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

26 March 2024

Week 7, Term 1

Kia ora koutou

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

- Wednesday: School Picnic
- Thurs: Union meeting Children supervised by Clifford and TA's
- Easter Weekend: NO SCHOOL: Friday, Monday or Tuesday





School Picnic at Aotea Lagoon - Currently the weather outlook for tomorrow is cloudy periods with a chance of showers. I will put a notice about whether the picnic is going ahead on **edge** and **Facebook** this evening. (The bus company has advised us we may still be charged for buses if we leave it until tomorrow.)

If the picnic is cancelled we will not reschedule. (It has been a very busy, extra activities-filled term.) However, strands, syndicates or individual classes may choose to take advantage of a fine day and have a picnic in the bush next door or at a nearby park, if they can, before the end of term.

If the picnic does go ahead then we hope whānau will join us for our first "whānaungatanga" event of the year. This is an opportunity for our three strands to enjoy sharing a fun outing together!

If any parent is going to drop their child/ren at the lagoon, please ensure your child's teacher knows this.

Children need to bring... plenty of food, drink bottle, a sunhat, jacket and good footwear. They will also need togs and a towel if they are going to go on the splash pads.

Netball – Information was emailed to whānau of children who expressed an interest in playing Saturday netball. If you did not receive the email and your child would like to play, please go to the Sporty website and register your child before 3 April. Netball is for <u>Years 3-8</u>. <u>https://www.sporty.co.nz/otari</u>. Any questions; please contact Susan at <u>susan@otari.school.nz</u>.





Enrolment – To manage our out of zone enrolments effectively we need to know of any siblings due to start between June 2024 and June 2025. If you have not already advised us, please send details to Jillian (<u>office@otari.school.nz</u>) as soon as possible.

Western Zone Football tournament has been cancelled for this year due to refurbishment work at Ian Galloway Park. There will be lots of other sporting activities coming up later in the year, which children can participate in.





Scooter Ready - The postponement date for the Y1-4 Scooter Ready programme is **Thursday 4 April.** If possible, please send a scooter and helmet to school with your child on this date.

Chocolate – We will be running this fundraiser at the start of term 2. This is a major fundraiser for the school. If you do not wish to participate, please let Jillian know (<u>office@otari.school.nz</u>) otherwise your child will come with a box to sell. More details to follow.



ERSEVERANCE



Taonga Horomata/Virtues: Awe – Mīharo

Awe is deep respect and reverence. It is humility and wonder, contemplation of life's beauty and mystery.

E Tūtaki ana ngā kapua o te rangi, kei runga te Mangōroa e kōpae pū ana The clouds in the sky gather, but above them extends the milky way.

We are here to feel, wonder and gaze in awe at the world. Instead of just teaching our children how to use things and do things, I suggest we nourish their sense of wonder. (Bernie Siegal)



Activity	Who's Involved	Date & Time	Cost
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! We finish this week on Thursday. School will resume next week, on Wednesday. Until then we wish you all a happy Easter break! Reminder that the end of term is Friday 12 April.

Ngā mihi Clifford

Drama Class at Otari School!

Splat! will be running a fun drama class from term 2 onwards at your school.

Our drama classes are filled with awesome games and original scripts. These lessons are designed for every child to have a great time and improve self-confidence in a fun, judgement-free space.



Lessons run for 8 weeks and the students will practice a hilarious script that they get to perform for family and friends at the end of the term.

Spaces in these classes are limited to 15 students, to sign up for a free trial lesson, book in for the term, or find out more info – please email josh@splatnz.com or visit our website www.splatnz.com.

Link to

video: https://drive.google.com/file/d/1MyfNKAtgKvXCO5jVMz6urqAzBCy_CBQ3/view?usp=dri ve_link **COMPUTE 15 – 26th April 2024 Holiday Programme – Northland Kidz Club.** Come and join us for a Movie Day, Wheels Day and a Circus Workshop. We'll be exploring the new children's playground at the Botanic Gardens, having more art adventures with Maria and going to Lyall Bay Beach (with fish & chips for afternoon tea !). Making fritters (both savoury & sweet) and lots of ANZAC biscuits for ANZAC Day, as well as a Treasure Hunt, are also on the programme. \$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), e-mail (nkc.jan@gmail.com).



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APRIL HOLIDAY DRAMA PROGRAMME

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DATES: 15TH, 16TH & 17TH APRIL (MON-WED) TIME: 9.00 AM - 4.00 PM (DOORS OPEN FROM 8.30 AM) VENUE: CHURTON PARK COMMUNITY CENTRE PRICE: \$215+GST PER CHILD FOR THE 3 DAY WORKSHOP \$80+GST PER DAY PER CHILD

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