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

21 November 2023 Week 7, Term 4

What's Going On? - Events and Activities at Otari School

Wednesday: Kiwi Hoops Thursday: Kiwi Hoops

Friday: Technology; Junior Swimming; Disco



Kia ora koutou



Everyone is flat out writing reports and trying to complete the tasks that can enable all the planned events and activities to happen within the next month! It is certainly a very hectic time of the year. Hence our very aspirational virtues!

School Disco - Last volunteer call!

Thanks to all the volunteers. We just have a few spots remaining. In particular we'd love two more people to make a curry and bring a rice cooker. Please sign up via: https://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz/code/xmgab



See you on Friday, 5pm - 8pm!

- Theme: Under the Sea wear blue or anything ocean inspired!
- Entry fee: \$5 for families with one child / \$10 for families with more than one child. Bring **cash** and get your entry stamp on arrival.
- Curries, sausage sizzle and soft drinks will be available for purchase. <u>Cash only.</u>
- Please bring a plate of sweet food for a shared dessert. Deliver it to the preschool deck on arrival.



Save The Date - The Whenu Working group invite parents/whānau from the Māori Immersion kaupapa to join our online Whenu hui for Term 4 on <u>Thursday 23 November</u>, 7.30-8.30pm. A calendar invite with the agenda and Zoom details has been sent out.

Library Book Sale – On Thursday (weather permitting), between 2.45-3.15pm there will be a sale of ex Otari library books. A koha is welcome.







Birthdays This Week: Happy birthday to Mia G and Arthur B. Rā whānau ki a koutou! We hope you all have a great day.



Taonga Horomata/Virtues - This week the focus taonga horomata is **Serenity - Māoriori or Mahurutanga**



"Serenity is tranquillity of spirit. It is an abiding sense of trust and faith that all is well. In the midst of trials we are accepting and resilient. We go with the flow. We practice stillness, reflection and mindfulness." (The Virtues Project)

"The purpose of art is not the release of a momentary ejection of adrenaline but is, rather, the gradual, lifelong construction of a state of wonder and serenity." (Glenn Gould)







Activity	Who's Involved	Date & Time	Cost
Swimming lessons	Juniors	Fridays 13 Oct – 1 Dec	\$50.00
Technology	Yr 7/8	Fridays 20 Oct – 1 Dec	
Kiwi Hoops	All students	Wednesdays/Thursdays	\$12.00
School Disco	Everyone	Fri 24 Nov	
Yr 8 Dinner	Yr 8s and staff	Fri 1 Dec	TBC
Whenu Celebration	Immersion Whānau	Tues 5 Dec, 5.30pm	
Yr 8 Farewell	Yr 7 and Yr 8 students	Fri 8 Dec, 6.00pm	
Zoo Trip	Montessori classes	Mon 11 Dec	\$10.00
Zealandia Trip	Tūī class	Mon 11 Dec	TBC
Yr 8 Outing	Yr 8s	Tue 12 Dec	
Picnic	Immersion classes	Thurs 14 Dec	

Have a good week everyone.

Ngā mihi Clifford 2023 Term Dates

Term 4: Mon 9 Oct – **Fri 15 Dec, 12noon**

2024 Term Dates

Term Dates		Public Holidays	
Thurs 1 Feb	Fri 12 Apr	Waitangi Day: Tues 6 Feb Easter: Fri 29 Mar, Mon 1, Tues 2 Apr	
Mon 29 Apr	Fri 5 July	King's Birthday: Mon 3 June Teacher Only Day: Fri 31 May Matariki: Fri 28 Jun	
Mon 22 Jul	Fri 27 Sept		
Mon 14 Oct	Wed 18 Dec	Teacher Only Day: Fri 25 Oct Labour Weekend: Mon 28 Oct	

Get ready to ignite your child's musical passion! Exciting News!

Goodtime Music Academy is coming to Otari School in 2024, offering award-winning in-school music lessons. Say goodbye to post-school commutes! Dive into the word of music in a vibrant group setting with the following instrument lesson: Drums, Guitar, Keyboard, Ukulele or our 'Intro to Music' course. But the excitement doesn't stop there! Your child will have the chance to shine in our thrilling concerts.

Act fast, as spots are limited. Enrol now at www.goodtimemusicacademy.co.nz/learn-at-school or call us at 04 568-2237. Your child's moment in the limelight awaits!



January 2024 Holiday Programme – Northland Kidz Club. We'll be having scavenger hunts, making scones and ice-cream, planting seeds and having a water fight. Bring your wheels for the Wheels Day, enjoy the all-you-can eat pancakes for afternoon tea and create another unique painted art work with Maria. We'll be going to lots of play areas, exploring Tinakori//Te Ahumairangi Hill, splashing in the Albemarle Stream and visiting Kai Cycle, a community vegetable growing venture. We'll be wandering around Victoria University, going to the Botanic Gardens, and Ruut will be showing us how to make diamond pictures! \$45 per child per day (third child onwards:\$20), 8.30am to 6pm each day. For details, check out our website (www.nkc.org.nz), or contact Jan on cell (022-140-2612), email (nkc.jan@gmail.com).





WCL Summer Reading Adventure

This summer, Wellington City Libraries is inviting kids, teens and adults on a **Summer Reading Adventure!** From the **1**st **of December 2023 – 31**st **of January 2024**, you'll be able to log your reading, write, draw or film book reviews, and complete activities and challenges to earn rewards like collectible badges, free books, ice-cream vouchers, and go in the draw to win one of our fabulous Grand Prizes.

Visit the library website today at <u>wcl.govt.nz/summerreading</u> to pre-register for the Summer Reading Adventure, or visit any of our libraries from the 1st of December to pick up your Adventurer's Guide and get started.



