

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

27 July 2021

Week 1, Term 3

## ***Kia ora koutou***



Welcome back everyone to Term 3! This is a term in which teachers often start to see the fruits of their labour as progress is consolidated and built upon, relationships, routines and expectations are well established and we can look forward to 10 weeks of consistent, productive learning from our ākonga.

We welcomed Erana Bouzaid to our teaching staff on Monday and to her new role as Kaiako in Tūi class. We wish Erana a wonderful first week. We also wish this for Kristie Marks, a new part time teacher who is mainly teaching in Kākāriki (Thursday) and Kākano (Friday). Kristie will also be working at other times throughout the week in Kākano, as well.

Welcome also to 3 new students and their families. Nau mai, haere mai ki ngā ākonga hou me o rātou whānau:

William Crump (Pōhutukawa)	Emilio Bravo (Kākano)
Lou Zilliox (Pōhutukawa)	



### **Notices from our weekly hui:**

Ra whānau ki a Koe! Happy birthday to:

Kereru (turns 7 on Friday)

Kauri (turns 7 on Friday)

Kailah (turns 10 on Saturday)

### **Pānui/Messages:**

- Introducing our new Kaiako to all the tamariki
- Introducing new students to the school
- Message from Whaea Johanne about the Peace Art (see below)
- Message from Matua Tom about Code Club (see below)
- Hayley from World Vision spoke to the students about their fundraising last term, telling them that their money would fund 17 gardens for families. She congratulated the students involved on raising over 4000.

**NZ Playhouse** will be performing 'Rumpelstiltskin' on Wednesday to all students. Cost is \$5 per child (If you have an activity account the money will be deducted from it, otherwise please send \$5 to school or deposit direct into the school account).



**School Photos** will be taken next Tuesday. Booking cards for sibling photos were sent home yesterday. You must complete one of these if you want a sibling photo taken (return to the school office). If you want a photo with siblings not at the school, the photographers will be taking photos between 8.30-9am, in the library.



**Staff Role Changes** - Whaea Wairere begins her Assistant Principal and Māori Immersion Strand Leader roles this week, as well as starting her new role as the Year 5 – 8 Kaiako in Kaikōmako class.

Replacing Sacha while she is on a 6 month Science Leadership programme is Tom Wild teaching in Kererū for 3 days, Monday to Wednesday and Christine Dowell teaching in Kererū on Thursday and Friday. (Matua Tom will still be delivering te reo Pakeha to Kaikōmako on Thursdays.) Johanne Wicks, (Totara/Year 5–8 Syndicate leader) will now coordinate sports in place of Sacha.

Rebecca McKenzie-Pollock has been working at Otari School both as a teacher aide and teacher. Rebecca's teaching hours have been increased to provide further support in Kererū on Wednesday and Thursday.

**Tūmanakō Peace Art** - Any parents of children who have contributed to the Peace Art Exhibition and who are planning to attend the exhibition opening night on 11 August, please ensure you register before 29 July (Thursday) thus ensuring a free T shirt for your child (provide sizing as well).



**Code Club:** Code Club returns next week for any students year 4 and above (all strands). Code Club happens on Monday afternoons between 3:10pm and 4:10pm in Kererū. Code club is run by Matua Morgan (parent), Whaea Johanne, Matua Tom and with assistance from other parent volunteers.

If you want your child to participate in Code Club please email [johanne@otari.school.nz](mailto:johanne@otari.school.nz) with the subject "Code Club" and your child's name, class and year level. Please do this whether they have been coming all year or just want to start this term so Johanne can get a good indicator of numbers.

**Staying Safe Online at School** - We are in the process of upgrading the way we keep our tamariki safe online by switching to the N4L reporting app. This tool allows us to see online browsing data over our school's Wi-Fi network, including attempts to access websites currently blocked by the school. We are not able to monitor access to websites by personal cellphones, however we do restrict access to cellphones. Each class has rules pertaining to the use of these. Children are not allowed to use cellphones without permission. There are three people with access to this data: Clifford, Jillian and Deanne (IT co-ordinator).



A huge thank you to all who participated in the 40 hour famine last term. This year we have raised more than ever before with an amazing total of **\$4396**, to help people in Sub-Saharan Africa. What an outstanding result; Hayley from World Vision came to our hui this morning to thank everyone personally! It was certainly a worthwhile experience and special thanks also goes out to our year 7/8 Student Volunteer Group who helped to promote 40 hour famine throughout the school. They did a fantastic job! **Tēnā koe i tō tautoko me tō manaaki - a tērā tau!**

The Māori Immersion Strand Whānau hui is on Tuesday 3 August starting with shared kai from 5pm, hui starting at 5.30pm. Agenda and previous minutes will be emailed to parents, but for any queries, contact Sonya Bishara or Erin Sykes-Hurley on [Otari.whenua@gmail.com](mailto:Otari.whenua@gmail.com).



**Technology** for Yr 7/8s is on for the next 4 Fridays. Bus departs at 8.40am.



**Taonga Horomata** - Over the next 5 weeks we are looking at the virtues that help children relate to their peers as they play and learn together. The focus virtues are:

Peacefulness – Rangimarie  
 Friendliness – Whaka hoahoa  
 Justice – Ūke te tika  
 Love – Aroha

Tolerance – Tuku Mārie  
 Honour – Honore  
 Compassion – Pā te Aroha



**Friendliness:**

“Waka eke noa” “A vehicle upon which everyone can embark”  
 (Friendliness in relation to whakatau/welcoming)

“A kind friend is the right kind of friend”

“Friends are like stars – you can’t always see them but you know they are there.”



Activity	Who's Involved	Date & Time	Cost
Road Patrol Training	Yr 5/6	Wed 28 Jul	
NZ Playhouse - Rumpelstiltskin	All Students	Wed 28 Jul	\$5.00
Immunisations	Yr 7	Fri 30 Jul	
School Photos	All Students	Tues 3 Aug	
Taki Rua production	All Students	Thurs 2 Sept, 1.30pm	

Ngā mihi  
 Clifford

**2021 Term Dates**  
 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)*



**Samuel Marsden Collegiate School – Girls Year 9 entry 2022. Open Morning:** Friday 13 August 2021, 8.45am-12pm. Register at [marsden.school.nz/register](https://marsden.school.nz/register). Personal tours are also available. **Scholarships:** Māori & Pasifika Scholarships for entry in 2022 close 6 August 2021. See details and apply online at [marsden.school.nz/about/scholarships/](https://marsden.school.nz/about/scholarships/). **Enrolments** for entry in 2022 are now due. 2022 classes are being planned and some year groups may be wait-listed. For questions, to organise a personal tour or day in class for your daughter please contact Enrolment Registrar Leigh McCathie on 476 8707. [marsden.school.nz](https://marsden.school.nz)

**Aikido for juniors.** Aikido is a martial art with a difference, its focus being on defence rather than attack: a non-violent, defensive art. Aikido is renowned for its benefits for self-control, co-ordination and posture, and like all martial arts promotes confidence and provides fun, fitness and friendship. We are seeking more juniors students: being very Covid cautious we stopped training during last year's restrictions, and are seeking to build up our lively classes again. We are a not-for-profit organisation teaching the art of aikido, based in Kaiwharawhara, in our 27th year. Classes Monday (Kids, around 6+ to 12 years) and Wednesday (Teens) 5:30pm during school terms, \$80 per term. City Dojo, 132 Hutt Rd, Kaiwharawhara, Wellington, directly above Animates pet shop. Turn up and give it a try - first 3 lessons free. And parents, we have beginner classes at 6:30pm for you too :-). Contact Conrad at [conrad@aikido.org.nz](mailto:conrad@aikido.org.nz) or 021 843 467, or visit [www.aikido.org.nz](http://www.aikido.org.nz).

**Mainly Music for pre-schoolers on Wednesdays** - Mainly Music is a fun interactive music session for pre-schoolers and their parents/caregivers to enjoy together on Wednesdays 9.30-10.45am at St Anne's Church Hall (cnr Northland & Randwick Rds). Includes morning tea and playtime. A lovely opportunity to build local connections. You are welcome to check it out. Contact Catherine McIntosh [northlandmainlymusic@gmail.com](mailto:northlandmainlymusic@gmail.com)

**GirlGuiding for girls 5-6 years.** Do you want your daughter to have fun trying new things, making new friends, learning leadership skills, having fun outdoors and much more? GirlGuiding NZ has spaces available in your local Pippin group. We meet on Wednesdays in Wadestown from 5:30 until 6:45pm. Email Inge at [inge.little.girlguiding@gmail.com](mailto:inge.little.girlguiding@gmail.com) for more information.