



# 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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## Term 2 Diary

- 6 June Ripper Rugby Tournament
- 11-15 June Book Week
- 11 June Book Week – Visiting Author  
OSSG Meeting – 7pm Staffroom (All Welcome)
- 12 June Central Cluster Inter-school Cross Country  
'Royal Jelly' Show for Junior & Middle teams  
Book Week – Middle School Competition closes
- 13 June Book Week – Super Duper! Show  
Book Week – Senior School Competition closes
- 14 June Book Week – Book Swap Day
- 15 June Book Week – Book Character Dress-up Parade
- 18 June School Assembly – Rm 9
- 20 June WIG Wednesday Fundraiser
- 22 June Matariki Day Middle School
- 26 June Science in a Van show  
BOT Meeting 7pm
- 28 June NZEI Paid Union Meeting
- 29 June Middle School Redwood's Trip
- 2 July School Assembly – Rm 22
- 2-4 July World of Maths
- 6 July Middle School Bug Tea Party  
Last Day of Term 2 – School finishes at 3pm

## Term Dates 2018

**Term 2: Mon 30<sup>th</sup> April – Fri 6<sup>th</sup> July**

Term 3: Mon 23<sup>rd</sup> July – Fri 28<sup>th</sup> September

Term 4: Mon 15<sup>th</sup> October – 20<sup>th</sup> December

## **DENTAL FORMS – REMINDER TO RETURN**

A reminder to parents to please return all **Blue Dental Forms** given out to children by the Mobile Dental Clinic. These can be left at the school office. Thanks



## **FREE TO A GOOD HOME**



We have a couple of boxes of the old keyboards & computer mice going free. These have the old style connection plugs (not USB). If you would like one or more please collect them from the school office.

## **HEALTH & SAFETY - MUMPS**

We have been advised that there are a number of children with suspected yet **unconfirmed** Mumps who are currently absent from school. Parents please be aware that children cannot return to school until they have completed their entire course of antibiotics.

## **ROOM 5 REQUEST**



Room 5 needs boxes for box modelling and any clear bottles (pump, fizzy etc - any sizes). These can be sent along to Rm 5. Thank You.  
*Mrs Angela Donlon*

## **URGENT REQUEST FROM THE ENVIRO TEAM**

The Enviro team are in URGENT need of pine cones. Please deliver to Room 5 or contact Mrs Donlon. Many thanks.  
*Mrs Angela Donlon*



## **JUNIOR CROSS COUNTRY**

Congratulations to all who participated in the Junior school cross country. Not only was it a beautiful afternoon weather wise, we also had a great parent turnout watching the event & supporting the children, everyone had lots of fun! Well done!



## **MIDDLE/SENIOR CROSS COUNTRY RESULTS**

Congratulations to the following students who have qualified for the Central Cluster Inter-School Cross Country which will be held on **Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> June** at Whakarewarewa School.

### Girls 8yrs

Ruby Cameron  
Bella Mayhew  
Lucy Tinson  
Charlise Colle  
Isla Osborne  
Ella Fokkens

### Girls 10yrs

Keely Schmidt  
Kate Hastings  
Leah O'Leary  
Nina ion  
Amy-Lee Vedder  
Sophie Flinn

### Boys 8yrs

Kingston Ryan  
Callum Temple Doig  
William Flinn  
Corbin Smith  
Ryder Neilson  
Wynston Sanford

### Boys 10yrs

Angus Crimp  
Alex Dault  
Desmond Mafileo  
Samuel Schulze  
Sam Wynyard  
Josh Hiscoke

### Girls 9yrs

Hanae Sudo  
Sophie Patterson  
Samantha Hutton  
Isabella Morey  
Erinn Seeley  
Amelia Tolentino

### Girls 11yrs

Hanwei Zhao  
Bella-Rose Sholl  
Courtney Bridge  
Neisha Shepherd

### Boys 9yrs

Maui Old  
Sam McFarlane  
Nico Reed  
Ben Petersen  
Alfie Booth  
Samuel Monk

### Boys 11yrs

Hamish Carr  
Justin Robertson  
Luke McEntee  
Joshua McEntee

## MIDDLE/SENIOR CROSS COUNTRY CONTINUED...



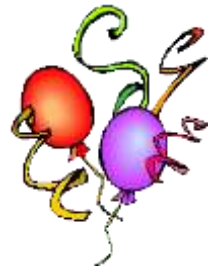
## OSSG/PTA NEWS

- **Monthly Meeting:**  
The next Otonga School Support Group monthly PTA meeting will take place on **Monday 11<sup>th</sup> June** at 7pm in the school staffroom – everyone is welcome.
- **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 [oss@otonga.school.nz](mailto:oss@otonga.school.nz) or message our Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/OtongaSchoolPTA/> to be added to the monthly mailer list.

## LIBRARY & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY CENTRE NEWS:

### **Book Week 11<sup>th</sup> - 15<sup>th</sup> June 2018**

This is a special week of celebrating books and reading. We have a variety of activities planned including an author visit, Performances, Book Swap, Book Character Dress-Up Parade, and competitions. The daily timetable is below with an explanation of how the Book Swap works. If you have any queries please give me a call.



### **Monday 11<sup>th</sup> June**

We have local Author, Tom Moffatt visiting the school.

### **Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> June**

Middle School competition 'Design & build a Spacecraft from recycled materials' closes today.

### **Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> June**

The 'Super Duper!' show by Perform Educational Musicals featuring the finalist books in the 2018 Storylines Notable Book Awards.

Senior School competition closes Wednesday 13th.

### **Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> June**

Book Swap Day bring the books you wish to exchange to the Library before school. You will be given a Token for each book and this can be exchanged for a pre-loved book at the lunchtime swap.

### **Friday 15<sup>th</sup> June**

Book Character Dress-Up Parade Day! Come dressed as your favourite Book Character. Parade starts at 9:15 am.

### **Scholastic Book Club Brochures:**

Offer 4 will be circulated to classrooms this week.

### **Orders close on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> June.**

**Order form:** Please complete the paper order form on the back page - remember to write in your Child's Name, Room Number and the Item No.

**Parents can order and pay at school (cash, cheque and EFTPOS accepted) but also have the option of ordering on line (the order will be delivered to school with the classroom order).**

**If paying by cheque:** Please make payable to "Otonga Primary School". Orders can be held for collection by parents, please mark 'HOLD' clearly on the order form and provide a contact number.

**Online Ordering:** All Classrooms are registered for Loop on-line ordering if you have any problems with the web page please phone Scholastic for assistance.

**Ordering a Gift?** To order a gift (please mark this clearly on the order form) and if ordering on-line, select 'Library gift for child' parents will be contacted when the gift arrives. Thank you.

*Mrs Pauline Atkinson, Library Manager*

## WIG WEDNESDAY

Our school will be taking part in the Wig Wednesday Fundraiser to show our support for Child Cancer. This will be on **Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> June**. Please bring a Gold coin donation to help fundraise for this worthy cause.



## NZEI PAID UNION MEETING

On **Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> June**, the teachers from this school will be attending a NZEI Te Riu Roa paid union meeting regarding the *Kua Tae Te Wā* - It's Time campaign. The campaign aims to free teachers to teach and principals to lead, by getting the additional support and staff that schools need. The meetings will allow our teachers to discuss how the Ministry of Education has responded to changes that the union is seeking.

Our teaching staff are members of NZEI and legally entitled to attend this meeting. The teachers will be leaving school on June 28<sup>th</sup> 2018, to attend their paid union meeting which starts 2pm.

**We strongly encourage parents to make arrangements to pick their child(ren) up from school by 1:30 on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> June. If you are unable to pick your child(ren) up then, please advise us so that your child(ren) can be supervised until 3 pm.**

I appreciate that this creates some inconvenience for families. However, I encourage you to support your teachers as they strive to achieve the changes which will safeguard quality education for all children and ensure we make teaching an attractive profession for graduates.

## LUNCHONLINE – SCHOOL LUNCHES

There are two school lunch days this term:

- **MONDAY = St Andrews Bakery**
- **FRIDAY = Pita Pit**



If you haven't done so already you can register and/or order at [www.lunchonline.co.nz](http://www.lunchonline.co.nz). Remember you can order anytime during the week and up until 9am on the day of delivery.

## PITA PIT TERM 2 CLASSROOM COMPETITION

Pita Pit is running an awesome competition this term!

The class that orders the most Pitas and Salads during Term 2 will win **EVERYONE** in their class a Pita Pit Prize Pack! The Pack includes a cool Pita Pit Tog Bag, a Kids Pita Voucher and a Sipper Bottle. Get in behind this great classroom competition and give your children something healthy and delicious to eat at the same time.



### Leader Board Update:

Another BIG day of orders last Friday, 98 in total. The leaders in the 'Term 2 Classroom Competition' so far this term are **Room 14** followed very closely by room 5, third equal are room's 19 & 20.

## ABSENCES & LATE ARRIVALS TO SCHOOL

Children need to be at school by 8:55am at the LATEST. Please advise daily absences to the office 3486443 by 9am each day. There is an answer phone available or email [otonga@otonga.school.nz](mailto:otonga@otonga.school.nz), or send a notice via our school app. All children who arrive late to school **MUST** report to the school office prior to going to their classroom. If no sufficient notification is given of an absence your child will be marked as truant.

## KINDO - PAY SCHOOL FEES ONLINE 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:



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## 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.



## ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS

The NEW 2018/2019 Entertainment Book, or the new Entertainment Digital Membership for your smartphone is a great gift idea as it is packed with thousands of up to 50% OFF and 2-for-1 offers for the best local restaurants, cafés, attractions, hotel accommodation, travel, and more!

To order online click on the image below or visit <https://www.entertainmentbook.co.nz/orderbooks/15416j9> We also have the printed book available at the school office for \$65. Buy from us today and you'll also be supporting our school. Hurry, they're selling fast!



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[www.terracycle.co.nz/fonterra-pouch](http://www.terracycle.co.nz/fonterra-pouch)

**HOMESTAYS NEEDED**

At Rotorua English Language Academy we need suitable homestays with one or more children and/or teenagers and/or another international student for students from French Polynesia (Tahiti) for 3-4 week stays starting in late June/early July. Please email [english@rela.co.nz](mailto:english@rela.co.nz) for an information pack.



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[whatsup.co.nz](http://whatsup.co.nz)

**We Want You!!!**

Madison Blues Marching teams are currently recruiting for the 2018/2019 season.

We are looking for Girls/Ladies aged:

- Madison Gems - 7yrs to 9yrs
- Madison Jn 12 - 8yrs to 22yrs
- Madison Seniors - 22yrs +
- Madison Mama's - 30yrs +

We are having a muster on Sunday, June 10.

Register your interest today by message on:

Facebook: @madisonbluesmarching or  
Email: [madisonbluesmarching@gmail.com](mailto:madisonbluesmarching@gmail.com)

Bring a buddy and receive a gift (gifts are limited so be quick, conditions apply)

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