

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

16 February 2021

Week 3, Term 1

*Kia ora koutou*

## Your School Board needs you!! Board of Trustees By-Election

You will shortly receive an email, seeking nominations to join the Otari School Board. Recently three members resigned because they moved out of the region or their children left Otari and we need **three new members** to replace them. We currently have one parent representative from the Montessori Strand and two from the Māori Immersion Strand, as well as the Principal and a staff representative.



Being on the Board is a positive way to contribute to our Otari school community and get involved in your child's education. You don't need governance experience to be involved. You can find more information about the work of a Board here:

<https://parents.education.govt.nz/primary-school/getting-involved-in-your-childs-school/your-school-board-of-trustees/>.

We are open to all nominations but would be keen to receive one or more nominations from parents and whānau in the Original strand so the Board has representatives from all three strands of our school.

If you are not able to print your nomination form please see Jillian in the office as she will have lots of spare copies. Completed nomination forms are due back by noon, **Wednesday 10 March 2021**.

Ngā mihi  
Natasha  
Chairperson

### This advertisement will be in this week's Independent Herald

#### Otari School Board of Trustees Election

Nominations are open for the election of three parent representatives to the Board of Trustees.

All eligible voters will receive a nomination form and a notice calling for nominations – you can use this form to nominate yourself or someone in your community. If you need more nomination forms, contact the school office.

Nominations close at noon on Wednesday 10 March 2021. You may provide a signed candidate statement and photograph with your nomination. The electoral roll is held at the school and can be viewed during normal school hours.

As nominations are received, there will be a list of candidates' names kept at the school up until election day, which you can view. Voting closes at 4pm on Monday 12 April.

Jillian Wilson  
Returning Officer



Welcome to a new student and his whānau. Nau mai haere mai ki:  
Dylan Smith (Kākano)



**Covid-19 Level 2** - Thank you everyone for being mindful that we are operating under level 2 Covid-19 restrictions at the moment. Please remember to sign in and apply the level 2 measures in relation to social distancing and hygiene.



**Our Kura** - This term I am going to include in each newsletter information about the school that may not be known to all parents. This Information will focus on different aspects of daily school life. Let me know if there is an aspect you think would be helpful to include.

**Starting the week with a hui**

Every Monday we have a whole school hui, also sometimes called assembly. This is deliberately held on Mondays so that we begin the week with the whole school together. It is a way of emphasising our overarching value of whanaungatanga (community connection/unity). We start the hui with a karakia and usually finish with a song or waiata. The hui is usually run by Clifford with the help of tamariki from the senior immersion class who announce each hui item in te reo Māori. The sequence is:

- Karakia
- Birthdays/Ra Whānau
- Sports/Hakinakina
- Notices from teachers/Pānui no ngā kaiako
- Notices for students/Pānui no ngā akonga
- Notices from the Principal/Pānui no te tumuaki
- Virtues/Taonga Horomata
- Song/Waiata

Parents are always welcome to attend our Monday Morning hui and begin the week with us (when we are at level 1).

**Updated Contact Information** – An email was sent last week requesting updated contact information. We would appreciate this information as soon as possible.



**Costs** – We understand that the start of the year is very costly; please feel free to make small regular payments into the school bank account (06-0561-0017355-00). Just inform Jillian what the payments are for (office@otari.school.nz).

**EOTC Week** – Notices were sent home & emailed last week.



**Spare clothes** – Our spare clothes box is nearly empty. If you have undies, socks and trousers/shorts (to fit 5-10yr olds) that your children have grown out of, send them our way. We do not require any tops.

**Diary Dates** – Below are the dates booked for our end of year events:

- Immersion Strand Poroporoaki - **Tuesday 30 November**
- Yr 8 Outing - **Wednesday 8 December**
- Yr 8 Dinner – **Thursday 8 December**
- Yr 8 Farewell – **Monday 13 December** (for Yr 7/8 students and whānau)



**Camp** - The camp meeting for parents who are attending will be held tomorrow at 6pm in Tōtara.

**Montessori Strand Afternoon Tea** is on Wednesday 24 February, 2.30pm.



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**Recorder and Ukulele** classes will begin next week:

Recorder - Mondays 12.45pm in Kākano (starting 22 Feb)

Ukulele - Fridays 12.45pm in Kākano (starting 26 Feb)

If your child would like to join, please contact Shani (shani@otari.school.nz)



**CodeClub** will be held again this year in the Kererū classroom on Mondays 3.10-4.10pm for children in Years 4-8. We aim to cater for all skill levels including beginners. The first session back is on Monday 22 February and will just be for children who have previously been to Code Club. We look forward to welcoming new members to Code Club on

Monday 1 March. We will be using the school equipment so children do not need to bring anything and the sessions are run by parent and teacher volunteers. If you are interested in volunteering please let us know. There is no cost for CodeClub but we would welcome a weekly gold coin koha to allow us to purchase additional resources. If you are interested in your child participating in CodeClub this year please email [sacha@otari.school.nz](mailto:sacha@otari.school.nz).

**Western Zone Football/Futsal** - The date for Western Zone Football for Yr 5-8 children has changed to 13 April which was the same week as the Futsal tournament. For this reason we will not be attending the Futsal tournament this year.



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**Taonga Horomata** - For the first half of this term we will focus on fostering the key virtues that help children relate to their peers as they play and work together.

### **Forgiveness – Muruhara**

‘Forgiveness is a gift you give yourself’ - Suzanne Somers

Utua te kino i te pai - Repay bad deeds with good

**Financial:** Here is a summary of the upcoming costs required:

- Camp Fees for Yr 7/8 - **\$270.00**
- Technology for Yr 7/8 - **\$50.00**
- EOTC Week Yr 1-4 - **\$18.00**
- Zoo Sleepover/EOTC Week Yr 5/6 - **\$46.00**
- Taki Rua performance (26 Mar) - **\$4.00**
- Class Consumables - **\$10.00** per child
- Contribution to costs for digital learning and reporting platforms - Original strand: (Seesaw, Reading Eggs, Mathletics) **\$18.00**
- Contribution to costs for digital learning and reporting platforms - Montessori strand: (Educa, MathsBuddy) **\$18:00**
- Contribution to costs for digital learning and reporting platforms - Immersion strand: (Seesaw, Mathletics, ) **\$15:00**
- Contribution for Jellybeans music - 10 sessions with trained tutors, **\$14:00** per child. (\$1:40 per session)
- Donation: Parent Donation **\$250.00** per family
- Donation: Photocopying/printing contribution **\$10.00** per child



Activity	Who's Involved	Date & Time	Cost
WZ Cricket	Selected Students	Tues 23 Feb <i>pp 25 Feb</i>	
Montessori Strand Afternoon Tea	Montessori Strand whānau	Wed 24 Feb 2.30pm	
Camp	Yr 7/8	2-5 Mar	
EOTC Week	Trip to Wainuiomata Pool	Tues 2 Mar	\$18
EOTC Week	Zoo Sleepover Yr 5-6	Wed 3 Mar	\$46
EOTC Week	Zoo Trip	Thurs 4 Mar	
Taki Rua performance	All Students	Fri 26 Mar	\$4.00
Easter Break – NO School	Everyone	1-6 Apr	
WZ Football	Selected Students	Tues 13 Apr <i>pp 15 Apr</i>	

Have a great week everyone.

Ngā mihi  
Clifford

#### 2021 Term Dates

Term 1 – 3 Feb – 16 Apr

Term 2 – 3 May – 9 Jul

Term 3: 26 Jul – 1 Oct

Term 4: 18 Oct – 15 Dec, 12 noon

Easter Break: Thurs 1 Apr – Tues 6 Apr

Queen's Birthday: Mon 7 June (Teacher Only day on Friday 4 June)

Labour Weekend: Mon 25 Oct (Teacher only day on Friday 22 Oct)



## Welcome back to all our Lunchonline Schools

Reminder to families and caregivers to update the classrooms for your children for 2021! This can be done by logging on to [www.lunchonline.co.nz](http://www.lunchonline.co.nz) and clicking on Members.

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Library

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Open Saturday  
10am - 12pm



## Wadestown Toy Library ~~~~~

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Saturday  
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**BOOKS BBQ BARGAINS...GREAT FOOD**

**CRAFT STALLS WHITE ELEPHANT**



The poster features a yellow background with a blue scalloped border. At the top center is the Lions International logo, a circular emblem with a lion's head and the letter 'L'. Flanking the logo are the words '50th' in red. Below this, the main title 'KARORI LIONS KARNIVAL & FAIR' is written in large, blue, outlined letters. Underneath the title, the date 'Sunday Feb 21st' and time '10am - 3:30pm' are listed in red. The location 'Ben Burn Park Campbell Street, Karori' is written in black and red. A red banner with white text reads 'ALL THE FUN OF THE FAIR!'. Below this, contact information is provided: 'For further information: www.karorikarnival.com or email: karorikarnival@lionsclubs.org.nz'. The entire poster is framed by a yellow border with black text on the sides.

**FUN RIDES FOR KIDS**

**ETHNIC FOOD**

**ALL DAY ENTERTAINMENT ON STAGE  
MUSIC ZUMBA DANCE**



**WINTER FOOTBALL REGISTRATIONS ARE NOW OPEN!**

The Waterside Karori Football Club invites all children to sign up and participate in the 2021 Winter football season! Junior players are placed into teams at the start of the season. Players can choose to play competitively (in a selected team), socially (with friends) or in the girls only league.

Teams play games on (mostly) Saturday mornings at locations throughout the Wellington region, according to a published weekly draw.

Team trainings take place during the week.

Girls only league and U17 youth league are played on Sunday mornings.

Karori teams play in the "Wellington/Western Zone Combined Leagues", except for selected teams who play in "Wellington Premier Leagues".

For more information or to sign up, please go to [www.karorifootball.co.nz](http://www.karorifootball.co.nz)

**PLAY FOR A WATERSIDE KARORI TEAM IN 2021 (APRIL - SEPTEMBER)**