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9 November 2021

Week 4, Term 4

Kia ora koutou

Happy Birthday - Ra whanau ki a koe Manaia Duncan (Tuī), Robin Fouhy (Kākano), Maya Sarmiento-Seedhouse (Pōhutukawa), Grace Friend (Kaikōmako), Tokomaia Edwards (Kōwhai) and Tumoana Piriri (Kōwhai).



We hope you had, are having or will have - a wonderful day!



Athletic Sports has been postponed to Monday 22 or Tuesday 23 November, weather dependent.

Calendar Orders – Last chance to order calendars; the website closes on Monday 15th at 9.00am. If you need a code, email Jillian (office@otari.school.nz).



Wellington City Mission 'Pack the Bus' is visiting us on Tuesday 30 November to collect items. See end of newsletter.



Taonga Horomata – Cheerfulness Manamanahau. A very good virtue to apply as we deal with the stress this time of year brings.

“Keep your face always toward the sunshine and the shadows will fall behind you”. *Walt Whitman*



Activity	Who's Involved	Date & Time	Cost
Poroporoaki	Immersion Strand whānau	Thursday 25 November	
Yr 8 Immunisations	Yr 8s	Tuesday 30 November	
City Mission Pack the Bus	Everyone	Tuesday 30 November	
Yr 8 Outing	Yr 8s	Wednesday 8 December	
Yr 8 Dinner	Yr 8s	Thursday 9 December	
Yr 8 Farewell	Yr 7/8s & whānau of Yr 8s	Monday 13 December	

Have a great week everyone.

Ngā mihi
Clifford

2021 Term Dates

Term 4: Ends on 15 Dec, **12 noon**

2022 Term Dates

Term 1	Term 2	Public Holidays
Tues 1 Feb	Thurs 14 Apr - TOD	Waitangi Day: Mon 7 Feb
Mon 2 May	Fri 8 Jul	Queen's Birthday: Mon 6 June Matariki: Fri 24 June
Mon 25 Jul	Fri 30 Sept	
Mon 17 Oct	Wed 14 Dec	Labour Weekend: Mon 24 Oct

Teacher Only Days: 14 Apr, Fri 3 June, Fri 19 August

PACK THE BUS

- Each year since 1992 Pack The Bus has helped tens of thousands of Wellington families by collecting non-perishable food items, games, toys, toiletries, retail vouchers and so much more through our community. Any donation is amazing and always greatly appreciated. We've also included some examples below of the types of items the Wellington City Mission need extra help with this year:

Essential Items:

Spreads and Muesli bars, Weetbix, Oats & Muesli, Sugar and Milk Powder, Pasta Sauce, Tinned Soup/fish/meat, Biscuits and Crackers, Body Wash and Deodorant, Baby Food, Wipes and Nappies, Laundry Powder and Dishwashing Liquid.

Christmas Items:

Small Christmas Cakes, Fancy biscuits/crackers, Fancy relishes/sauces, Salts/roasted nuts, Chippies Toiletries for the whole family, Retail vouchers.

Toys: (new toys only please - and unwrapped)

Construction Toys - Lego/Meccano, Art equipment, Educational toys and books, Puzzles, Baby toys for 0-2yr olds, Diaries/Calendars, Board games

Upcoming
**COMMUNITY
EVENTS**

Montessori Preschool warmly invite interested families to our Open Day on Saturday 13 November, 10am–12noon, at the Preschool (166 Wilton Road). If you know of anybody else who may be interested in our Playgroup and/or Preschool and would find the Open Day of interest,

please let them know about this opportunity. We currently (and very rarely) have a few spaces available for a start in the New Year. For more information phone 475 9688 or email wcmp@xtra.co.nz.

Onslow Gymnastic Club - Kids got energy to burn? Gymnastics is the answer! Have Fun – Learn Skills – Build Confidence! Onslow Gymnastics has Recreational, TeamGym and Competitive classes for girls ages 5+ years. Recreational Gym-for-All classes are held at Khandallah School Hall (ages 5-9 years) and Onslow College Rec Centre (ages 7-14+). No previous experience is required to join any of our recreational classes. TeamGym (ages 10+) brings together tumbling, mini-tramp and dance to provide an energetic and creative performance. Register at www.onslowgymnastics.org.nz or email onslowgym@xtra.co.nz.

Office administrator/Resource Producer

Advertised: 8.11.21, for two weeks

Blind and Low Vision Education Network NZ (BLENNZ), Kelburn

We're looking for someone to join our team start of Term 1 2022. This role supports our team of Resource Teachers Vision in our Wellington Resource Centre. We are a school of itinerant teachers, so this is for term time only, Monday to Friday, up to 40 hours per week. You'll need to be fully vaccinated as we're a school, preferably have your driver's licence, and this job is subject to a Police Vet.

You'll receive full training, and work within a supportive, positive and wonderful team of people.

If you're interested please contact Leigh, the Manager, for a job description and more info.

Leigh Fraser 021575271 leigh.fraser@blennz.school.nz



Webinar



- Title:** Trauma – what is it and what can we do about it?
- Audience:** Parents and Caregivers
- Date:** Friday 19th November via Zoom link
- Time:** 10 a.m. – 10.45 a.m.
- Cost:** Free to join please register via info@skylight.org.nz

Trauma may not be exactly what you think it is. By the end of the webinar this may become clearer.

Presenter: Skylight Contract Counsellor Roni

Roni is a Strategic Interventionist/Relationship Educator and works within a trauma-informed practice. Her expertise covers such topics as attachment, addiction, trauma, emotional intelligence, and raising emotionally healthy children in today's stressful society.

The webinar will cover:

- **What is Trauma?**
- **How do I know if I have trauma?**
- **Who can help me?**
- **How to regulate yourself**