



Te Kura o Otari  
Otari School

News

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

23 November 2021

Week 6, Term 4

## Kia ora koutou

Happy Birthday - Ra whanau ki a koe .... Florence Wall (Pōhutukawa), Joshua Hiscoke, Ella Hiscoke, Elliot Papion (Kākāriki) and Ātea Reedy (Tuī).



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



What a great day to hold school athletics; we had a great time! Thank you for all the parent support and a huge thank you to Whaea Johanne for all her organisation. The winning team was Green/Kākāriki.

**Congratulations to** Harriet Mak who has successfully auditioned for the New Zealand School of Dance Scholars' programme. This programme is a 'programme of excellence in classical ballet'. Well done, Harriet!



**Library** - Summer borrowing... is coming up in the library. All returning students (and those with younger siblings) are invited to take library books home for the whole holiday. Forms are out this week and are available from the office or the library.

We have new seating in the library. It creates space for more students in the library and provides another place to read and be.

**Wellington City Mission 'Pack the Bus'** is visiting us next Tuesday to collect items. See end of newsletter.



**Taonga Horomata – Tuwheratanga. Our virtue is Openness**

"To open deeply, as genuine spiritual life requires, we need tremendous courage and strength, a kid of warrior spirit."

*Jack Kornfield, A Path With heart*



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Activity	Who's Involved	Date & Time	Cost
Poroporoaki	Immersion Strand whānau	Thursday 25 November	
Yr 8 Dinner	Yr 8s	Monday 29 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 Farewell		Monday 13 December, 10am	

Have a great week everyone.

**2021 Term Dates**

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

Ngā mihi  
Clifford

**2022 Term Dates**

Term Start	Term End	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



**Pride Lands Fun Holiday Adventures - Summer Holidays At Western Suburbs (Wilton) & Southern Suburbs (Berhampore).** 20<sup>th</sup>-24<sup>th</sup> Dec 2021 and Jan 10<sup>th</sup> - Feb 4<sup>th</sup> 2022 from 7.00am-6pm daily. Interactive Activities and NO TV or Video Games, Kai Cubs Cooking, Keep Fit Karapu Fitness and Life Skills Programme

creating healthy Breakfast, Lunch and Afternoon Teas. One-on-one care and shuttle services available. Daily \$81.04/cub per session or \$137.77 for two siblings per session; Weekly: \$324.16 per cub/week or \$551.07 for two siblings/week. MSD Approved & WINZ subsidies are available for eligible families.

**Please contact us: 0800 PRIDE 4 U Or Register online: [www.PRIDELANDS.co.nz](http://www.PRIDELANDS.co.nz) or Visit our Facebook page: [www.Facebook.com/PrideLandsChildcare](http://www.Facebook.com/PrideLandsChildcare)**

**Next Chapter Parenting** offering Individual, or group, parent sessions via Zoom. Eight one hourly sessions, weekly at a time convenient to you, available evenings. Topics covered include Communication, Empathy, Setting Limits, QualityTime, Consequences, Choices, Redirection, Problem Behaviour, Praise vs Acknowledgement, Time In vs Time Out, The Pause, Erickson's Stages of Growth, Personality Types and how it affects your children. WINZ funding assistance where eligible. Website: [www.nextchapterparenting.co.nz](http://www.nextchapterparenting.co.nz)  
Contact: [brigid@nextchapterparenting.co.nz](mailto:brigid@nextchapterparenting.co.nz)

**Racketlon Holiday Programme** - Once again Tawa Tennis, Tawa Squash and Wellington North Badminton are running the Racketlon holiday programme these school holidays. Players rotate around each sport spending 1.5 hours at each club. Qualified coaches will take each session. Please note holiday programme is for age 6 years and older. Wednesday 26, Thursday 27 and Friday 28 January 2022, 9am - 3p. Cost per day: \$50 or sign up for three days \$13. Registrations: <https://bit.ly/2Z1JsJH>. For more information contact Babette at [babette@wnba.org.nz](mailto:babette@wnba.org.nz) or call 2324774.

**DON'T MISS THE BUS**

IT'S BROUGHT JOY TO FAMILIES IN NEED FOR 28 YEARS AND IT'S BACK FOR 2020

The Breeze want to visit you to collect food and gifts for deserving families in need! We'll be running collections from 29th November to the 3rd of December.

Simply email back with your preferred day and time so we can confirm a visit from Pack The Bus for your school or business.

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**THE BREEZE**

wellingtoncitymission

Wadestown Presbyterian Church

**Come Together Christmas Saturday 11 Dec**

10.30am Christmas Craft \$5 per person

12pm BYO picnic lunch

1pm Gift swap

12.30pm Drop off items for the swap

Enjoy a zero waste Christmas! Swap up to 5 items in good condition. Christmas shopping made easy & sustainable

118 Wadestown Road, in the hall

**Qisma Tech's STEM Holiday Programme**

Open to kids between the ages of 7-12 years old  
Years 3 - 8

When: Monday 17th January - Friday 28th January 2022 (weekdays only) 9 am to 3 pm

Price: \$80 per day or Purchase the whole 10 days and get one day free! \$720

Where: Hataitai School, 2 Arawa Road, Hataitai 6021

Learn more here: [www.qismatech.com/holiday-programme-1/](http://www.qismatech.com/holiday-programme-1/)

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