

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

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## Kia ora koutou

**Reports** - On Friday the end of year reports are coming home. These reports provide a summary of your child's progress and achievement over the year, in particular the previous two terms. In each report is a chart that illustrates how curriculum levels relate to each year level. Most students have reached level 2 by year 4, level 3 by year 6 and level 4 by year 8. However, rates of learning can vary and some children take longer in some curriculum areas to reach a certain level. For example, there will be a few children in year 8 who have progressed to level 3 and a few who have progressed to early level 5.

**2020 Classes** - Classes next year vary in size and teacher support. The unique structure of our school means I do not have the ability to spread our student population over the classrooms as other schools do. What I can do is target the larger classes, or classes with more learning needs, with any extra staffing available. Staffing is a finite resource – the Ministry of Education only provide a certain amount each year. This year the Board of Trustees topped up staffing by .3, which costs them approximately \$18,000 and enables Reading Recovery to operate.

## Māori Immersion Strand

Ruma, Kaiako and roll	Kaimahi supporting learning programmes
<b>Kōwhai:</b> Lynette Franklin Yr 1 and 2 Roll: 17 (to start)	Cilla Noblett (Kaiako) - 20 days a term.
<b>Tūi:</b> Glenise Ward (Whaea Kui) 4 days. Cilla Noblett, 1 day. Yr 2,3,4 Roll: 27	Nicholle Craig (Kaiako) - extra 10 days a term on top of the 1 day per week, for classroom release time (CRT) and support.
<b>Kaikomako:</b> Api Nathan, 4 days. Nicholle Craig, 1 day (to allow leadership release). Yr 5,6,7,8 Roll: 27	Parekohai Wells (Kaiarahi i te reo) fulltime.  Katrina Murray (Kaiawhina) 20 hours per week.  <i>How additional personnel support programmes will be utilised will be communicated at a later date.</i>

## Montessori Strand

Room, Teacher and roll	Staff supporting learning programmes
<b>Pohutukawa:</b> Paula Crisp, 4 days per week. Catherine Hope, 1 day per week. Yr 1,2,3,4,5 Roll: 25	Catherine Hope (teacher) providing classroom release time (CRT) plus 1 extra day.  Shani Leda (teacher) working in the strand from 9:00-10:30am four days per week.
<b>Ngaio:</b> Deborah Sorensen, 4 days per week. Catherine Hope, 1 day per week. Yr 5,6,7,8 Roll: 25	Kanae Tsuji (Teaching Assistant) 25 hours per week  <i>How additional personnel support programmes will be utilised will be communicated at a later date.</i>

## Original Strand

Room, Teacher and roll	Staff supporting learning programmes
<b>Kākano:</b> Britta Martini until 12:30pm (then delivering Reading Recovery). Shani Leda 11 – 3pm, 4 days per week. Nicholle Craig, 11:30 – 3:00 (Fridays). <i>Yr 1 and 2 Roll:25 (expected to remain at this number for first half of year.)</i>	Britta and Shani will both be in Kākano during the middle block, (11 – 12:30) 4 days per week  Nichole will teach with Britta until 12:30pm on Fridays.  Christine Dowell 10 days per term, providing classroom release time.  Clifford Wicks will also provide 2 hours per week literacy support for priority learners.
<b>Kākāriki:</b> Susan West, 4 days per week. Christine Dowell, 1 day (to enable leadership release). <i>Yr 3 and 4 Roll: 26</i>	
<b>Kererū:</b> Sacha Fell - 4 days per week. Christine Dowell - 1 day per week. <i>Yr 5 and 6 Roll: 22</i>	
<b>Totara:</b> Johanne Wicks - full time. <i>Yr 7 and 8 Roll:19</i>	

## BOOK WEEK – We have a jam-packed week with the following authors visiting:

Today: Bianca Begovich; Wed: Ned Barraud; Thursday: Moira Wairama

Parents are welcome to attend. Please let your child's teacher know so we can set you a place. Visiting authors are likely to have recent books for sale.

## Friday - Dress up Day (Myths/Legends/Fairy Tales)

Also, in conjunction with Book Week the **Scholastic Book Fair** is here! This is running from: Thurs 3 - 4.30pm, Fri 3 - 6pm, next Mon 3 - 4.30pm and Tues 3 - 4.30pm. Come in at pick-up time and see what's available. 20% of sales goes back to the school. Parent help is needed to help run this event. Please email [johanne@otari.school.nz](mailto:johanne@otari.school.nz) if you can help for some of these times. Thanks, Johanne

**Whānau Hui** - Tuesday 14 November, 5pm - A reminder that the whānau hui is tonight; shared kai from 5pm, hui to start at 5.30pm.

**After School Care at Otari** - We have been advised that the Otari Afterschool Trust will no longer operate the after school programme in 2020. The Board of Otari School will hold a meeting in the school hall on Thursday 14 November at 5:30pm with all affected parents, whānau and kaimahi (workers) to discuss views on the preferred option for 2020 onwards. We encourage you to attend this hui if you will need after school care next year.

**Western Zone Athletics** - Well done to all the children who represented Otari School at the Western Zone Athletics last Friday. The following children have progressed to the Interzone Athletics:

James Fullelove: Long Lump

William Fullelove: Quoits

Harriet Mak: Quoits

JayKwan Te Paiho: Vortex, Discus and Shotput

Thomas Mayne: Discus

**Kapa Haka Festival** – Students from Tōtara and selected children from Kererū and Ngaio will be attending this event next Tuesday (19 November). A separate notice will be sent home shortly.

**Car Boot Sale - Cardinal McKeefry School, Saturday 23 November 10am-2pm** - We have booked a slot at the car boot sale so please get in contact with me at [jofullelove@gmail.com](mailto:jofullelove@gmail.com) if you would like to help out on the day.

## School Disco - Friday 29 November 6-8pm. Help Required!

The children are planning the next social event of the year and they need your help! **Can you help us?**

- \* Curry Makers (8-10)
- \* 4.00-5.30pm: Food Prep (3)
- \* 5.30-7.00pm: American Hotdogs, Drinks, Sweets, Candy Floss, Curry (10)
- \* 6.00-7.00pm: Dessert Table (2)
- \* 5.30-6.30pm: Ticket Sales (1)
- \* 8.00-8.30pm: Clean Up (6)
- \* 6.00-8.00pm: Parent Hub Sales (3)



**The Montessori classes will be set up for the parents to 'hang-out' and chat over coffee, yes, you can purchase real coffee, enjoy a curry or a sweet treat and take a look over some crafts and clothes for purchase!**

Email me: [jofullelove@gmail.com](mailto:jofullelove@gmail.com) and I'll pop you down on my list!

**Life Education** – Charlotte and Harold from the Life Education Trust will be visiting the school next week. All students will attend. The cost per child is \$5.00.




**Hats** - Children are required to wear hats with a brim throughout the Spring - Summer terms. Available from the office for \$12.00 each.

### **Te Taonga Horomata: Wehenga Kē. Virtue: Detachment**

*Detachment is experiencing your feelings without allowing your feelings to control you. It is choosing how you will act in a situation rather than just reacting.*

*Do not look back in anger, or forward in fear, but around in awareness. James Thurber*

	Activity	Who's Involved	Date & Time	Cost
	Book Week & Scholastic Book Fair	Everyone	11-15 Nov	
	Book Week Costume Day – Theme: Myths & Legends	All classes	Fri 15 Nov	
	Kapa Haka Festival		Tues 19 Nov	
	Life Education visit	All classes	20-29 Nov	\$5.00
	School Disco	Everyone	Fri 29 Nov	
	Wgtn City Mission Pack The Bus	Everyone	Wed 4 Dec, 10.30am	
	Helpers' Morning Tea		Thurs 5 Dec, 10.30am	
	Trip to Aotea Lagoon	Immersion classes	Fri 6 Dec	\$5.00
	Yr 8 Outing	Yr 8s	Wed 11 Dec	
	Immunisations	Selected students	Fri 13 Dec	
	Yr 8 Farewell	Yr 7/8s & whānau	Fri 13 Dec	
	Yr 8 dinner	Yr 8s	Tues 17 Dec	TBC
	Carol Singing	All classes / whānau	Wed 18 Dec 11-12am	
	End of term		Fri 20 Dec	

Have a great week everyone.

Ngā mihi nui Clifford



**The Christmas Collective market** is back for a 3rd year on Thursday 21 November, 6.39-9.30pm at St Mary's on Fancourt Street. Join us for a night of Christmas Shopping. Great food, music and a carefully curated selection of local small businesses making for a festive night out. We will be supporting Bellyful and the Karori Toy Library this year.

**Zumba® Fitness moves back to Wilton!** Would you like to try out a Zumba® Fitness class? Zumba classes are moving back to the Otari School Hall, with the first class starting on Wednesday 13 November. Come along and experience the benefits of Zumba® Fitness. Classes are suitable for beginners and all levels of fitness. Options will be given to suit your fitness needs. **WHEN:** Wednesday 7.15pm – 8.15pm, Friday 6.15pm – 7.15pm (No class on Friday 15 November) \$11 per class, \$7 students. **FIRST CLASS FREE.** 5 and 10 trip tickets available. Contact: Annick 021 462 042 or EMAIL [zumbawithannick@gmail.com](mailto:zumbawithannick@gmail.com) WEB [annickw.zumba.com](http://annickw.zumba.com).

**Hockey -** Do you think you might be keen to give hockey a go but want to find out more before committing? Karori Junior Hockey club is having a **Have-a-go event!** Offering the opportunity for children in years' 3-6 to try hockey in a supportive, fun environment with no commitment to the season. Two sessions available: Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> November at 4-5pm and Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> November at 2-3pm, both at Marsden School turf. \$10 per session (includes free mouth guard). All gear provided. For more information and to register, please contact: [convenor.kjhc@gmail.com](mailto:convenor.kjhc@gmail.com)

The popular biennial **Karori Lions Super Garden Trail** will take place on 23 & 24 November this year. Visit 12 lovely gardens in Karori, including Zealandia. Major beneficiary is the Wellington Free Ambulance. Full details at [www.supergardentrail.com](http://www.supergardentrail.com)

**Ngā Tukematanui - He Reo Ora rangatahi** event is on Friday 15 November, 6 - 8pm, Mākaro Room, Te Wharewaka o Pōneke. We need RSVP to the event ticketing: <https://www.facebook.com/events/439356226706208/>

**Healthy Steps is free, fun, and easy!** Looking for something to do over summer with your family? Thinking of entering Round the Bays 2020? We invite **you and your family** to join or start a Healthy Steps group in your local community and get active together with us this summer. We will give you the tools and resources you need to participate. Simply choose your exercise goal, share it with your whānau and friends, and step up for life. Together you and your community can support and encourage each other, achieve your exercise goal, and have fun along the way. To find out more, simply visit our website [www.healthyfutures.org.nz/healthysteps](http://www.healthyfutures.org.nz/healthysteps)

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## Life Education Visit

Please find enclosed \$5 for \_\_\_\_\_ to participate.

Please deduct \$5 from my account for \_\_\_\_\_ to participate.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_