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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 11, Term 2

Kia ora koutou

Welcome to a new child and his whānau: Harvey Dods (Kākano)





Emails - Be considerate please

The volume of emails teachers have been getting from parents has increased. Some of these emails express a concern. Emails allow parents and teachers to communicate a lot quicker and in many cases, more effectively than before this electronic capability was

available. However, emailing can also have drawbacks. It can be too easy to vent feelings in an email and then, having done so, have no consideration for the effect it has on the teacher and their ability to function for the rest of the day. Before writing one, consider if you are helping to progress discussion towards a solution, or if making an appointment and having a face to face korero might be more helpful.

Driveway

Please DO NOT STOP and drop your children off at the top of the driveway. This blocks access for other drivers and makes it dangerous for children crossing.





Senior Student Committee

This year instead of Student Council we have a Senior Student Committee. Any year 7 or 8 student can be part of this committee to support school initiatives and provide a student voice. Last week we had our first meeting. In attendance were Pemma, Johnny, Aisha, Finn, Corinne, Carmel, Mairerangi, Maia, Tuia, Aromea and Awhina. We discussed fundraising ideas and a possible sports tournament. We will

be meeting again next week on Wednesday. I look forward to working with these students and any others who wish to be part of the Senior Student Committee.

Winter Illness

We had 40 children away yesterday and 6 staff members. This tells us that people are rightly prioritising their own or their children's health during these Winter months.





Matariki - Keeping the Storehouse Full

As part of Matariki each year we collect items of food for families in need. I am liaising this year with a group of Otari parents who are supporting any of our own families who may benefit from some extra food. They have sent through the following information about this:

There will be a Matariki food drive at school. This is to support families within Te Kura o Otari we know of who are facing financial hardship. There will be a collection box outside the main office where you can drop non-perishable items and/or New World gift cards (to enable us to buy fresh produce). Nonperishable items like corn flakes, ricies, pasta, pasta sauce, tinned soup, baked beans, muesli bars, crackers, tinned tuna, canned fruit and toilet tissue will be gratefully received. If you are able to contribute, please know it will directly help tamariki within our community. Vidhya Balakrishnan

Te Reo Māori Phrases

I TE ATA - In the Morning Kāti te moeroa - No sleeping in. Change moera (sleep in) to whakaroaroa (dawdle) or amuamu (moan).

I au te moe? - Did you sleep well?

Huakina ngā ārai - Open the curtains. Replace huakina with katia and you'll have "close the curtains."





Taonga Horomata - Virtue

Unity - Kotahitanga

Otari School would not be able to function without this virtue. It is captured in our overarching value of whanangatanga. Having three distinct strands within one campus works because there are core values we all support that allow us to appreciate and maintain our diversity. We are unified about our vision of "inspiring a love of learning that values the development of the whole child." We

are unified in our belief that fostering social, emotional, physical and academic development of children is essential for real success. We are united in our support of te reo Māori and our aspirations to continue to develop knowledge and understanding of tikanga Māori. We are united in our fostering of respect for self, others and the environment. Each strand has their own unique approaches to education. Each strand has certain aspects of programming that are particular to them. Each strand is able to retain their integrity and identity because of the core value 'pillars' that support us all and provide the kotahitanga needed for a school like ours to thrive.

Ma te kotahitanga e whai kaha ai tātau - In unity is our strength

Limited School Cross Country – Thursday 25 June, Wilton Park, 1.30pm. Whānau are welcome to come along and watch.





	Activity	Who's Involved	Date & Time	Cost
J	Technology	Yr 7/8s	26 June, 3 Jul	
2	Cross Country	Yr 4-8	Thurs 25 June	
	BOT Meeting		Mon 29 June	
	School Photos	All students	Tues 28 July	

Have a great week everyone. Reminder that the term ends on Friday 3 July at 2.55pm

Ngā mihi Clifford

2020 Term Dates					
Term 2	Wed 15 Apr	Fri 3 Jul			
Term 3	Mon 20 Jul	Fri 25 Sept			
Term 4	Mon 12 Oct	Tues 15 Dec			
Labour Weekend: Mon 26 Oct (Staff Only Day on Friday 23 Oct)					



Sunshine Drama classes provide a creative and fun learning space for students aged 4 - 16 years of age. Sessions engage imaginative minds, grow confidence & build communication, performance and social skills. For further info or to arrange a free trial class, contact Jenae on 027438053 www.sunshinedrama.co.nz.

Zumba Fitness in Wilton - Would you like to try out a Zumba Fitness class? Zumba classes are held at the Otari School Hall, 166 Wilton Road, Wilton. Come along and experience the benefits of Zumba Fitness. Classes are suitable for beginners and all levels of fitness. Options will be given to suit your fitness needs. WHEN: Wednesday 7.00pm – 8.00pm. Friday 6.15pm – 7.15pm

\$11 per class, students \$7. FIRST CLASS FREE. 5 and 10 trip tickets are available. Contact: Annick 021 462 042

or email *zumbawithannick@gmail.com*

Cricket Wellington July School Holiday Programmes - Cricket Wellington are excited to welcome players back to Sky Stadium for our July School Holiday Programmes. Our unique beginners and intermediate programmes cater for players at all levels, whether they're just starting out or looking to build on previous experience. Get the kids involved today – click on the link below for more information or to register <u>https://www.cricketwellington.co.nz/WSC-1/WELLINGTON-SCHOOL-OF-CRICKET</u>

Elements Rhythmic Gymnastics - Rhythmic Gymnastics is a mix of dance and gymnastics. It develops hand-eye co-ordination through the use of apparatus – rope, hoop, ball, clubs and ribbon. We are the only Rhythmic Gymnastics Club in the Wellington region. If your son or daughter loves to dance and is looking for something a little different, then come along to a class and give it a try! Email info@rhythmicgym.nz to arrange a FREE trial. We have classes available from Mon to Sat, min. numbers apply. Our classes are in Thorndon, just opposite the Botanical Gardens. For more information about Elements and our classes, visit rhythmicgym.nz.

Artrageous July Holiday Adventure: 6 – 17 July 2020 - Aimed at children aged 5-12 years. Our classes provide a space for all children to explore at their own pace; chaotic or careful, gingerly or with gusto, tiptoeing or tromping. Our aim is to draw out their creativity, not stuff things in! Bookings essential. <u>BOOK NOW!</u> Venue: Poneke Dojo, Prince of Wales Park, Salisbury Tce, Mt Cook, Wellington. 8.30am–3:00pm \$69 and after care 3:00pm-5.15pm \$15.

Olderageous Creative Exploration: 6 – 17 July 2020

Our BIG KIDS programme is aimed at children aged 10-14 years. Providing them with a space, focused adult attention and loads of resources. This programme is tailored to draw out older children's interest in creating and using their imagination and creativity in a hilariously fun atmosphere. Bookings essential. <u>BOOK</u> <u>NOW!</u>

Venue varies (please refer to our booking site): Poneke Dojo, Prince of Wales Park, Salisbury Tce, Mt Cook, Wellington, or Pavillion at Wellington High School, Taranaki St, Mt Cook, Wellington. 8.30am–3:00pm \$69 and after care 3:00pm-5.15pm \$15

Kelly Sports:

- *Kelly Club July Holiday Programme* focus on giving children aged between 5 and 12 the opportunity to do things they enjoy in a safe, supportive and encouraging environment. This programme is packed with activities to entertain and inspire children. We have some exciting days planned: Rainbow Day, Cartoon Day, Crazy Day plus some exciting trip days including going to the see the movie Trolls 2! Kelly Club is available at the following centres: West Rugby Clubrooms Wilton, Kelburn Normal School, Churton Park School, Amesbury School, West Park School, Island Bay School .To enrol <u>www.kellyclub.co.nz</u>, email <u>adminwgtn@kellysports.co.nz</u> or ph. 04 972 7201.
- Football Morning Holiday Programme (Yrs. 1–6) Wests Rugby Clubrooms, Wilton (all weather indoor surface). Children aged between 5 and 12 can come along and improve their technique, knowledge and skills. We will focus on the core skills of control, dribbling, passing, tackling and shooting but MOST importantly having as much FUN as possible! Week 1 Tues, Wed, Thurs 9.30am-12.30pm, Week 2 Tues, Weds, Thurs 9.30am-12.30pm

- Netball Holiday Programme Northland Memorial Hall (**New Venue**!) Come along and grow your child's confidence at the Kelly Sports Netball Holiday Programme. Years 1-4 Learn the basic fundamentals of netball in a fun and engaging environment. Learn the key skills and understanding of the game, ball handling, co-ordination, speed and accuracy. Years 5-8 For those already playing 7-a-side netball and those wanting to get a head start and advance their technical and tactical knowledge of the game. We use fun drills and games to develop and challenge young players focusing on the key skill areas for their level of development while also having fun! Week 2 Tues, Weds, Thurs 9am-12pm.
- Kelly Sports Term 3. Kelly Sports will be back in Term 3 with their fun and exciting classes. Kelly Sports encourages children to have fun, build confidence and to give sport a go. We believe that sport and physical activity has so much to offer young people; it improves fitness, develops communication skills, team work and gives them a place to channel their energy. Play Like a Sports Hero! (Yrs. 1-4) Wednesday's Lunchtime 3.05pm-4.05pm Come and try 2 weeks of: Netball, Hockey, Rippa Rugby and Football. It's a great way to try new sports, learn new skills and improve ability. We use games & drills to teach game sense and team play. Your child will learn the fundamental skills for all sports throwing, running, jumping, striking, balance and many more all while having a great time!
- For full details and to enrol into our programmes visit <u>www.kellysports.co.nz</u> email <u>adminwqtn@kellysports.co.nz</u> or call 04 972 7201.



