

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

9 August 2022

Week 3, Term 3

## Kia ora koutou

**Being Safe when picking up and dropping off** - If you drive to school to drop children off or pick them up, **PLEASE:**

- **Do not stop at the bus stop or yellow lines** - Drop your child off in the Otari car park, further up the road before reaching Otari School, or drive in and down the driveway and drop off at the bottom. It is unsafe to park up on the curb or in the bus stop.
- **Do not pull into the drive and stop near the front gate.** You hold up other traffic and make it unsafe for pedestrians trying to cross, especially as you try to back out.
- **Do not speed down or up the driveway!** There are children crossing at the top and other vehicles turning at the bottom.
- **Do not park your car in the turning bay, down the drive or in the disabled car park and leave it.** The turning bay is for drop off and quick pick up. If there are no car parks available then you might have to find an alternative space on the road.
- **Always watch for children crossing at the top of the drive**
- **Please consider turning left at the top of the drive when patrols are operating. (If you would normally turn right, consider going a longer way).**



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**Tūmunako - Ngā mihi Kahuti mō tō kauhau!** Thank you, Kahuti Hook, for representing Otari School at the opening of the Tūmunako art exhibition last Friday. Kahuti delivered a speech expressing the whakatauki of this year's celebration: "Kōtahi te kākano whakaaro, he nui ngā hua o te rākau houhou rongō." (*One seed of thought grows the forest of peace.*)

Tūmanako! (meaning Hope!) is an annual art exhibition for tamariki/children and taiohi/young people to create works of art to share their aspirations for a peaceful, inclusive and nuclear free world in remembrance of Hiroshima Day. At a time of unrest and divisiveness, Tumanako! enables tamariki and taiohi to learn about the root causes of violence and promote peace. Otari School children from each of the strands submitted art work for the exhibition. The exhibition is being held in Johnsonville Library, for two weeks from 11-22 August.

**Birthdays this week:** Happy birthday to Finn O. Rā whānau ki a koe!



**Covid-19 Update** - The school currently has 13 known cases of Covid-19 (7 in Pōhutukawa, 2 in Kākāriki, 1 in Kererū, 2 in Ngaio and 1 in Kōwhai). There are 4 children isolating at home.

Ka rawe to all those who participated in the 40 hour famine at the end of last term and a big thank you to all the whānau who supported them. We had a very dedicated group and it was great to see them taking on a challenge for this cause. Our final amount raised to help people have better access to clean water was **\$1637.80** which includes all of our online fundraising and cash donations collected. You can view our page here; it's not too late to make a donation if you would still like to: <https://my.worldvision.org.nz/ss/Y9LVDs/otari-school>. We look forward to more fundraising for the 40 hour famine next year! Kia ora rawa atu  
*Catherine Hope*



**Parent Election Results Declaration** – At the close of nominations, as the number of valid nominations was equal to the number of vacancies required to be filled, I hereby declare the following duly elected:

- Natasha Kuka
- Antony Dixon
- Catherine Wilson
- Chris Chainey
- Miriam Eagle
- Anischka Walmsley

*J Wilson, Returning Officer*



**Taonga Horomata/Virtue: Aroha / Love**

Mā te ngākau aroha koe e ārahi - Let a loving heart guide your decisions.



Activity	Who's Involved	Date & Time	Cost
Trip to Pataka	Tūi/Kowhai	Thurs 11 Aug	\$2.00
Trip to Wgtn Museum/Space Place	Kaikōmako/ Tōtara	Mon 15 Aug	\$12.50
WZ Netball	Selected Students	Tues 16 Aug pp 18 /8	
Trip to Wgtn Museum/Space Place	Kererū	Fri 19 Aug	\$12.50
Immunisations	Yr 8s	Mon 29 Aug	
WZ Hockey	Selected Students	Tues 6 Sept	
Lit Quiz	Selected Students	Tues 6 Sept	
Junior Sports – ASB Centre	Yr 1-4	Mon 12 Sept	TBC
Futsal – ASB Centre	Selected Yr 5-8 students	Thurs 15 Sept	
Senior Sports – ASB Centre	Yr -5-8 Students	Mon 19 Sept	TBC
St Brigid's Kapa Haka Festival	Immersion Strand	Sat 24 Sept	
Taki Rua performance	All Students	Mon 26 Sept	

Kia pai tō hararei, koutou.

Ngā mihi  
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**2022 Term Dates**  
 Term 3: Mon 25 Jul – Fri 30 Sept  
 Term 4: Mon 17 Oct – Wed 14 Dec  
**Teacher Only Day: Tues 25 Oct**



**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 Roads). Includes morning tea and playtime. A lovely opportunity to build local connections.

**Barefoot Sport** - We have a super awesome and unique running event coming up on 16 October called **run4reef**. It's one event, with one start time, run simultaneously across 22 cities in Aotearoa and Australia for climate change. There are 4 different distances to choose from on a 1km loop on Wellington Waterfront around Waitangi Park. There are 1km and 5km distances offered for youth ages. This event's cause is spoken for in its name: to raise awareness and funds for the Great Barrier Reef and WWF New Zealand. This is more than an event, it's about coming together as a community and running for our planet. We are reaching out to get as many people behind the cause as possible and especially our rangatahi whom climate change will affect the most. See the below newsletter for a super inspiring video, links and more.

Additionally, we have a number of other opportunities coming up such as the **Kāpiti Half** in November and our **XTERRA Wellington Festival** in February 2023. The **Kāpiti Half** offers two distances for youth, the kids kick it 2k and 5km. See below for more details. For our **XTERRA Wellington NeXTgen Festival** designed for 7 to 12 year olds. XTERRA is the world's leading offroad brand and our festival is the first on the world tour. With offroad triathlon, duathlon, mountain bike and trail running events it has the perfect experience for every adventurer. We are seeing a lot of traction for this with young people interested in exploring the outdoors. Here is direct link to the NeXTgen info - <https://raceroster.com/events/2023/62991/xterra-wellington-nextgen-festival-2023>

A vibrant blue poster with white clouds. At the top, the text 'CLOTHING AND TOY SALE!' is written in large, bold, purple letters. Below the text is a smiling yellow sun with rosy cheeks. At the bottom, there are three illustrations: a brown teddy bear, a stack of folded clothes in purple and green, and a colorful toy train with a red engine and blue and red cars.

**CLOTHING AND TOY SALE!**

**Saturday 10 September, 12pm-3pm**  
**Northland Community Preschool**  
**137 Mairangi Rd**



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**R1: Sun 4 Sept Waiu Trail Park, Wainuiomata**

**R2: Sun 18 Sept Te Rangituhi, Porirua**

**R3: Sun 2 Oct Tunnel Gully, Upper Hutt *New Venue***

**R4: Sun 30 Oct Stratton St, Belmont**

**R5: Sun 13 Nov Makara Peak**

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