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

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Week 2, Term 2



**Out of Zone Students:** We have advertised for out-of-zone students turning 5 between June/July 2024 and June/July 2025. This includes families who already have children at our school. A child's brother or sister will not be offered a place unless there is an application within the timeframe outlined in the advertisement (see information at the end of the newsletter).

**Messages/Notices** - Sometimes Jillian is contacted about a message that has appeared in the newsletter and the issue has nothing to do with Jillian's office management responsibilities. Jillian and I compile the newsletter together and she is responsible for typing it up and sending it out, however a number of the notices are directly from me. Please cc both of us into future correspondence related to the newsletter if you are unsure. Always contact me if the newsletter issue is related to student behaviour, classroom management or teaching and learning. (<u>principal@otari.school.nz</u>)





**Covid:** We have a few cases of Covid in the school, both students and staff. Teachers are being reminded to monitor air quality and keep their classrooms well ventilated.

**Performance** – On Friday, all <u>Year 1-6</u> students will be attending the performance 'Wild Feelings'. This show has been named the **winner** of the Playmarket NZ **'Plays for the Young'**. The cost is **\$5.00 per child.** If you have an activity account, \$5.00 will be deducted, otherwise please send cash or deposit funds into the school account.



**Cross Country** - Next Friday (17<sup>th</sup>) is our school Cross Country. The event will start at 11am from the school field. We would love a few parent helpers to marshall the runners; let Sacha know if you can help (<u>sacha@otari.school.nz</u>). The programme is at the end of the newsletter. Please note we are unable to give out the times children will be running; it is impossible to know just how long each group of runners will take.

**Pink Shirt day** is also next Friday. **Pink Shirt Day** is about working together to stop bullying by celebrating diversity and promoting kindness and inclusiveness. It would be great to see everyone wearing a pink shirt or pink in any other form i.e. hat, scarf, shoes etc.



**Chocolate fundraiser** – Our fundraiser starts today with chocolate boxes coming home. Please sell at \$2.50 a bar, \$90 a box. We have quite a lot extra, so if you can sell more, please let Jillian know. Please either bring cash to the office or pay online 060561-0017355-00.





Birthdays This Week: Happy birthday to Joshua D. We hope you had a good day.





**Missing Items** – Are you missing a couple of black trays, with brown handles? These have been hanging around for a while now. Let Jillian know if they belong to you.

**Ōtari After School Care AGM** will be held online (link to be provided closer to the date) **on Thursday 23 May at 7:30pm.** At the conclusion of this AGM the current committee intend to step down from their respective roles therefore making way for new committee members. Please email <u>otariafterschoolcare@gmail.com</u> to express your interest in joining and keep an eye out in your emails for the Teams Meeting invite!





#### Taonga Horomata, Virtue: Maia / Confidence

Confidence is having faith in something or someone. It is a kind of trust. When you have self-confidence, you trust that you have what it takes to handle what ever happens.

Iti te matakahi, pangāia ki te tōtara pakaru ai - The wedge may be small but it will split the greatest tōtara.



A flower does not think of competing to the flower next to it. It just blooms. (Zen Shin)





EVENTS				
Activity	Who's Involved	Date & Time	Cost	
'Wild Feelings' show	Yr 1-6 students	Thurs 10 May	\$5.00	
Pink Shirt Day	All Students	Fri 17 May		
School Cross Country	All Students	Fri 17 May		
WZ Miniball	Selected Students	Tues 21 May		
WZ Cross Country	Selected Students	Wed 28 May		

Ngā mihi Clifford

Cross Country – 11.00am - Runners start in this order:

- Y8 Boys Cross Country
- Y8 Girls Cross Country
- Y7 Boys Cross Country
- Y7 Girls Cross Country
- Y6 Boys Cross Country
- Y6 Girls Cross Country
- Y5 Boys Cross Country
- Y5 Girls Cross Country
- Y4 Boys Cross Country and Fun Run
- Y4 Girls Cross Country and Fun Run
- Y1 Fun Run (Y8s to run with them)
- Y2 Fun Run (Y8s to run with them)
- Y3 Fun Run
- Y5-6 Fun Run
- Y7-8 Fun Run



#### **ŌTARI SCHOOL ENROLMENT JUNE 2024 – JULY 2025**

#### Places in MONTESSORI and ORIGINAL Strands - New Entrants/ Years 1 Places in MĀORI IMMERSION – New Entrants/Year 1

Ōtari School Board of Trustees is limited in the number of places it is able to offer students as a consequence of operating an enrolment scheme, details of which are available at the school office. The Board has determined that there are limited spaces available as follows:

For the English Medium Strands, (Original and Montessori) out of zone students who turn 5 between 1 July 2024 - 1 July 2025.

• For the special programme (Māori Immersion) out of zone students who turn 5 between 1 June 2024 - 1 June 2025.

If the number of applicants exceeds the number of places available, students will be selected by ballot, following the Ministry of Education defined priority order:

- 1. Siblings of current students
- 2. Siblings of former students
- 3. Children of former students
- 4. Children of board or staff
- 5. All other applicants

The deadline for receipt of applications is **Friday 17 May.** Applicants will be notified of the outcome of applications by **Thursday 23 May.** If a ballot for out of zone places is required, it will be held on **Monday 20 May**. Parents will be informed of the outcome of the ballot within three working days of it being held.

#### In summary:

Closing date for enrolment application: Friday 17 May Ballot date: Monday 20 May Applicants notified: By Thursday 23 May

Application forms are available from Otari School Office: email office@otari.school.nz. Clifford Wicks, Principal



WHY LEARN BRIDGE? Bridge is a fun, competitive, social card game played by millions around the world, ranging from social players through to international and professional levels. It doesn't take much to understand the basics and start playing, but you'll soon find there's always something

new to learn, new nuances, and new techniques... This is what makes Bridge the best card game in the world! You may get hooked - and have been warned :-) Learning bridge is like learning a musical instrument. It doesn't take long to explain the essentials but perfecting your bidding systems and card play can take a lifetime. When you bid with your partner at the start of a game, it's like you are speaking a special language. Lots of simple counting is involved. When you get it right, it feels incredible.

**LEARNING BRIDGE AT KARORI CLUB:** Our 12 lesson beginners' course is suitable for people of all levels from age 11 to 111 - if you have never played cards before, are a seasoned 500 player, or maybe you have played bridge a while ago and just need a refresher. You will get to know our friendly mentors during this time. Once the lessons are over, there will be 4 practice sessions where you will play with an experienced mentor. From here you will be ready for play in the B-Grade on Thursday nights. The B-grade players are very welcoming, and you will be allowed to look at your learner's cheat sheet for as long as you need. We will pair you up with friendly experienced partners when you start on Thursday nights.

- Our next beginner lessons course starts 29 May. Lessons run on Mondays and Saturdays at 7:30pm

- Each session includes a new lesson, followed by practice play
- Notes & You-tube videos are provided for review/missed lessons
- \$60 for the full course (deductible from club membership subs)

*Our club is a welcoming place for all members of the community. Try something new! Sign up today! On duty office hours Mon – Thurs 0930-1230, Ph 04 476 6179.* 

**Football:** For beginners and those wanting to learn more about Football. What we will work on: Game Rules, Ball Control, Dribbling, Passing, Tackling, Defence, Team Work, Goalkeeping, Practice and Warm up Drills. It's ideal to improve skills and confidence and to get to know a bit more about "The Beautiful Game". Held in the Green Room, Wests Rugby Clubrooms, Ian Galloway Park, Wilton. Friday's 3.30pm-4.30pm – starts Friday May 10, 2024 for 8 weeks. You can enrol online at <u>www.kellysports.co.nz</u>



### Savoury:

- Mince - Mince and Cheese - Potato top - Country chicken

- Steak and Cheese

- Steak and Onion
- Steak and Kidney
- Cracked Pepper Steak

# Pies! Pies! Pies!

We are selling family size pies to raise money for our preschool. The pies are from the amazing Centa bakery, they are family sized and are freshly made but can be frozen. These are great to have in the freezer for those nights when you need a last-minute dinner, or as gifts.

## Sweet:

- Apricot - Apple - Caramel - Lemon flan

Pies are \$15 each. Payment can be made by bank transfer to the NCP Bank Account 01-1823-0057969-00. Please put your family name and 'pies' as the reference.

Pick up will be on 23rd May between 3-4pm in the Preschool car park (137 Mairangi Road).

## Tell your family, friends and neighbours and put in your order by emailing pies@ncpreschool.co.nz by 10th May (This Friday)!

Some information from Centa Bakery:

• Our Family Meat Pies contain a real meat and vegetable filling. They are a minimum weight of 600gm. These pies are freeze-thaw stable and can be frozen and reheated later without losing their quality.

- Our Family Dessert Pies can be eaten hot or cold. They can also be frozen.
- Our pies do have an egg wash on top.
- Our pies are not gluten free.
- Our pies may contain traces of nuts and sesame seeds.

 Our Family Pies are pre-baked and chilled. The pies are delivered in a clear plastic bag and labelled. Please email <u>pies@ncpreschool.co.nz</u> for a full list of ingredients.