



# 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

11 May	Yr 1 Museum Trip
15-17 May	Three-way Interviews
24 May	School Photos
25 May	Middle School Disco
29 May	School Cross Country
4 June	Queen's Birthday – SCHOOL CLOSED
6 June	Ripper Rugby Tournament
12 June	Central Interschool Cross Country
13 June	Book Week Show
15 June	Matariki Day
22 June	Middle School Redwood's Trip
2,3,4 July	World of Maths
6 July	Middle School Bug 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 – TBA

## **MINI MARATHON**

What a fabulous event! We had 474 students take part from Otonga. It was a huge effort and most enjoyable. Otonga students featured in the media coverage as well, so we feel jolly proud. To view the Daily Post article please [click here](#). Well done to all the kids who ran and walked and took part in the event. To view the Sport BOP photos taken of this event [click here](#).

*Mrs Linda Woon, Principal*



## **DROP OFF BAY**

Drivers are mostly using this facility correctly, but a few are getting out and leaving their vehicle which causes all kinds of hassles. When we approach the returning driver, it is often an Aunty or Grandparent and they don't know about the drop off bay. Please make sure that you warn any new family members who are picking up. Generally though, this is going well.

*Mrs Linda Woon, Principal*

## **LOST PROPERTY**

Would you believe that last week we had two down jackets, as well as MacPac & Kathmandu jackets and some gorgeous fleece-lined jackets all left lying around? I do a pretty solid job of collecting and putting it all into lost property so it doesn't get wet. But the thing that gets me is - no names on these expensive items! What's more amazing - those expensive jackets have a great label inside for writing the child's name on. You should see the lines of shoes and boots as well.

*Mrs Linda Woon, Principal*



## **RADIO COMPETITION WON BY ROOM 11**

Room 11 won a Pita Pit Lunch through More FM. Thank you to More FM and Pita Pit.



## THE CHIEFS VISIT OTONGA

Room 10 went all out to welcome some of the Chiefs players to Otonga School.



## WELCOME TO OUR NEW CARETAKER

We would like to welcome Mr Rodney Pemberton who started as our new Caretaker at the beginning of this term.



## THREE-WAY INTERVIEWS

These will be held over 3 nights this term – **Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> May, Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> May and Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> May**. For all of our children this is an important time for setting goals around their next steps for learning. This year Three-way interviews have gone from being 10 minutes to 15 minutes in length. It's very important for your child to attend the interview with you. Bookings for the Three-way interviews are now open and can be completed very simply online. **Just visit:**

[www.schoolinterviews.co.nz](http://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz) & enter the code **atw48**.

If you have more than one child at Otonga School you will need to leave a 15 minute break between appointments. School will finish at the usual time of 3pm on these days. If you do not have access to the internet you can phone or call into the office to book a time.

*Mrs Linda Woon, Principal*

## ENVIRO TEAM REQUEST

The Enviro team have been busy building their bug houses and to finish this project off they are in need of the following items: log rounds, bricks with holes, pine cones, river stones, spouting pipe offcuts, small terracotta pots, ponga logs. If you have any of these items at home and would like to donate them to the Enviro team please drop all donations off to Rm 5. Many thanks.

*Mrs Angela Donlon*



## OSSG/PTA NEWS

- **Monthly Meeting:**

The next Otonga School Support Group normal monthly PTA meeting will take place on **Monday 4<sup>th</sup> June 2018** 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 [ossq@otonga.school.nz](mailto:ossq@otonga.school.nz) or message our Facebook page

<https://www.facebook.com/OtongaSchoolPTA/> to be added to the monthly mailer list.

- **Middle School Disco:**

**Friday 25 May 6.00pm-7.15pm**

Entry \$2. Food will be for sale: chips 50 cents, small chocolate bars 50 cents, juice 50 cents, hot dogs \$3, glow sticks 50 cents or 3 for \$1. Free water will also be provided. Parents/Caregivers – Children can be collected from 7pm. All children must be collected by 7.30pm. No children will be permitted to leave unless accompanied by an adult. No food, drinks or glow sticks to be brought into the disco.

# MATHS PROBLEMS

Have rich maths discussions at home; solve these problems with your whānau.

*To enter: write your name, room number and your answer neatly on a piece of paper and put it in the box at the school office.*

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Which one does not belong?

## LIBRARY & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY CENTRE NEWS:

### Library Books:

Please check at home and in your school bags and return any library books issued prior to the school holidays - there are more than 200 overdue Library books issued to pupils!



### Reader Packs:

If your child was given a 'Reader Pack' for use in the school holidays please make sure these are returned to school promptly. Thank you.

### Scholastic Book Club Brochures:

Offer 3 has been circulated to classrooms. Orders close on **Wednesday 16th May 2018**.

**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. School orders close on **Wednesday 16th May 2018**.

Mrs Pauline Atkinson, Library Manager

## LUNCHONLINE

Each week this term you are able to order school lunches from Pita Pit and St Andrews Bakery. However they each will have a separate delivery day:

- **St Andrews Bakery lunches are delivered on MONDAY's**



- **Pita Pit lunches are delivered on FRIDAY's.**



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 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. Each week Pita Pit will update which classes are at the top of the 'Leader board'. Get in behind this great competition and give your children something healthy and delicious to eat at the same time. Remember to order each Friday before 9am.



## 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](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**. 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](http://support.mykindo.co.nz) or email [hello@mykindo.co.nz](mailto:hello@mykindo.co.nz) or call the Kindo helpdesk on freephone 0508 4 KINDO (0508 454 636).

## KINDO NEWS – DONATION RECEIPTS

- Kindo is now sending out the receipts you need to claim the tax back on your school donation. If you pay your donation now through Kindo, you will receive a PDF attachment to your normal Kindo emailed receipt - please print this and hold on to it for your tax return.
- Kindo will also be sending out receipts for those of you who have paid a School Donation via myKindo prior to now - please look out for this.
- Shortly you will also be able to access copies of these from your myKindo online account (on the 'my orders' page).

## GET YOUR ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS THROUGH OTONGA

Give Mum an Entertainment Membership this Mother's Day and she can enjoy more than 12 months of valuable dining, shopping and travel offers! Buy from us today and you'll also be supporting our cause. Hurry, they're selling fast! To order click on the image below or visit <https://www.entertainmentbook.co.nz/orderbooks/15416j9>



Give Mum the one gift she'll use all year



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

### 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.



### Community Events, Notices & Services

**Call Chris today for your free appraisal**

Looking to add value to the sale of your property?  
List with confidence, Sell with pride.



M: 027 366 0611  
E: [codonoghue@realtynk.co.nz](mailto:codonoghue@realtynk.co.nz)



### GEYSERLAND JUNIOR GOLF CLUB

We are back into the junior golf this week. After school Golf sessions  
 Tuesdays: Rotorua Golf Club 3:40-4:40pm  
 Thursdays: Springfield Golf Club 3:40-4:40pm  
 Fridays: Lakeview Golf Club 3:40-4:40pm  
 6 x 1hr sessions this term. Must be members of the GJGC to take part in these. Please contact Ant about these sessions: [infor@juniorgolfclub.co.nz](mailto:infor@juniorgolfclub.co.nz)  
**BUT FREE FREE FREE FREE FREE FREE**  
 If you are not ready for this try the FREE classes at Prodrive Driving Range every Sunday from 10-11am. This is located opposite the Energy Events Centre. Ideal as an intro to golf. See you at the course. Regards - Ant Barkley

**ILLUSION**  
DANCE STUDIO

- LYNMORE**  
Lynmore Primary School, Iles Road  
Monday 3:15pm-4:15pm
- ROTORUA CENTRAL**  
5 Te Ngae Road (Youth Centre)  
Tuesday 3:30pm-4:30pm
- Pongakawa**  
Pongakawa Hall (Next to Pongakawa School)  
Wednesday 3:15pm-4:15pm

**FIND US ON FACEBOOK**  
@IllusionDanceStudioNZ **TO REGISTER.**

### JPC OPEN NIGHT

Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> May – commencing at 4.30pm with tours of the Campus (until 5.30pm, followed by an information presentation in the Gym). If you, or someone you know is seeking a position at JPC in 2019, we are now accepting enrolments. Application forms and information are available on the college website [www.jpc.school.nz](http://www.jpc.school.nz). The deadline for application is 1<sup>st</sup> June and enrolment interviews for State schools will be held Mid-June. If you have any enquiries please email [sue.rowles@jpc.school.nz](mailto:sue.rowles@jpc.school.nz)

**Taekwondo (Term # 2)**  
Starts in Otonga School Friday 4<sup>th</sup> of May

**This is an excellent opportunity for all kids to develop self-confidence, awareness, flexibility, respect, self-defense and gain mental-physical abilities through an Olympic recognised martial arts ./. with 6 Dan black belt WTF master instructor (awaiting grand mastership status)**

**Location: Otonga School hall, Springfield, Rotorua**  
**Time: 5:30 pm > 6:20pm ...(> 7 Pm)**

**Enrolment / information:**  
**Email: [Taekwondo.Training.m@gmail.com](mailto:Taekwondo.Training.m@gmail.com)**  
**Text Only: 0210510091**