

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

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Matariki 2017

Matariki is a time to acknowledge, commemorate and celebrate the year that has gone and the New Year to come. Matariki is a time to learn about your whānau and a time to remember those who have passed on from this world to the next. Matariki is a time for new beginnings, our Pacific New Year and a time for harvesting kai......so to celebrate, we invite you all to an evening concert celebration with kai, entertainment and whakawhanaungatanga on:

Tuesday 20th June, 5.30-7.30pm, Ōtari School Hall

Sausage Sizzle (gold coin donation) Star Hunt (Bring your own torch) Please bring a plate to share - kia kaitahi tātau!

Please contact *jofullelove@gmail.com* if you would like to perform on the evening. We are also looking for fairy lights to decorate the hall with if anyone would mind loaning them for the evening.

Nau mai, haere mai ki te Kura o Otari

Mid Year Reports - At the end of this term the children will be bringing home mid year reports. These will focus on literacy/te reo matatini, mathematics/pāngarau and progress in relation to the key competencies/Immersion graduate profile values. For most children reports will also contain a progress update in relation to The National Standards/Ngā Whanaketanga. Teachers are busy writing reports now.

Virtue: Initiative - Children at Otari School show initiative when they pursue a good idea. Currently student council members are organising two student led initiatives - a talent show and an end of term soccer tournament.

Initiative was the virtue that fostered our first student council. A student who had the idea for a student council also had the initiative to approach me and ask if we could have one. He then surveyed other students, graphed his results and presented the findings to me.

Quote: Students must have initiative; they should not be mere imitators. They must learn to think and act for themselves - and be free. **Cesar Chavez**

Matariki Food Collection – Once again we are collecting tinned food for the local food bank. Please donate what you can; there will be a box left in the school office.

Chocolate Fundraiser – Many thanks to everyone who is selling chocolate. 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 were sent home last week. Please ensure you send the flyer back if you wish to have a sibling photo taken.

College Open Days:

Wellington Girls College - Open morning to be held on Friday 16 June, 9am or 11am Wellington College - Open Days are: Saturday 24 June at 10.30am and Monday 26 June at 9.30am.

Onslow College - Thurs 15 June from 5pm; Principal speaking at 6.30pm

Queen Margaret College – Experience Year 9 is an opportunity for your daughter to spend a day at the college. Monday 19 June, 8.30-3pm. Call the college to book in.

Nga Tawa Diocesan School Information Evening - Wednesday 21 June, 6pm at Shona Moller Gallery, 22 Marine Parade, Paraparaumu Beach. For more info: ngatawaschool.nz/kapiti.

Te Taonga Horomata - Whakaaro Ake. Virtue: Initiative

Initiative is originality and creativity in action. When we have initiative, we boldly express new ideas, discover a new method, or find a different way to solve a problem. We lead our lives responsibly. We don't wait for others to remind us or pressure us into action.

Upcoming Events Calendar:

| Activity | Who's Involved | Date & Time | Cost |
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| 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)

Kelly Club July Holiday Programmes - Kelly Club offers full time Holiday Programmes during the July school holidays at the Wests Rugby Clubrooms in Wilton from 10th – 21st July 2017. Kelly Club Holiday Programmes focus on giving children aged between 5 and 13 the opportunity to do things they enjoy in a safe, supportive and encouraging environment. The programmes are packed with activities to entertain and inspire children. For full details and to enrol into our programmes visit www.kellyclub.co.nz email adminwgtn@kellysports.co.nz or call 04 972 7201

Football Morning Holiday Workshop (Yrs 1–6) Wests Rugby Clubrooms, Wilton (all weather indoor surface). Improve technique by working on the core skills of control, dribbling, passing, tackling & shooting. Great practice for the winter season! Week 1 - Tues, Wed & Thurs 9.30am-12.30pm, Week 2 – Tues, Weds, Thurs 9.30am-12.30pm

"Girls Only Football" – Week 1 Fri 14th July 9.30am-12.30pm

Netball Holiday Workshop (Yrs 1-6) Onslow College Gym – Johnsonville. Grow your child's confidence with our netball skills programme focusing on the key skills areas for their level of development. We use fun drills and games to develop and challenge young players

Week 1 – Weds, Thurs 1pm-4pm

Kelly Sports Term 3 - Kelly Sports will be back in Term 3 with their fun and exciting classes. Kelly Sports encourages children to have fun, build confidence and to give sport a go. We believe that sport and physical activity has so much to offer young people; it improves fitness, develops communication skills, team work and gives them a place to channel their energy.

Play Like a Sports Hero! (Yrs 1-4) – Wednesday lunchtimes 12.30 - 1.30pm. Come and try Football, Netball, Handball and Rippa Rugby. It's a great way to try new sports, learn new skills and improve ability. We use games & drills to teach game sense and team play. Learn the fundamental skills for all sports – throwing, running, jumping, striking, balance and many more – all while having a great time! Visit www.kellysports.co.nz email adminwgtn@kellysports.co.nz or call 04 972 7201

sunny and warm 4 bedroom house in House to Rent: Spacious, Wilton for rent. See http://www.trademe.co.nz/Browse/Listing.aspx?id=1344593307 for further information.

Kids Cross Country Series starts in June - The next event in the Brendan Foot Supersite Kids Cross Country Series is at Mt Victoria. It's a mini mountain run. Each event has 500+ kids, aged 4 to 13. There are three more events you can take part in. Sunday 25 June at Mt Victoria, Sunday 9 July in Tawa, Sunday 13 August in Petone. Come along, join the fun. Only \$8 to enter. Book at last one week prior to each event and you'll receive a printed race bib with your child's name on it. For more info or to enter go to athleticshub.co.nz or contactjo@athleticswellington.org.nz

Pride Lands Fun Holiday Adventures - July Holidays At Otari School And Berhampore School Dates: 10th – 21st July 2017 from 7.00am-7pm daily. Fees: Daily \$81/cub per session or \$148 for two or more siblings per session; Weekly: \$238 per cub/week or \$448 for two or more siblings/week. Discounts Available: Wild Card (15%). Interactive Activities and Morning Tea, Lunch and Afternoon Tea provided. One-on-One Care: Provide for cub(s) if needed for extra support. Shuttle services available. Please contact us: 0800 PRIDE 4 U Or Register online: www.pridelands.org.nz.

Newtown Movie School are again offering popular movie making and animation holiday programmes. Monday 10 to Wednesday 12 July. Stop Motion Animation - Popular 3 days of movie making creativity with Lego and colour paper. Thursday 13 July: iPad Movie Director- Turn your iPad into a serious movie making studio. Up your game from home movies - learn proper skills for recording great pictures and sound, then edit into a captivating movie. For more information go to www.newtownmovieschool.co.nz or contact Craig Lauridsen 021 966 277 or nms@acumen.net.nz. Not sure what to expect? - have a look at this creation from April: www.acumen.net.nz/pages/NMS26Years.html