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A reminder that there is no school this Friday and Monday 5 June

Nau mai, haere mai ki te Kura o Otari

Cross Country and Fun Run - Well done to all the children who participated in the fun run or cross country last Friday. Congratulations to those who gained a place in their cross country race:

	1 st	2 nd	3 rd
Year 4 Boys	George Fullelove	Joe Muroya-Browne	Jordan Lee
Year 4 Girls	Tuia Reedy	Maeve Sorensen	Sylvie Little
Year 5 Boys	Edward Thompson	Oscar Coram	Angus Currie / Toby Forgan
Year 5 Girls	Hannah Warburton	Luci Mastreani	Korimako Dale-McLachlan Zoe Matthews- Borshevsky
Year 6 Boys	Tom Warburton	James Fullelove	MacLeod Ashton
Year 6 Girls	Lauren Luatua	Vita Lawson	Karis Ayling
Year 7 Boys	Anton Luatua	Sky Gobbi	Otis Cloutman
Year 7 Girls	Hannah Waite	Hazel Ford	Abigail Grant
Year 8 Boys	Conrad Sharp	Alexis Clatin	Hapo Agi Morizono
Year 8 Girls	Regina Fernandes	Alice Thompson	Joy Fleming

Teacher Only Day: Friday 2 June - This Friday, Wadestown School is joining us for Professional Development in Mathematics delivered by Charlotte Wilkinson. Charlotte is the author of a mathematics resource that all strands utilise at Otari School.

Charlotte is also an accredited facilitator specialising in building teacher confidence, subject knowledge and pedagogical practice in the teacher and learning of primary mathematics. The day will involve 3 sessions:

1. Mathematics Teaching and Learning Cycle covering planning, assessment and student agency;
2. A teacher knowledge workshop covering proportions and ratio from year 1-8, multiplicative thinking, fractional knowledge and proportional reasoning;
3. Resources for teachers and students and professional support.

Resignation - We are sad to be saying goodbye to Steve Devine this term. Steve has secured a position with Raroa Intermediate teaching technology and visual arts. As well as being our Classroom Release Teacher, Steve has excelled in teaching technology at our school, providing our students with creative experiences that were interesting, challenging and very engaging. He tutored the highly successful groups who participated in the EPro8 Challenge last year, with one of the groups winning the challenge. He also founded a school band. We were disappointed we did not have enough staffing this year for this work to continue. Matua Steve's work has been appreciated by all the strands. We are very happy he has found a position that will utilise his strengths so well and wish him all the best.

Sausage Sizzle/Bake Sale - Tomorrow there will be a sausage sizzle and bake sale, raising funds for the 40 Hour Famine. Send your children along with some gold coins for some yummy food.

Matariki - The Immersion strand will be hosting Matariki celebrations on **Tuesday 20 June, 5.30-7.30pm** in the school hall. This is a whole school event.

Matariki Performances - We are looking for anyone who may be interested in performing during this evening between 6-30-7.30pm. Please contact Jo (jofullelove@gmail.com) asap if you are keen and want to find out more.

Whānau Hui has been re-scheduled to Wednesday 7 June, 5.30pm.

Chocolate Fundraiser - Many thanks to everyone who is selling chocolate. If you have sold your box, please could you make payment; either cash, cheque or EFT-POS at the office or online banking to 060561-0017355-00. A box is \$72.00.

School Photos are on Wednesday 21 June. Information flyers will come home today. No payment is required until after the photos have been taken.

Guinea Pig Found - A local person phoned to say they had found a guinea pig in Pembroke Road this morning. Contact Jo on 475-8454 or 021-022-04147 if this little furry friend is missing from your house.

Te Taonga Horomata - Whakatau Tōtika. Virtue: Decisiveness

Decisiveness is firmness of mind in taking a stand or making a decision. It requires us to be both courageous and discerning. At times a choice appears and we must make it instantly, without hesitation, prompted by a deep knowing that it is right and timely. Decisiveness can also call us to hold a decision with patience, prayer and deep contemplation.

"Decisiveness is a characteristic of high-performing men and women. Almost any decision is better than no decision at all". Brian Tracy

Upcoming Events Calendar:

Activity	Who's Involved	Date & Time	Cost
No School	Everyone	Fri 2 June & Mon 5 June	
WZ Cross Country	Selected Students	Tues 13 June	
Matariki	Everyone	Tues 20 June, 5.30pm	
School Photos	All students	Wed 21 June	
WZ Hockey	Selected Students	Tues 27 June	

Ngā mihi nui
Clifford

Community Notices: (Please note: Notices are sent to us. They are not an endorsement)

3 bedroom house for rent in Wilton. Good sun, internal access garage, close to Otari and Wadestown schools. Contact Property Scouts, Dante, ph 0220987942, for viewing arrangements and further details. <https://www.trademe.co.nz/1325633011>

Experience Marsden Day for Year 8 girls - Samuel Marsden Collegiate School invites Year 8 girls to attend the Experience Marsden Day on 14 June. This is an opportunity to meet other students who may be entering Marsden in Year 9 in 2018, and to explore the campus and opportunities at the school. Please register [here](#).

Marrzipan Drama - Good news! It's not too late to join Marrzipan! Marrzipan is a revolutionary self-confidence programme aimed at bringing out the absolute best in students. We are looking for some awesome students to fill some parts in our play, which we will perform for parents and their peers at the end of term. Come along to a no-obligation trial lesson and see whether you like it! You can sign up for one directly via our website www.marrzipan.com (we have contact numbers on there too, should you prefer to talk to a human!)