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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 7, Term 3

Kia ora koutou

Sorry Strike you pots & lots

Last week I received the sad news that due to health concerns Glenise Ward, known to the children as Whaea Kui (Tūī class), would not be returning to Otari School. Glenise was planning to retire at the end of this year and had hoped that by reducing her hours she would be able to achieve that. By leaving early however, she will be able to more effectively address her health and well-being which we hope will allow her to enjoy her life as she deserves

to after so many years of dedicated service to teaching and children.

Whaea Kui is known for her warmth, kindness and commitment to the tamariki. Her caring presence will be missed by the tamariki, whānau and staff. As a valued colleague we all wish her the very best for the future.





Interzones Cross Country - Congratulations to Angus Currie, William Fullelove and Adam Smith who represented the Western Zone Schools at the Interzones Cross Country last Tuesday. This is a very



Interzones Cross Country last Tuesday. This is a very competitive race and all our runners placed well. Particular congratulations to Adam Smith who placed first in his race.



Parent Interviews are scheduled for week 8 (7, 8 & 9 September). Interview times can be booked at: https://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz/. The school code is **nfkgv.** Please let Jillian know if you have any problems; she can book one for you if necessary.

Code Club - No code Club next Monday due to parent interviews





EcoStore Bottles – We're teaming up with Ecostore's Plastic Return Programme to help address the plastic problem. Too much of our recycling is being sent overseas, ending up in landfill or even in the oceans. Let's keep in in New Zealand and reuse it. Pop your empty Ecostore bottles in the cardboard box outside the office and Ecostore will collect and remake them again and again.

Onesie Day - A reminder that this Friday (4 September) is Onesie Day, the Wellington Free Ambulance fundraiser for the year. Children are invited to wear their Onesie or pyjamas to school on that day for a gold coin donation. Of course, a donation can still be made if they don't want to wear their onesie or pyjamas. You can also make a donation of any amount as a family. Senior student committee reps will collect money from each class.





Onesie Day Bake Sale on Friday - Kakariki are holding a bake sale as part of their study in maths about money and in support of Onesie Day. All money raised from the bake sale will go to the Wellington Free Ambulance. Everything will either be 50c or \$1. (Please send along small coins with your child).



Taonga Horomata: Focus - Working and Learning: Fostering the virtues that will help children manage themselves and their tasks and enhance their learning.



Perseverance

This is a challenging virtue to foster in a world where we have such access to quick fix solutions, instant results and easy convenience in so many aspects of our lives.

At the end of the newsletter is an article about this copied from "Dr Cumers Good Play Guide" – (goodplayguide.com). It has 8 useful tips for fostering perseverance in children.

Te Reo Māori -

TE NEO MIAOTI -	
Maori vocabulary	English translation
Ko Mere tēnei	This is Mere
Ko wai tō ingoa?	What's your name?
Ko Hōne	It's Hōne
Nō hea koe?	Where are you from?
Nō Kāi Tahu	From Kāi Tahu
Nō te Tai Tokerau	From Northland











Activity	Who's Involved	Date & Time	Cost
Bake Sale / Onesie Day	Everyone	Fri 4 Sept	
Gym Sessions	Junior/Middle School	7, 14 Sept	\$18
Board Meeting		Mon 14 Sept	
Māori Language Week	Everyone	14-18 Sept	
EPro8	Selected Students	Dates changed; to be confirmed	
Immunisations	Yr 8s	Thurs 24 Sept	

Have a great week everyone.

Ngā mihi Clifford

20	20	Term	Dates
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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)				

Don't Be A Quitter – How To Encourage Perseverance In Children

(Copied from "Dr Cumers Good Play Guide" - goodplayguide.com)

Perseverance is a difficult skill to foster in this world of instant gratification and easy credit, but helping children learn when to stick at something could be one of the best things you can do for your child. Everyone knows that at some point life gets tough and it is how people cope with the tough times that defines them much more than the good ones.

No one likes a quitter but it's also no use doggedly sticking to something when everything is telling you it is not going to work. Learning to tell the difference is the key to success in all aspects of life.

'It doesn't matter if you try and try and try again, and fail. It does matter if you try and fail, and fail to try again. Charles Kettering'

- 1. **Be patient** Perseverance will not come over night and will take time to teach children. If at first you don't succeed, try and try again!
- 2. **Model perseverance** Demonstrate to your child how to set realistic goals with a suitable time frame.
- Applaud effort and celebrate achievements to encourage perseverance and show how commitment pays
 off.
- 4. **Don't be too quick to help** Allowing children to struggle a bit and then get the satisfaction of having achieved something on their own is a positive way of encouraging perseverance and it will be self-reinforcing as children will start to enjoy the challenge and the feeling of success afterwards. Make sure you give plenty of praise for children's efforts and don't always focus on the result.
- 5. **Prioritising is key** Teach your child how to prioritise tasks this also teaches them about time management.
- 6. **Allow children to give up when necessary** don't force children to persist with things that they are not getting any benefit from. It is common for parents to push their children to do well at things that they enjoyed as a child, or that they wish they'd done, but make sure that you are not pushing your child to do things that he or she has no real interest in or talent for as this will only lead to resentment later on.
- 7. **Encourage children to take responsibility for their decisions** if a child is giving up an activity, ask him/her to explain why and talk through the implications for this. Where possible, encourage the child to be the one to tell the other people in the group and the group leader.
- 8. **Don't overschedule children** children who have very busy timetables often never quite get round to finishing things or doing any of their activities properly. Allow children time to do their activities properly and finish them off before starting the next thing.



Sun, Sand & Surf - Join Maranui Surf Life Saving Club.Club Open Day on Sunday 20 September, 10am - 12pm. Summer is approaching, so now is the time to register with Maranui Surf Life Saving Club. Junior Surf is a great way for children to make friends, be active and enjoy the beach in a

safe environment. Come along to our Registration and Club Open Day on Sunday 20 September, 10am - 12pm. See what's happening at the club this season, meet coaches, lifeguards and athletes, have a look around the surf clubhouse, ask questions, and if conditions allow have a go. Information on junior surf, lifeguard sport and becoming a lifeguard will be available. You'll be so impressed you can even register on the day. We look forward to seeing you all. Or join Maranui SLSC today at www.maranui.co.nz/how-to-join.html and check us out on Facebook - www.facebook.com/MaranuiSLSC Maranui Junior Surf season starts on Sunday 1 November 2020.

Junior Softball – Register now for softball 5-14 years at https://www.sporty.co.nz/jvillesc/ or contact Junior Softball - Register now for Softball 5 – 14 years at johnsonvillejuniorsoftball@gmail.com, check out Johnsonville Softball Club on Facebook, or contact johnsonvillejuniorsoftball@gmail.com or phone Sue on 0272760644.

Pride Lands Fun Holiday Adventures Winter Holidays At South Wellington Intermediate School and Otari School. 28th Sep— 9th Oct 2020 From 7.00am-6pm Daily. Interactive Activities and NO TV or Video Games, Kai Cubs Cooking, Keep Fit Karapu Fitness, and Life Skills Programme creating healthy Breakfast, Lunch and Afternoon Teas. One-on-one care and shuttle services available. Daily \$81/cub per session or \$148 for two or more siblings per session; Weekly: \$243 per cub/week or \$453 for two or more siblings/week. WINZ subsidies are available for eligible families. Please contact us: 0800 PRIDE 4 U Or Register online: www.pridelands.org.nz or Visit our Facebook page: www.Facebook.com/PrideLandsChildcare. NB: Our Home Support Service (Pride in Action) is also available per family at \$26/hr anywhere across Wellington Region.

Sept/October 2020 Holiday Programme – Northland Kidz Club - We'll be playing golf at Carlucci Land, doing a Circus Workshop, enjoying a kids theatre production ("Thumbelina") and going to the Botanic Gardens. Making bread (and pancakes), going to parks & play areas and, of course, Time Cinema, who will be putting on another different selection of early cartoons & films (we'll be going to Lyall Bay Beach first, weather permitting!. \$45 per child per day (third child onwards:\$20), 8.30 a.m to 6 p.m 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).

Cricket - Online registration for the 2020-2021 season is now open. Please go to https://wellingtoncollegians.org/pages/juniors. We have teams from Nursery Grade (Year 0-1) to Year 8 – catering for primary and intermediate school boys and girls of all ages and abilities. Nursery grade is an introduction to cricket where children and parents will be introduced to the core skills of the game. Dual pitch cricket is a great, fast format for Years 2 & 3 played with a soft cricket ball. All players get a good bat and bowl, participating in the game the entire time. Finished in 45 minutes.

Indoor training for hard ball grades, (Years 5-8) starts on the weekend of 12/13 September at the Basin Reserve. This 5 week indoor pre-season programme (run over 6 weeks) is very popular and prepares the players well for the start of the season. For details please go to https://wellingtoncollegians.org/pages/spring-training

You may prefer to come along in person to our Open Day and Gear swap Saturday 19 September, 10am – 12pm at our Anderson Park Clubrooms at the Botanic Gardens (next to the Rose Gardens). Committee members will be on hand to answer any questions. There will be a gear swap opportunity for experienced players who have outgrown their equipment to provide kit for younger cricketers. Surplus gear will go to communities in need.

Planning for the season is in full swing and we are looking forward to another great season of cricket at Collegians!

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9.00am-5.00pm SAT 12th & 9.00am-12.00pm SUN 13th SEPTEMBER

To be held in the Student Centre, Onslow College, Burma Road, Johnsonville – drive on up!

Sausage sizzle. EFTPOS available

[PLEASE NOTE THAT OUR FAIR WILL NOT BE PROCEEDING IF WELLINGTON IS STILL IN LEVEL 2]













Children Understanding Mental Health Programme

Is a free education/activity based programme for children aged 8 to 12 who have a member of their family or whānau experiencing mental health and or addictions concerns

Start: Saturday, 5th September 2020

Running for 3 weeks

When: 9:30am—12:15pm

Where: Porirua

Email: anne@atareria.org.nz



For more information check out our website www.artrageouskids.co.nz

In addition to the scheduled programmes, our primary activities are always available i.e painting, drawing, 3D and construction.

Activities can change due to the interests of the children.



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