 August. More details to follow.

**Yr 1/2 Netball Tournament** - If you are interested in your Year 1 or 2 child participating in a fun netball tournament on Saturday 12 and 19 August (approximately 1 hour each Saturday), please email Susan asap. [susan@otari.school.nz](mailto:susan@otari.school.nz)



**Technology Yr 7/8** - Technology starts again this week, for the next 4 weeks.

**Chocolate** - There is still some outstanding monies owing. Please pay into the school account asap (060561-0017355-00 - \$90 per box).



**Birthdays This Week:** Happy birthday to Jireh, Jed and Hugh. Rā whānau ki a koe! We hope you have a great day.

**Covid** – We currently have one known case of Covid; a staff member and one family isolating.



**Taonga Horomata / Virtues:** Peacefulness - Rangimarie

From the virtues card: "Peacefulness is inner calm and tranquillity. It is a sense of harmony with all creation."

- I have a tranquil spirit.
- I enter the peace of reflection.
- I release my fears.
- I move calmly, without rush or hurry.
- I choose justice instead of anger.
- I choose unity over discord.

*Peace begins with a smile (Mother Teresa)*



Activity	Who's Involved	Date & Time	Cost
NZ Playhouse	All students	Mon 24 July	\$5.00
School Photos	All students	Tues 25 July	
Wgtn College Musical Showcase	Yr 5-8	Thurs 27 July	\$4.00
Perform Education - Book Week	Tot/Ker students	Thurs 10 Aug	\$5.00
Parent/Teacher Interviews	Whānau	14-16 Aug	
EPro8 School Challenge	Interested Students	17-22 Aug	
Trip to Government House	Tot/Ker students	Tues 29 Aug	\$4.00
Life Education	All students	4-8 Sept	TBC

Have a good week everyone.

Ngā mihi  
Clifford

#### 2023 Term Dates

Term 3: Mon 17 Jul – Fri 22 Sept

Term 4: Mon 9 Oct – Fri 15 Dec

**Teacher Only Day: Mon 13 Nov**



## ONE ON ONE KEYBOARD LESSONS

The Wellington Music Academy has been providing music lessons in the Wellington region for over 28 years. **The lessons are run during school hours and all ages are welcome!** Our experienced and enthusiastic teachers will ensure all lessons are fun and appropriate for your child's level of musical development. Please contact the Music Academy at any time for more information and to book a place.  
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