

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

17 November 2020

Week 6, Term 4

Kia ora koutou

Welcome to three new students and their whānau:

Coco Carpenter (Pōhutukawa)

Phoenix Carpenter (Pōhutukawa)

Arama Clemerson-Phillips (Kōwhai)

Nau mai, haere mai!



Interzone Athletics - Congratulations to the following children who placed in the Western Zone Athletics and are representing Otari School and the rest of the Western Zone Schools at the Interzone Athletics today:

Angus Currie - 2nd Y8 Shotput

Matariki Hautapu - 2nd Y7 Shotput

Reihana Christian-Wagner - 3rd Y5 Quoits

PLD Opportunity - We congratulate Sacha Fell on her success in being accepted for two terms of professional learning for The Science Teacher Leadership Programme from *Royal Society Te Apārangi*. Sacha has been given two terms leave from her classroom responsibility to pursue this professional development.



Another teacher will be appointed for two terms relieving in Kereru.

Parents will be informed of who this is when an appointment is made next year. We will endeavour to do all we can to ensure a smooth transition of teachers. Christine Dowell will continue to work on Thursdays.



2021 Staffing and classes

Acronyms: CRT - Classroom Release Time, DP - Deputy Principal, AP - Assistant Principal

Māori Immersion Strand

Api Nathan: Fulltime teacher, Kaikōmako, Strand leader, AP, teaching years 5, 6, 7 and 8

Aja Wairere Ropata (Whaea Wairere): Fulltime teacher, Tūi, teaching years 2, 3 and 4

Lynette Franklin: Fulltime teacher, Kōwhai, teaching years 1 and 2

Cilla Noblett: .6 support (3 days)

Nichole Craig: .6 classroom release time and support (3 days)

Tom Wild: .2 (1 day) Te Reo Pakeha and AP release

Parekohai Wells: Fulltime Kaiarahi i te reo

Katrina Murray: 20 hours teaching assistant

Montessori Strand

Deborah Sorensen: .8 teacher, Ngaio and Strand leader, teaching years 5, 6, 7 and 8

Paula Crisp: .8 teacher, Pōhutukawa, teaching years 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 (until students are 9 years old)

Catherine Hope: .8 teacher, 1 day in Ngaio, 1 day in Pōhutukawa, CRT and teaching support

Kanae Tsuji: Fulltime teaching assistant, Pōhutukawa

Original Strand

Susan West: Fulltime teacher, Kākāriki, Strand Leader, DP, teaching years 2 and 3

Britta Martini: Fulltime teacher, teaching in Kākano and delivering Reading Recovery in the afternoon, Junior Syndicate leader, teaching years 1 and 2

Shani Leda: .8 teacher (4 days per week) in Kākano

Tom Wild: .2 in Kākano (every Friday) and .2 CRT

Sacha Fell: .8 teacher, Kererū, teaching years 4 and 5 for two terms

Christine Dowell: .4 teaching in Kākāriki on Fridays and Kererū on Thursdays

Johanne Wicks: Fulltime teacher in Tōtara, Senior Syndicate leader, teaching years 6, 7 and 8

Kathy Heath: Reading Recovery teacher.

We have been provided with very good staffing levels for next year. We will be able to utilise an extra .4 (equivalent to 2 days or 10 hours contact time). We can bank this and we can target it towards classes that need extra support, provide release for management responsibilities such as the library and leadership and employ teachers for special events or activities, should we wish to.



25 haora ia wiki mō te tau 2021. He tūnga Kaiāwhina i roto i te whenu Māori. E kimi ana i tētahi tangata hihiko, ngākahu aroha me te rikiriki, a kei a i a hoki te reo rangatira. Whakakapā mai ki a Susan West, susan@otari.school.nz. Mēna ka hiahia koe i ētahi atu pārongo.

Teacher Aide position Immersion Strand 2021 - We have a teacher aide position in the Immersion Strand for up to 25 hours per week for 2021. We seek a speaker of te reo Māori who is an energetic, enthusiastic and empathetic person. For more information please contact Susan West, susan@otari.school.nz.



Technology for Yr 7/s – A reminder that there is a catch-up lesson next Monday (23rd). Bus leaves at 8.45am.



Bake Sale – The Immersion strand are having a Bake Sale on Monday 23 November. Lots of yummy home baking for gold coins.



Pack the Bus is back – The Wellington City Mission will be visiting Otari on **Monday 30 November**. Since 1992 Pack the Bus has helped tens of thousands of Wellington families by collecting non-perishable food items, games, toys etc. See below for items they would like to collect.



School T- Shirts – Please urgently return.



Online Safety Information Evening – 26 November 6:30 to 8pm.

Rob and Zareen Cope, parents and filmmakers of “Our Kids Online” will be presenting an interactive information evening “designed to help any adults with children in their lives to gain a better understanding of some of the harms our children face in the online world”. Advice and resources will also be a part of this evening.

There is a cost to the school which covers the presenter’s fees and gives the school the rights to the film. We would like to recover some of this cost by charging a \$5.00 entry fee. Please send an email to Jillian (office@otari.school.nz) to reserve a seat for this event and make payment into the school account (060561 0017355 00).

Hats are compulsory for children in terms 1 and 4. We have some bucket hats for sale from the office, \$12 each. Caps are not acceptable.



Missing Bike – Has anyone seen a black Mocka balance bike, last seen outside the school office. Please contact Paula 022-677-8898 if you can help.

Taonga Horomata/Virtues: Whakaaro Rangatira – Idealism

The future is not something we enter – the future is something we create

Related to idealism is aspiration - **wawata**

Ko te pae tawhiti, whāia kia tata; ko te pae tata, whakamaua kia tīna – seek out distant horizons and cherish those you attain.



**UPCOMING
EVENTS**



**What's
Happening**

Activity	Who's Involved	Date & Time	Cost
EPro8 Semi Finals	Selected students - Yr 5/6	Wed 18 Nov	
Bake Sale	Everyone	Mon 23 Nov	
Immunisations	Yr 7/8s	Tues 24 Nov	
Information Evening	Parents/Caregivers	Thurs 26 Nov	\$5

EPro8 Grand Final	Selected Students – Yr 7/8	Mon 30 Nov, 5pm	
EPro8 Grand Final	Selected Students – Yr 5/6	Tues 1 Dec, 9.30am	
Disco Day	All Students	Thurs 3 Dec	TBC
Yr 8 Dinner	Yr 8s	Tues 8 Dec)
Yr 8 Celebration	Yr 7/8s and whānau of Yr 8 students	Wed 9 Dec)\$30
Yr 8 Outing	Yr 8s	Thurs 10 Dec)

Have a great week everyone.

Ngā mihi
Clifford



sKids Cardinal McKeefry specialises in delivering quality before school care, after school care and holiday programmes. We strive to create a fun and safe environment that our kids just love! We are now taking bookings for our action packed Summer holiday programme and term 1. For more information please contact Jools Da Silva on 021 0254 3249 or email jools@skids.co.nz.



Christmas Items	Essential Items	New Toys & Gifts
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Single adult Christmas cakes • Fancy Biscuits/Crackers • Christmas desserts • Chippies • Salted nuts • Chocolate • Relishes/Sauces/Pickles • Retail vouchers • Pavlova/Meringues 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tinned fruit • Plain biscuits • Tinned meals • Muesli bars • Tinned fish/Meat • Pasta sauce • Condiments • Baby items (e.g. food/nappies) • Laundry powder /Dishwashing liquid 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vouchers (e.g. Movies/ Zoo/Pool/Supermarket) • Construction toys (e.g. Lego/Meccano/Blocks) • Teen gifts for 10-16 year olds • Educational toys • Books • Puzzles & Board games • Baby toys for 0-2 year olds (e.g. Rattles/Shape sorters) • Diaries/Calendars • Sports equipment



WELCOME SUMMER!
WITH NGAIO PLAYCENTRE

REGENERATIVE GARDENING

GUEST SPEAKERS
ANDRE STANTON & JESS BARNES

TICKETS \$12

<https://npcfundraiser.eventbrite.co.nz>

Tuesday 1st of December, Khandallah Town Hall

6.30 pm complementary arrival drink

7pm Presentation

Refreshments & gardening gifts for sale

Cash or internet banking accepted