



OTONGA PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Te Kura o Tihīōtonga

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

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Term 3 Diary

18 Sept	Rotomaths
21 Sept	Gym Competition
25 Sept	Winter Field day
	BOT meeting
27 Sept	Market day
28 Sept	Last Day of Term 3 – School finishes at 3pm

Term Dates 2018

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

Term 4: Mon 15th October – 20th December

Term Dates 2019

Term 1: Wed 30th January – Fri 12th April
(Easter 19th – 21st April)

Term 2: Mon 29th April - Fri 5th July

Term 3: Mon 22nd July - Fri 27th September

Term 4: Mon 14th October - TBC

NEW ENTRANTS TERM 4 2018 & 2019:

If you have a child who is IN ZONE and turning 5 in Term 4 2018 and 2019 could you please let us know as soon as possible.

We need to know numbers well in advance of their start date in order to plan for staffing and resources etc. Please get their enrolment forms in as soon as possible. Enrolment packs are available at the school office.

CLASS PLACEMENTS FOR 2019

We have begun the process of class placements for 2019. If you have any information that we need to be aware of please contact Margot Nielsen our Deputy Principal **via email** at mnielsen@otonga.school.nz.

Write down your concerns for children to be together, or to be separated. If you have given us information in the past, that you no longer want to keep in place, do let us know. Information from past years may not be remembered so please reconfirm. **Verbal notifications can get forgotten in this busy process so please email these.** We are unable to take requests for specific teachers. This is your opportunity to consult with us. Apart from Year 6 leavers, do let us know if your children will **NOT** be returning for 2019 or if you know of any NEW enrolments for 2019.

The class placement of each child is done with care and consideration for a range of factors. There is always a balance, and once the final class balance is decided, it becomes very difficult to change. **Please let us know this term – there won't be changes next term.**

There is no such thing as just 1 shift for your child once the class is named.

MONEY MONEY MONEY

Every second year our children plan and run a market day. The funds raised go towards subsidizing the biannual senior school camp. At some stage, each student will benefit from this financial assistance for the expensive, but worthwhile, senior school camp.

There are 3 main components to the learning programme: what is money, how can we earn money, and budgeting. Each time we have run the programme there has been a different theme. This year the theme for learning is STEM (science/technology/electronic/math) where the students think about a need that people might have, plan a solution, design it, make it, refine it and then sell it.

Our children need to learn that to make money, sometimes you have to spend money and add value to an item before re-sale. You can provide a service to make money. You can re-cycle. You can make something that is new for the first time. Our special focus this time is to bring in a technology focus whereby children design and make something for sale.

On the market day, children are asked to budget to spend no more than \$10. The money they bring to spend we would like for them to earn at home doing EXTRA jobs. Children may already receive pocket money (enough for them to dream and still realise they need to do more), and they probably have regular chores at home as part of being a contributing family member. In order to get extra funds to spend, they will need to negotiate extra tasks for financial reward. This provides lessons in the value of labour and saving. Simply giving money to a child misses a valuable teaching moment.

Getting the balance right is not always easy, but our enterprise term is a good place to start teaching some valuable lessons about the value of money. Each year we revise the reflective suggestions from the last time we ran the market day, so we have gradual improvement. From the last one we learned that it is good to have an older Buddy with the juniors, and to hold the event before lunch. We are also asking that the children bring a used plastic bag as their shopping bag. Parents may attend- but only as photographers. Sorry, you cannot be a shopper or the mobile bank. :)

The Market Day will be on Thursday 27th September.
Linda Woon - Principal

WINTER SPORTS DAY

Apologies to all year 5/6 children and families for any confusion caused with the date error printed on the letter that went home last week.

Reminder: The winter sports day is on **Tuesday 25th September** not the 26th. Please be at school by **8:30am** on this day so that you don't miss the bus to your venue.

Please note: If we do not get enough parent helpers for the day we may have to cancel some of the sports.

JUNIOR KAPA HAKA

Kia ora koutou, last week our Junior Kapa Haka performed at our Whanau Hui. We are so proud of all of our tamariki. Thank you to all of our whanau for your support. Mauri ora.

Delanie Fisher and Tai Waititi



FLIPPA BALL – Term 4

Registration notices for term 4 Flippa Ball (Water Polo) went out last week. You can [view the notice here](#) or collect one from the school office. We encourage you to register & pay online through Kindo our preferred registration & payment method. The final day for registration is **Wednesday 26th September**. Games are played on Tuesdays between 3:30pm and 6:30pm. Flippa ball is for any Year 4, 5 or 6 child who is a competent swimmer and over 1.2m tall. The cost will be \$25. There is a limit of 7 players per team.

Mr Walden, Sports Coordinator



ROTORUA TOUCH TRIALS

If you play Touch Rugby for a school or club and wish to trial to play for Rotorua then you must register at <http://www.sporty.co.nz/rotoruatouch>.

The trials will be held at the Westbrook fields as follows:

1st Trial - Saturday 22nd September
9am - 10am (U10s)
10.30am - 11.30am (U12s)
12pm - 1pm (U14s)

2nd Trial - Thursday 27th September
3.45pm - 4.30pm (U10s)
4.45pm - 5.45pm (U12s)

HOCKEY EQUIPMENT DONATION

This year we will be collecting any old hockey sticks or shin guards that you may not need any longer. These will be used next season and beyond to help any players who may want to play hockey in the future. If you have any of this equipment, please take it to Mr Walden in Room 14.

Mr Walden, Sports Coordinator

SPORTS TOP DONATIONS

If you have any Otonga sports shirts (blue and white ones from Embroidme) that you no longer need, we will be taking any donations of these. These will be made available to other sports players.

Mr Walden, Sports Coordinator

REQUEST FOR MATERIALS

The Year 1 team are in need of the following items for their discovery time: Cardboard boxes, clean plastic bottles, clean yoghurt containers, ice cream containers, cardboard cylinders, newspaper and magazines. If you have any of these items to donate, please deliver to Mrs Donlon in Room 5.

LIBRARY AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY CENTRE NEWS:

Overdue Library Books:

Lists will be circulated to classrooms this week. If children do not return any overdue books they will be unable to borrow books to read during the School Holidays.

Book Launch at McLeod's Booksellers: Join award-winning Tom Moffatt (our local Author) for the book launch of his first collection of 'Bonkers Short Stories' to be held this Thursday evening 20th September at McLeods at 4:30pm. There will be story-telling, jokes, book signing and lots of **Mind Swapping Madness!**
Mrs Atkinson, Library Manager

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, receive alerts, view our newsletters, check term dates, contact our staff, and view our favourite links.



SCHOOL BANKING

First Credit Union provides a school banking service to all pupils at Otonga. To get started 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.

SCHOOL LUNCHES via LUNCHONLINE

There are two school lunch days this term:

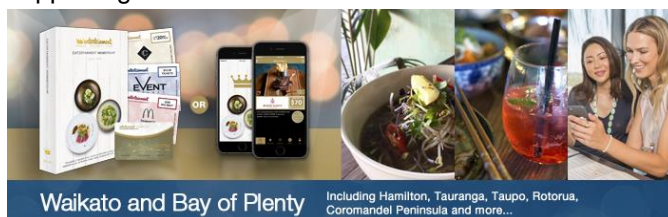
- **MONDAY = St Andrews Bakery**
- **FRIDAY = Pita Pit**



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

ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS

To order online just 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.



KINDO - PAY SCHOOL FEES ONLINE 24/7

* **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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Community Events, Notices & Services

SEPTEMBER School Holiday Programmes

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

Edventure – Active Outdoor Educational Holiday Programmes:

Book at www.edventure.co.nz or email mark@edventure.co.nz

International Culinary Studio – Junior Chef Programme:

Visit <https://www.internationalculinarystudio.com/junior-chef-programme/> or email tracy@internationalculinarystudio.com

Lakes Performing Arts Studio:

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

Mid-Island Gym Sports (MIGS):

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

Playtopia:

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

Safe Kids in Daily Supervision (Skids) – Rotokawa

Email: rotokawa@skids.co.nz or visit <http://www.skids.co.nz/locations/rotokawa/>

The Arts Village:

Visit www.artsvillage.org.nz/shp or Facebook www.facebook.com/RotoruaArtsVillage

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, email: jen.burt@totarasprings.org.nz or visit www.totarasprings.org.nz

Harmony in the Home

With Jessie Buttons - The NZ Super Nanny



Have you ever wondered what nature your child is?

Are they bubbly and interactive or are they assertive and determined? Is your child easy-going and comforting or are they more analytical and organised.

These are all traits of the four natures; Social, Strong, Sensitive and Structured.

Are you struggling with:

- How to respond to unwanted behaviours
- How to set boundaries
- When to introduce consequences
- What to do during tantrums, and much more...

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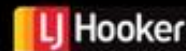
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Friday 21st September
6 PM - 8 PM
\$3 Per Person

Lales Performing Arts Company
1215 Hinemoa Street, Rotorua

SULPHUR CITY ATHLETICS CLUB

2018 Muster – Thursday 27th September
5:15pm to 6:15pm at Kawaha Point Primary School
Kids athletics will run for Term 4 Thursday 18th October to 13th December. A fun programme to build kids skills in various athletics disciplines. Ages 2 to 12 years old. Register on or before 27th September for just \$30. Registrations after this date will be \$40 and accepted until Sunday 14th October. For more information and registration forms email: sulphurcityathleticsclub@gmail.com

BAY OF PLENTY DOUBLE HEADER
VOLCANIX v TARANAKI 5:05PM STEAMERS v WAIKATO 7:35PM
FRIDAY 21 SEPTEMBER | ROTORUA INT STADIUM

TICKETS AT WWW.BOPRUGBY.CO.NZ