



OTONGA PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Te Kura o Tihitōtonga

"To build sound foundations for our children's future"

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Newsletter 09

Term 1 Diary

13 April Friday LAST DAY OF TERM 1

Term Dates 2018

Term 1: Wed 7th February – Fri 13th April

Term 2: Mon 30th April – Fri 6th July

Term 3: Mon 23rd July – Fri 28th September

Term 4: Mon 15th October – TBA

GRAND PARENTS DAY

Congratulations to all of the Year 1 Team for a fantastic Grandparents event. The dances were fabulous. There was a terrific turnout of family. A big thank you to all of the seniors who helped with directing traffic and hall management. Thank you Year One teachers. A wonderful event.

Mrs Linda Woon, Principal

MAGAZINES FOR ROOM 17

Can we have any old Car, Aeroplane, Train, Truck or Hot Wheels magazines for Rm 17. If you have any spare at home could you send them into either Rm 17 or the school office. Thanks.

Mrs Donnene van Fulpen



MINIBALL

We are still looking for at least 1 middle school & 1 senior school registration for Miniball. If you have a child who is either in the middle school or senior school who may be interested in playing Miniball next term, please let us know.



Registrations can be made via Kindo, please see information below (page 2) regarding paying school fees online.

Mr Craig Walden, Otonga Sports Coordinator
cwalden@otonga.school.nz

ROTORUA MINI MARATHON

All year 2-8 children have been busy running each day to complete their 40km's on their passports. The last 2km's will be run on **Friday 4th May 2018** at the official course, starting at the Energy Events Centre. Children will be bused to the event and the first race starts at 10:00 am.

Please make sure you have paid your activity fee to cover the entry fee and cost of the bus – this can be done via Kindo, please see information below (page 2) regarding paying school fees online.

For course information click [here](#) or visit <https://www.sportbop.co.nz/downloads/Mini-Marathon-Course.pdf>

CEM COMPETITIONS

The University of Canterbury is delighted to offer the Great Kiwi English, Mathematics and Science competitions again this year. The online competitions will be run in the last 3 weeks of Term 2. The cost for a student to participate is \$8.50 per competition entered. Registrations & fees are due by **Friday 4th May 2018**.
Mrs Margot Nielsen, Deputy Principal

UPDATING SCHOOL RECORDS FORMS

These were sent home on **Friday 16th March 2018**. Please check your child's school bag if you did not receive one. Please check that the information is correct. If there are any changes please note them on the form and return it to the school office ASAP. Thank you.

OSSG/PTA NEWS

- The Otonga School Support Group (OSSG/PTA) AGM will take place at **7pm on Monday 9th April 2018** in the staff room (beside the office). Everyone is welcome to attend.
- The normal monthly PTA meeting will take place directly after the AGM.
- Monthly Mailer - Are you interested in the PTA but can't attend meetings? Would you like to hear about upcoming events and funding projects? Sign up for the monthly mailer to receive advance notice of future events, details of projects being awarded funding and a summary of our PTA meetings. Send your details (name, email address, child's name and room number) to ossq@otonga.school.nz or message our Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/OtongaSchoolPTA/> to be added to the monthly mailer list.



For each piece of waste collected,
we will raise money to donate to

Otonga Road Primary School



THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTRIBUTION!
The collected pouches will be recycled and upcycled into cool and useful new products.

For more information please visit:
www.terracycle.co.nz/fonterra-pouch

PITA PIT FRIDAY via LUNCHONLINE

There are only two more Pita Pit Friday's left this term. If you haven't already you can register and/or order at



www.lunchonline.co.nz. Remember you can order anytime during the week and up until 9am on the day of delivery.

NEW ADDITION Starting TERM 2:
St Andrews Bakery have joined lunchonline and will be delivering to Otonga on a MONDAY starting from 7th May 2018.
Pita Pit will continue to deliver on a FRIDAY each week starting from 4th May 2018.

YUM!

St Andrew's Bakery & Pita Pit deliver to Otonga School!

St Andrews on Mondays & Pita Pit on Fridays starting Term 2

It's simple; all you need to do is register at www.lunchonline.co.nz and follow 4 easy steps to get started

- 1 Register an account
- 2 Add member/s including your child's name, school and classroom
- 3 Make a payment so you have funds in your account before you order
- 4 Select your lunch and place an order



Phone 0800 LOL LOL
Phone 0800 565 565
info@lunchonline.co.nz

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We are raising money for our School and you can help. Order the NEW 2018 | 2019 Entertainment Book or Entertainment Digital Membership and you will receive hundreds of valuable offers for everything you love to do, and you will also be supporting our school, just visit <https://www.entertainmentbook.co.nz/orderbooks/15416j9> or click on the image below.



Waikato and Bay of Plenty

Including Hamilton, Tauranga, Taupo, Rotorua, Coromandel Peninsula and more...

PAY SCHOOL FEES ONLINE – ANYTIME 24/7

2018 Activity Fees & Outstanding EOTC Fees are now ready for payment through our online KINDO shop.

Please be aware that you can choose to part-pay your **ACTIVITY FEE** if you wish. Kindo is set-up to allow this.

* **NEW USERS** ...

If you do NOT have a Kindo account already (at this or another school), visit our [school website](#) and click on the 'Kindo – First Time Users Register Here' icon (as pictured) or [click here](#) or click on this link below to get started:



<https://shop.tgcl.co.nz/shop/handshake.shtml?shop=Otonga%20Road%20Primary%20School>

* **ALREADY HAVE A KINDO ACCOUNT** ...

If you have already registered with Kindo and want to pay your school fees, please visit our [school website](#) and click on the 'Kindo - Open 24/7 School Shop' icon with the 2 owls (as pictured) or [click here](#) or click on this link below:



https://shop.tgcl.co.nz/shop/user_home.shtml?session=alse&shop=Otonga%20Road%20Primary%20School.

Kindo now offers payment by **American Express, Mastercard, Visa or China UnionPay**, by **internet banking** or by **Account2Account** (managed internet banking). **POLi** is coming soon! Card payments cost 50c+2.5% (a slight increase on last year) but other methods remain free of charge. You are welcome to add funds to your account regularly or in advance, or just pay as you go.

Questions? Go to support.mykindo.co.nz or email hello@mykindo.co.nz or call the Kindo helpdesk on freephone 0508 4 KINDO (0508 454 636).

SCHOOL APP

Our handy, user friendly school app is available to download for FREE to your android or iPhone at <http://onelink.to/gg92jk>. You can send absentee notes via the app, receive alerts, view our newsletters, check term dates & events, contact our staff, and view our classroom blogs & favourite links.



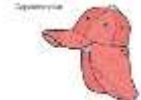
SCHOOL BANKING

First Credit Union provides a school banking service to all pupils at Otonga. Getting started is easy - just pick up an application pack from the school office, fill in the application form and return it to the **GREEN** banking box in the school office. Collections are every Thursday & returns on Friday weekly.



SUN SAFE

Term 1 is summer, so we ask all children to wear a broad-brimmed hat. Please name it, or children who lose their hat will just "borrow" any un-named hat they find, in order to avoid having to play under the soccer field trees.





Community Events, Notices & Services

Swimming Opportunities

Is your child confident in the deep pool at the Aquatic Centre? Can they swim freestyle, backstroke and breaststroke? Do you want them to improve their technique and fitness in a fun environment? Our coaches can help your student achieve what they want with their swimming whether for safety, waterpolo, triathlons or to represent NZ. Check us out at SwimmingRotorua or visit <https://swimmingrotorua.co.nz/>

From New Entrant to Year 11, NumberWorks'nWords after-school tuition brings out the best in Kiwi students by:

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0800 What's Up is a counselling helpline for 5 to 18 year olds. Our counsellors are available from 1pm to 11pm, 365 days a year, and it's free to call, including from a mobile phone.

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whatsup.co.nz

Parenting Helpline

we can help with your parenting concerns

get support, advice and practical strategies

Call 0800 568 856
9am - 11pm Monday to Sunday

www.parenthelp.org.nz

Parent Help

APRIL School Holiday Programmes

Please find below links to some of the April School Holiday Programmes available to you.

AMJAZZ Studios - Dance Workshop Fundraiser:

New York & Orlando travelling dance troupe dance workshops
Contact Sandra Blackledge - AMJAZZ Administrator
Ph 07-3458632 or Email: info@amjazz.co.nz

Adventure – Active Outdoor Educational Holiday Programmes:

www.edventure.co.nz

International Culinary Studio – Junior Chef Programme:

Visit <https://internationalculinarystudio.com/project/junior-chef/>

Lakes Performing Arts Studio:

Ph 0212568345 or Email: rebecca@lakesperformingarts.com
or visit www.lakesperformingartscompany.com

Mid-Island Gym Sports (MIGS):

Ph 349 3108 or Email: migsholidayprogramme@outlook.co.nz
or visit www.facebook.com/MIGSRotorua/

O'Neill Surf Academy New Zealand – Mt Maunganui:

Email surf@oneillsurfacademy.co.nz or visit www.oneillsurfacademy.co.nz/

Playtopia:

Ph 350 1341 or visit www.playtopia.co.nz

The Arts Village:

Visit www.artsvillage.org.nz/shp

The Rotorua Public Library:

Visit <http://www.rotorualibrary.govt.nz/what-we-offer/children/Pages/default.aspx>

Totara Springs:

Ph Jen (07) 888 4700 ext 217 or Email:

jen.burt@totarasprings.org.nz or visit www.totarasprings.org.nz

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Do you know a girl who would like to have fun and learn new skills as part of an up to date organisation in your local area?

If so, GirlGuiding NZ is here:

Pippins: 5 & 6 year olds
Brownies: 7 – 9 ½ years old
Guides: 9 – 12 ½ years old
Rangers: 12 – 17 years old



For further information please contact:
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