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

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## Kia ora koutou



**School Picnic** – We will make a decision tomorrow morning about the school picnic at Wainuiomata Pools. A notice will be put on the school Facebook page and a message emailed by 8.00am. The weather may not be as warm as we would like but the pools are heated. If we do



go ahead, as well as the usual sunscreen, hat and adequate food, please provide clothes that your child/children can warm up in when they are not swimming.



**Nits** – Another reminder to please check your child's head regularly for nits and treat if necessary. Whilst this is an ongoing issue in all schools, if everyone is vigilant, it will definitely help the problem.

**Working Bee-Garden Project** - We are aiming to meet again this Saturday (14 March) from 9am-3pm, with a wet weather day for Sunday 15<sup>th</sup>. We will post on the Otari School Facebook page for more information.





**Parking in Shropshire Avenue** – A reminder to be considerate when parking in Shropshire Avenue. This is a very narrow street and is only suitable for parking on one side. DO NOT park on the footpath; we need our children to be safe walking home.

**Help with Funding Applications** - We are starting a new initiative in relation to applying for external funds and grants to assist the school with specific requirements, such as new learning or sports equipment, artificial turf for the field, improvements to classrooms, etc. At the moment this is a major source of potential revenue which we are not utilising.

We would like to hear from anybody who is interested in being part of a loose affiliation of parents willing and motivated to assist with making funding/grant applications. Commitment will be limited to what you are able to offer and support will be provided. If you have any interest or expertise in this area, please contact Martin at <u>martinverejones@yahoo.com</u> or 021 245 4747.



**Taonga Horomata/Virtues** - For the next 5 weeks we are looking at the virtues needed for successful working and learning. We will be fostering the virtues that will help children manage themselves and their tasks when they are learning. We are particularly focusing on:

Diligence - Puku mahi Integrity - Ngākau atapu Purposefulness - Whakatara-ngā Creativity - Waihanga-tanga Trustworthiness - Matatika-ngā

"What we ever hope to do with ease, we must first learn to do with diligence." Samuel Johnson

## Payment

**Costs** – Below is a summary of the costs required. Payments can be made direct into our school account (060561 0017355 00). We understand it is an expensive time of the year, so please feel free to make small regular payments:

- Technology for Yr 7/8 \$50.00
- School Picnic \$10.00 per child
- Taki Rua production \$4 per child
- Class Consumables \$10.00 per child
- Maths Buddy for Years 3-8 \$14.00 per child
- Educa (Montessori Strand only) \$4 per child
- Donation: Parent Donation \$250 per family
- Donation: Photocopying/printing contribution \$10 per child



Activity	Who's Involved	Date & Time	Cost
School Picnic	Everyone	Wed 11 Mar	\$10
Vision Testing	Yr 7s and newbees	Mon 16 Mar	
WZ Football	Selected Students	Tues 24 Mar	
Immunisations Yr 8s	Yr 8s	Thurs 26 Mar	
School Cross Country	All Students	Wed 1 Apr	
Futsal Tournament	Yr 3-4	Tues 7 Apr	\$5

Have a great week everyone.

Ngā mihi Clifford

## Extra notices that have gone home recently: Nil



**Montessori at Otari Preschool and Playgroup** warmly invite interested families to our Open Day on Saturday 14 March, 10am–12 noon, at the Preschool (166 Wilton Road). If you know of anybody else who is interested in

our Playgroup and/or Preschool and may find the Open Day of interest, please let them know about this opportunity. For more information phone 475 9688 or email <u>wcmp@xtra.co.nz</u>.

**Fashion Pre Sale** - Karori West Normal School is hosting a Fashion Pre Sale this Saturday 14 March from 1pm till 7pm in their school hall. We invite you to come along and see our great selection of women's, men's, children and baby clothes, shoes and accessories. Should be a great day with lots of bargains. EFT POS available as well as cash.

**Community Sports Banks** have been set up in your community to allow everyone access to sports gear, and get more kids active. If you need or want sports gear, talk to your school sports coordinator. If you've grown out of sports gear from last year, or don't use it anymore, drop it in, so it can be used again and someone else can enjoy playing because of it. Your nearest sports bank is St Ninian's Uniting Parish, 208 For more information check Karori Road, Karori. us out on facebook www.facebook.com/communitysportsbank/. Room in the car? Keep your neighbours and school friends in mind when you're registering for sports, and offer a ride to games and trainings. Tell your kids to tell their friends. Sports clubs also often have a selection of second hand boots for a small cost, to enable cheaper participation. Some clubs have scholarships too. Give them a call or email.

**Karori West Normal School Fair** is on Saturday 21 March from 11am - 2pm. There is a lot of great items to buy, delicious food and loads of fun activities and sideshows. So come along, grab a deal, have a turn on the Little Drivers, bouncy castle or angry birds game. Sit and enjoy a treat from our cafe and cakes stall then lunch from our international foodcourt. Should be a fun day, hope to see you there. Don't forget your keep cup and shopping bag.

**Register to play junior rugby in 2020!** At Wellington Football Club (Axemen Junior Rugby) we cater for all grades from nursery grade (3 and 4 year olds play for free!), through rippa rugby for children up to 9 years of age and tackle rugby for the older kids. To register your child please email robgordon@windowslive.com or attend our Canes in Club Registration Day at Hataitai Park on March 25th from 5.30pm. As a club we promote the values of structure on the field, hard work and fun in everything we do. We have exceptional coaches and are a tight-knit community club. In 2020 we turn 150, the oldest playing through club in New Zealand! We look forward to you joining our whanau.

**Be part of our village at Wilton Playcentre!** Wilton Playcentre is a tight knit community of families with members from Northland, Wilton, Wadestown and other surrounding suburbs. Playcentre gives you the opportunity to be part of how your child learns, and develops through play. We also offer drop off days for older children. We warmly invite you and your tamariki to come and visit us, and experience our great centre. For more information - call (04) 475 8361, email <u>playcentrewilton@qmail.com</u> or visit our Facebook page <u>@WiltonPlaycentre</u>. Our kids love their Playcentre, and we are sure that yours will too.

