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

8 June 2021

Week 6, Term 2

# Kia ora koutou

Nau mai, haere mai ki ngā ākonga hou me ō koutou ngā whānau:

Alice Brooker (Kākano) Victoria Makiasi (Kākano) Isaac Cromarty (Tōtara) Rachel Cromarty (Kererū)





## Hui/Assembly

**Ra whānau ki a Koe! Happy birthday to you....** Makere who turned 8 and Owen who turned 12 on the 5<sup>th</sup>, Sarah who turned 8 on the 6<sup>th</sup>, Ada who turned 8 yesterday, Maia who will turn 10 on the 10<sup>th</sup>, Rohan who will turn 6 on the 10<sup>th</sup>, Matariki who will turn 13 on the 8<sup>th</sup>, Hamish who turns 8 on the 11<sup>th</sup> and Zachariah who turns 6 on Saturday. We wish you all a very happy birthday!

## Pānui/Messages

- Well done to all those who participated in the Western Zone Cross Country. Congratulations to Amber Vere-Jones (2<sup>nd</sup> place year 4 girls) and Milo Biddington(7<sup>th</sup> place year 4 boys) who will be going forward to the interzone competition along with Adam Smith and Rohan Hubbard.
- Introductions the school welcomed four new students, Rachel, Isaac, Alice and Victoria.
- A reminder about the 20 Hour Famine and to the Student Committee members who are participating in a workshop on Friday.
- A reminder that Artsplash singing practices are in the hall at 12:15 every Tuesday.
- Johanne drew the children's attention to a poster advertising a special "Fortnite" event happening on Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> in Wellington.

**Reporting absences** - Please report absences to the school office. You can send these via text to 022 561 3368, email (<u>office@otari.school.nz</u>) or ring the school (475-3018). It's fine to let teachers know as well, but please ensure the office is informed **by you**. Do not rely on teachers to have seen the text or reported it to the office – they do not tend to be looking at their phones as they prepare for the day ahead.





Taonga Horomata - Over the next 5 weeks we are looking at the virtues thathelp us look after ourselves, our spaces and our community –Responsibility/KawengaCleanliness/NohomāOrderliness/WhakatikatikaService/Mahipono mō te katoa

The children have new sand and new sand pit toys. They can be **responsible** in the sandpit. Matua Clifford talked about what this looked like (and what it did not look like.) They can also be responsible with the new sandpit toys.

**Reports and Parent-Teacher Conferences** - Teachers are currently writing reports. These will be going out in week 8. Parent–Teacher conferences are in week 9 on Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> and in week 10 on 6 July. These conferences provide an opportunity for teachers to discuss your child's progress this year. These conferences are about updating you and clarifying expectations going forward. They are also about hearing from you and gaining useful information that can support future learning goals. You might find it helpful to bring their report along with you.



All interview times are booked online; go to <u>https://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz/</u>. The school code is **spuvf**. If you are unable to make a booking please contact Jillian, who will be able to do it for you.



**Matariki** - We will be celebrating Matariki as a school on Thursday 8 July. We are asking children to bring kai for a shared lunch in their strands. Prior to this all strands will meet together in the hall for a special time of sharing and waiata. Following karakia they will go to their strands for kai. All parents are invited to share in this celebration to mark the Māori New Year. We have celebrated this special time of

the year for many years at Otari School. However, we all continue to deepen our understanding of Matariki. With this in mind some of us are viewing this programme from Māori television: <u>https://www.maoritelevision.com/shows/beyond-matariki</u>

As part of our Matariki tradition to honour the concept of keeping the storehouses full over the forthcoming months we will be collecting food for the Wellington food bank during weeks 8 and 9 (starting 21 June.)

**40 hour famine update** - Have you been thinking about the 40 hour famine? It is coming up this month on June 25th - 27th and we would love you to get involved! The easiest way is to connect to our school fundraising page<u>https://my.worldvision.org.nz/ss/mraKgs/otari-school</u> and create your own page from there to share with whānau and friends. Have a look at the 40 hour famine website <u>https://www.worldvision.org.nz/connect/40-hour-famine/</u> for more information and ideas as well. We do have booklets available from the school office if you prefer. We hope to host some school events to encourage participation so watch this space...



School Lunch Reminder – All lunches are now ordered online. Go to ezlunch by clicking here!

**Fair Meeting** – A fair planning meeting will be on Thursday 10 June from 7.15-8.30pm in the staffroom. All welcome.





**Technology (Yr 7/8s)** – Technology is on this Friday (11<sup>th</sup>), 2 and 9 July. Bus leaves school at 8.40am.

Union Meeting - On Wednesday 23 June we require children to be collected from school at 12.30pm so that staff can attend a union meeting. A skeleton staff will remain for those children who are unable to be collected early.









Activity	Who's Involved	Date & Time	Cost
Montessori Soccer Tournament	Montessori Strand whānau	Sun 20 June	
Union Meeting – Pickup at 12.30pm	Everyone	Wed 23 June	
40 Hr Famine		26-27 June	
Parent/Teacher Conferences	All Parents/Caregivers	29-30 June, 6 July	
Matariki	All Students	Thurs 8 Jul	

Have a great week everyone.

Ngā mihi Clifford

## 2021 Term Dates

Term 2: Ends 9 July Term 3: 26 July – 1 Oct Term 4: 18 Oct - 15 Dec, 12 noon Labour Weekend: Mon 25 Oct (Teacher Only day on Friday 22 Oct)



SPACIOUS WELLINGTON HOUSE IN WILTON FOR RENT - Our four bedroom, two bathroom, unfurnished, North facing home next door to Otari-Wilton School will be available from 28 June 2021 for a year-long rental. There are the usual appliances, including a big heat pump. The house is sunny, clean, insulated and spacious. The dedicated outdoor car park is at the top of a lenient path. There is a flat back lawn, decks and a brick patio. The property is two

minute's walk away from bus routes into the city or Victoria University. Suitable for up to four people. The rent is \$775 per week, with one week in advance and four weeks bond.

*Please email me genuine expressions of interest, giving some background and references. Viewing by appointment.* Sorry, no smokers or pets. louise.wrightson@gmail.com

Who would like to pet-sit our two white female guinea pigs for the month of July? We are doing some landscaping and won't have any grass for them during that time. If you have a nice large lawn that needs trimming and are prepared to move a cage once a day then maybe you would like to help? Phone or text Jill 021 255 0956.

Free Lunch-Time Concert @ St Anne's (Northland) : Wed.16/6/21 - This one will be Eliza Pickard, singer/song writer and music therapist. It starts at 12.15pm and goes to around 1pm. Entry by koha / donation. Any queries, contact Jake, 027-746-7203. See you there !

Fergs Adventure Club: Holiday Programme 2021 - Here at Fergs' Kayaks our Term 2 Holiday Programme offers a number of different experiences in one fun package, from Rock Climbing, to Bouldering, and Adventure Challenges designed to challenge the body and mind! The Adventure Club Holiday Programme is from ages 8-17 and runs as a week-long programme from Monday- Friday both weeks of the July School Holidays. For more information or to register interest, please email Hope at <u>Saleswn@fergskayaks.co.nz</u>.

## Artrageous July Holiday Adventure: 12 – 23 July 2021 Programme BOOK ARTRAGEOUS JULY.

Aimed at children aged 5-10 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 \$79 and after care 3:00pm-5.30pm \$15

Olderageous July Creative Exploration: 12 – 23 July 2021 » <u>Programme</u> <u>BOOK OLDERAGEOUS JULY</u>. 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**. Venue: **Art rooms, Blo**ck D, Wellington High School, Taranaki St, Mt Cook, Wellington 8.30am–3:00pm \$79 and after care 3:00pm-5.30pm \$15.



BVO beer & wine : Platters & Supper provided : Raffles & Silent Auctions Non alcoholic drinks & snacks available for purchase . Eftpos available 1920s – 1980s theme : Spot prizes for "Best Dressed" & "Best Dancer" Karori West Normal School Hall

## **Purchase tickets from KWNS office**

A KWNS School Fundraiser : office@kwns.school.nz : Phone 476 6165

# AGES 9 TO 18 CODING LESSONS



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# Unravelling the Adolescent Brain



### Event Information

TIME & DATE Arrive at 7.15pm for a 7.30pm start. Thursday 17 June 2021

Kelburn Normal School Hall 16 Kowhai Road, Kelburn

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VENUE

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Topics include

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media use.

COST \$25

TICKETS

Tickets available on MyKindo or email pta@kelburnnormal.school.nz

