

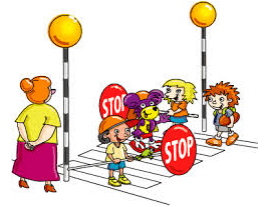
Inspiring a love of learning through an education that values the development of the whole child

13 February 2024

Week 3, Term 1

Kia ora koutou

Road Patrol - We do appreciate the way most people support our road patrol students. With this in mind, it is timely and helpful to remind everyone of the requirements our patrollers must adhere to.



When the road is clear or cars are a safe distance away, the caller, on the school side, will call out "**signs out**" and put their arm out indicating that no one can cross yet. Signs will go out, then the child on the other side, also with their arm out, will check the traffic and call out "**Clear**" when it is safe to cross. Then the caller will say "**Cross now**" and put their arm down. **It is not until the caller says "Cross now" that people cross.**

There are a few people who do not understand this and sometimes walk out onto the crossing and even around the child who has their arm out. Sometimes this includes adults who are obviously in a rush, however, they need to be mindful of the training that has gone into this role and the responsibility our road patrol students have. Some are new to the role and we appreciate your patience and support.

It is a busy time at the top of the drive in the morning and afternoons, with cars pulling into the driveway and driving out, buses pulling in and parents arriving to pick up children. It can get quite congested in front of the gate so please be mindful of all the traffic, vehicle and human, as the duty teacher tries to keep an eye on the patrollers and the children crossing the drive.



CodeClub will be starting back on Monday 19th February in Kererū classroom from 3.10 - 4.10pm. Code Club is an Otari School after school activity for Year 4 to Year 8 students and we aim to cater for all skill levels. It is run by volunteer teachers and parents so there is no cost but a koha to the school office is always appreciated as we use school space and equipment.

If your child is interested in joining CodeClub please complete the attached form:

<https://forms.gle/94HzIA3BskrVBWZ69>. If you have any questions about CodeClub please email Sacha, sacha@otari.school.nz.

Splat – Drama lessons are back at Ōtari on Friday afternoons (1.30-2.30pm)! Josh, formerly of Marrzipan is now providing drama through his new company, *Splat*. Please see the flyer below for more details. If there is sufficient interest *Splat* drama will begin in term 2.



School Picnic – Our annual picnic will be on Wednesday 27 March at Aotea Lagoon in Porirua. Whānau are invited to join us. The cost is \$8.00 per child.

After School Book Sale – This Friday (16th) at 2.30pm. Koha appreciated.





Western Zone Sports Events - There are three potential Yr 5-8 interschool sports events taking place this term for which we will only be able to participate in if we get parent help. All these events are run as 'Have a Go' events and in most cases parent help is needed to manage teams rather than umpire. These events are:

- Cricket: 5 March
- Ki o Rahi: 19 March
- Football: 9 April

Notices will go home to children who are keen to participate but if you know now you are able to help with these events in advance please email sacha@otari.school.nz. Parent help is very much needed and appreciated.

Birthdays This Week: Happy birthday to Steele, Charlotte, Jack, Dylan S, and Arthur K. Rā whānau ki a koutou! We hope you all have a great day.



Taonga Horomata – Virtues: We begin the year with the virtue of Whaka-hoahoa/Friendliness

Friendliness is reaching out to others with warmth and caring. It is the willingness to be intimate companion. Friendship is essential to our souls. We value ourselves enough to know that we deserve true companionship. The presence of a friend can soothe us, unleash our laughter, amplify our joy and diminish our sorrow.

Life is a mirror, it reflects your face. Be friendly and all of life will reflect friendliness. (Ragineesh)



Activity	Who's Involved	Date & Time	Cost
Montessori Afternoon Tea	Montessori Whānau	Thurs 15 Feb, 2.30pm	
Whānau hui	Immersion whānau	Thurs 22 Feb	
Immunisations	Yr 7	Mon 4 Mar	
Life Education	All students	11-15 Mar	\$8.00
Pedal Ready	All students	18-22 March	
Trip to Te Papa	Totara/Kereru	Tues 26 Mar	TBC
School Picnic	All students	Wed 27 March	\$8.00
Easter Break – NO SCHOOL	Everyone	Fri 29 Mar, 1 & 2 Apr	

Kia pai to koutou wiki! Have a great week everyone!

Ngā mihi
Clifford

Dates to note:

- Technology is on Thursdays for term 1 only. It will revert back to Fridays in term 2.
- Yr 8 Dinner - Wednesday 4 December
- Yr 8 Farewell - Friday 13 December - This involves Yr 7 & 8 students
- Yr 8 Outing - Monday 16 December

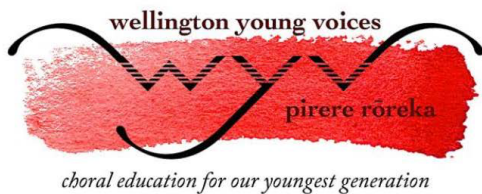
Hoki Mai ki te Kura! AFTERNOON TEA WITH MONTESSORI

Come and see our shared 'prepared environment'
Connect with kaiako & other whānau
Enjoy hāi and a cuppa, hosted by our tamariki



Upcoming COMMUNITY EVENTS

Drama Club - We run fun weekly drama classes to help your child express themselves creatively as well as learning some valuable performance skills along the way. Our drama classes work alongside the Trinity College London syllabus. Classes are based in Karori, we have small classes that are grouped by age. Email Bridie - admin@dramaclub.co.nz for more information or to trial a couple of classes. Alternatively, check out our website - www.dramaclub.co.nz for more information.



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Where: Queen Margaret College

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www.wellingtonyoungvoices.org.nz



Join us this season

There is something for everyone to start working toward their dreams of being the next Black Fern or All Black-Friday RipRugby, Saturday Rippa or Tackle.

And like previous seasons we are still offering FEES-FREE for the Yr0/1s (previously U6s)



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To register scan the QR code or online at www.sporty.co.nz/newlands
If you have any questions, please get in touch:
newlandsrugbyclub@gmail.com or contact:
Mel Dehar 0211768862 / Mel Bradley 0273108061



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TERM 2!

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9 to 11
12 & 13
14 to 16



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New to Club K, Salamanca Road, Kelburn, Wellington.

Beginners class starting this week
Ring Alan (06) 3626 459 or 027 5635 579

Juniors	(7-13 yrs)	Tue 5.30 – 6.30pm
Intermediates / Seniors	(14–90 yrs)	Tue 6.30 – 9pm

Wellington Music Centre

Open Day 2024

Saturday 10th February 2024
10am - 12pm (come through any time!)
Miramar North School

The perfect chance for your kids to informally try out some musical instruments, meet our teachers, and get a sense of what our school is like before you sign up!




Find out more:
www.WellingtonMusicCentre.org.nz




Petone Rotary Fair

Car Parking





\$5



Petone Central School
Saturday 17th Feb
Open from 8:00am

Fundraising for Year 7/8 leadership trips.

Closest to the Fair

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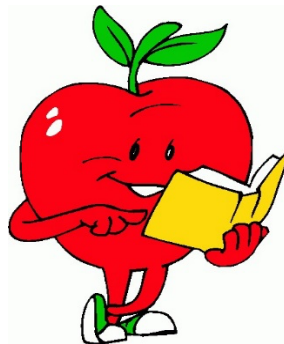
Crofton Downs Literacy Centre

Reading Right, Writing Well: After school tuition with an expert

Is your child having problems reading? Is writing a struggle for your child?

Enrol your child for after school literacy tuition, taught in Wellington's northern suburbs by a highly qualified and experienced specialist. With a PhD in English, and over thirty years working in education, Viv has taught every level from five-year-olds, to secondary school students, to teacher trainees, to post graduate university students. Sessions are one-to-one, and include a range of approaches that address skills, and the child's needs and interests. The focus may therefore be on remedial or extension reading, draft writing, spelling, handwriting, or children's literature. Tuition is \$30 per half hour, or \$50 per hour. The initial consultation is free.

To make an appointment, or learn more, phone 021 073 9234 or 04 4791740, or email van.rij.vivien@gmail.com



MADAGASCAR: THE MUSICAL NATIONAL TOUR 2024

Step into the wild with Madagascar: The Musical - an adrenaline-packed extravaganza that brings your favourite animated characters to life on stage! Join Alex, Marty, Melman and Gloria on a thrilling adventure filled with infectious music, sensational dance numbers and laugh-out-loud moments. This high energy production is a feast for the senses, delivering an unforgettable experience for audiences of all ages. Get ready to 'Move It, Move It' to the jungle and embark on a journey like never before. Madagascar: The Musical - where the stage sizzles with excitement, and the fun never stops!

