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Inspiring a love of learning through an education that values the development of the whole child 5 July 2022 Week 10, Term 2

Kia ora koutou

I am pleased to be back at school and grateful to Susan, Wairere, Jillian and the rest of the staff for their leadership, flexibility and adaptability! (Adaptability might be our number one 2022 virtue!)





Birthdays this week: Happy birthday to Abilio, Kahukura T, Rose, Sam H, Sylvie, Tamarangi, Te Wairereata and Theo. Rā whānau ki a koe! Celebrating birthdays during the holidays are: Hugh, Jireh, Judith, Nico, Pearl, Riva, Sam R, Samson and Wila.

Outstanding Achievement - Congratulations to Amokura Olsen who recently participated in the Western Zone Swimming Sports. She achieved 1st in butterfly, 1st in freestyle and 1st in the 50 metres. Ka mau te wehi, Amokura! We wish you further success at the interzone competition.



Reports

Reports - Getting the reports written, proofread and printed off in time for the last day of term has been more challenging this year than previous years for to a number of reasons, including the amount of staff illness. While most of them are completed, Jillian and I both proofread them before they are printed off, then they are put in envelopes and sent home. We hope to have them finished by Friday, however if you do not receive a hard copy of a report on Friday, you will be sent a digital copy in the first week of the holidays and a hard copy after the holidays.

Covid-19 - The school currently has 7 known cases of Covid-19 and there are 6 children isolating at home.





Ka rawe to all those who participated in the 40 hour famine over the weekend and thank you to all the whanau who supported them. If tamariki used a fundraising booklet please return these along with any cash donations to the office by this Friday. We will deposit these and add them to our online fundraising page along with the

koha collections from our Go Orange day last Friday. https://my.worldvision.org.nz/ss/Y9LVDs/otarischool. We will let you know our final total raised early next term once all donations are in. Kia ora rawa atu.

Board Elections – Information about becoming a Board member and a Nomination form have been emailed out.





Kapa Haka Uniforms – There is a number of kapa haka uniforms missing. Please return them to school as soon as possible.

Teacher Only Day Date Change - The scheduled 19 August Teacher Only Day is cancelled. The confirmed date is **Tuesday 25 October** (Day after Labour Day.)





Taonga horomata/Virtue: Contentment – Māoriori. Identifying the things we can be thankful for helps foster contentment. At Otari School we can be thankful for the surrounding bush, the attractive environment, caring teachers, friendly children, good governance and supportive parents. We can be content in this last week in the knowledge that despite flu and covid student and staff absences, programmes have

continued and learning has been enjoyed. I have visited junior classrooms this term and been heartened to witness the pleasure children take in their learning. I frequently walk around the school at break times and see children content in their play.

"When we cannot find contentment in ourselves, it is useless to seek it elsewhere"







Activity	Who's Involved	Date & Time	Cost
Trip to Wgtn Museum/Space Place	Kaikōmako	Wed 27 July	TBC
Trip to Wgtn Museum/Space Place	Tōtara/Kererū	Thurs 28 July	TBC
School Photos	All students	Tues 2 August	

Term 2 finishes this Friday at 2.55pm. See you all back here on Monday 25 July.

Kia pai tō hararei, koutou.

Ngā mihi Clifford

2022 Term Dates

Term 2: Mon 2 May – Fri 8 Jul
Term 3: Mon 25 Jul – Fri 30 Sept
Term 4: Mon 17 Oct – Wed 14 Dec
Teacher Only Days: Fri 3 June, Tues 25 Oct



Wellington College In-zone Year 9 students for 2023- In-zone enrolment applications for 2023 may be made at any time during the year prior to the start of school. We request that these be submitted on-line by Monday, 25 July 2022 to allow for curriculum planning and so that we can determine out of zone enrolment numbers.

Rhythmic Gymnastics - Is your daughter or son looking for something a little different to do in Term 3? Come along to a Rhythmic Gymnastics class and give it a try! Email info@rhythmicgym.nz to arrange a FREE trial. For more information about Elements and our classes, visit www.rhythmicgym.nz

CodeCamp allows kids from the ages of 7-12 to develop 21st century skills in a fun and action packed environment. Develop confidence & initiative through design, creativity, solving problems, presenting & collaboration. Create games, apps. Thorndon Primary, 11th - 14th July 18th - 22nd July Book Now at https://codecamp.co.nz

Wonderkind is a brand-new, magical theatre experience for young children. You can join fledgling friends, Tim and Em, as they set off on a journey leading to the ultimate discovery; that endless possibilities for wonder and joy lie in true friendship. Wonderkind is a theatre show featuring puppetry, live performance, a stunning scenographic design and a delightful original music score. This is a high-quality and visually striking piece of children's theatre at Circa Theatre during the July school holidays and is open to bookings from Early Childhood Education Centres during week one of Term Three.

Show Details:

Wonderkind runs 9th – 30th July at Circa Theatre, with shows at 11am and 1pm. Bookings through <u>Circa Theatre's website</u>. General Admission tickets - \$15 each, Family Pass for Four - \$50, Under 2's – Free School and ECE Groups - \$12 each.

Relaxed performances: Tuesday 12 July at 11am & Wednesday 20 July at 11am School and ECE Performances: 26 – 29 July at 11am and 1pm every day

What's happening at Ngā Manu Nature Reserve? Children's Art & Nature Day with Harriet Bright – 12 July 2022 10am – 3pm. This workshop is strictly limited to 15 students between the ages of 7-12 years of age. Children will need a packed lunch, drink and weather appropriate clothes including raincoat and gumboots. Price: Friends of Ngā Manu members \$55; Non-members \$60. Click here to book your place Golden Kiwi Egg Hunt – 9 – 24 July 2022 10am – 5pm

Find the locations of 8 Golden Kiwi Eggs hidden in the reserve and answer the questions to enter our weekly draw to win a Friends of Nga Manu Family Membership (valued at \$100 and valid for 12 months). Existing members will have an additional 12 months added to their membership.

We will also be running two eel talks every day during the school holidays; one at 11am, the other at 2pm. The talks are free, but if you want to feed the eels it will be \$2 per person. Tokens can be purchased at the Visitor Centre.

For more information about these events and others, check out our website.

"Beyond the Page is back! During the July school holidays, from 9-24 July, libraries across the Wellington region are hosting over a hundred awesome and totally FREE events for tamariki and their whānau. From bilingual puppetry performances and workshops, poetry events, nature walks and sculpture masterclasses through to VR experiences, LEGO® sessions, stop motion workshops and more, we're inviting you to explore the adventurous side of your library, beyond the page!

All events are free, but some require registration as space may be limited. Find out more, and view the entire calendar of events, at www.beyondthepage.nz."





CHILDREN'S ASTHMA STUDY

CAN YOU HELP?

We are looking for children with asthma to take part in a study comparing two different asthma inhalers

To take part in this study you must:

- ✓ Have been diagnosed with asthma by a doctor
- ✓ Be aged between 5 and 15 years
- ✓ Only use a reliever inhaler

For more information, contact:

- ✓ Email: care@mrinz.ac.nz
- ✓ Phone: 027 327 1191 / 04 805 0201
- ✓ Web: mrinz.ac.nz/currently-recruiting/care-study

What does it involve?

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1 year

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3 In person or Zoom visits + 2 phone calls

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Inhalers provided free of charge

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Asthma education

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Reimbursement for data expenses







