



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 2 Diary

20 June WIG Wednesday Fundraiser
22 June Matariki Day Middle School
26 June Science in a Van show – Covered by Activity Fees (Please ensure your activity fees are up-to-date so your child can attend)
BOT Meeting 7pm

28 June NZEI Paid Union Meeting – Your Help Please (Notice to be returned by Friday 22nd June – see notice below for more information)

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 30th April – Fri 6th July

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

Term 4: Mon 15th October – 20th December

WIG WEDNESDAY - TOMORROW

Tomorrow **Wednesday 20th June** our school will be taking part in the Wig Wednesday Fundraiser to show our support for Child Cancer. Come to school wearing a WIG and don't forget to please bring a Gold coin donation to help fundraise for this worthy cause.



NZEI PAID UNION MEETING

A notice has gone home with all children **TODAY** regarding the meeting on **Thursday 28th June**. Please **ensure you read this, indicate which option you will be taking and return it to school by Friday 22nd June**.

On **Thursday 28th June**, the teachers from this school will be attending a NZEI Te Riu Roa paid union meeting. Our teaching staff are members of NZEI and legally entitled to attend this meeting. The teachers will be leaving school on June 28th 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 1:30pm on Thursday 28th 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.

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



LIBRARY & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY CENTRE NEWS:

Book Week: Everyone had the opportunity to join in our Book Week competitions and events.

On Wednesday 13th June we had two shows by the very talented Perform Educational Musicals duo, both the Junior and General performance of 'Super Duper!' featured the 2018 Storylines Notable Books: *Granny McFlitter*, *the Champion Knitter* by Heather Haylock, *That's not the Monster we Ordered* by Richard Fairgay, *Awatea's Treasure* by Fraser Smith and also included was the New Zealand classic written by Margaret Mahy, *The Man whose Mother was a Pirate*. This was a brilliant production with very positive messages, for children aged 5 to 11 years, about everyone striving to be the best they can.

On Thursday 14th June we were over whelmed with excited children bringing books to exchange during the 'Book Swap Day'. A fabulous day with over 400 books exchanged during the Book Swap!

Friday 15th June we had a wonderful array of characters at the *Dress-Up as your Favourite Book Character Parade*, the quality of the Dress-Up costumes and diversity of ideas was amazing.

Junior School Awards:

1st Place - Tyrone Dercksen, Room 7

2nd Place - Mia Pistorius, Room 4

3rd Place - Tamati Rankin, Room 3

Middle School Awards:

1st Place - Billie Griffiths, Room 9

2nd Place - Rhys O'Connor, Room 11

3rd Place - Ryder Brake, Room 12

Senior School Awards:

1st Equal - Grace Tinson, Room 17,
Jamie Pistorius, Room 21
Beatrice Nairn, Room 18

2nd Equal - Isabella Carrington, Room 20
Camryn Adlam, Room 20

Special Award Certificates for Costume were presented to another 26 children.

Thank you everyone for your support during the week.
Mrs Pauline Atkinson, Library Manager



CROSS COUNTRY

Last Thursday we had 41 8-11 year olds take part in the Central Cluster Cross country at Whakarewarewa school. We had a great day and everyone persevered, congratulations to all. Five children; Kingston Ryan, Sam McFarlane, Hanae Sudo, Sophie Patterson and Maui Old have further qualified for the BOP Inter-School Cross Country Champs at Kaharoa School on **Tuesday 26th June**, good luck to them.

Mr Neil Carrington – Otonga Sport



THANK YOU

A huge thank you goes to Glenn Barry GRB Construction Ltd, Rotorua for their generous donation of our three viewing structures for our Bug Environment. They went over and above by constructing these and installing them for the Enviro Team, after asking them for some advice on materials etc. Totalling amazing support.
Mrs Angela Donlon



PHOTOLIFE SCHOOL PHOTOS

School photos were taken earlier this term. There is a long involved process that PhotoLife go through before they send us the shoot key codes to be distributed to families. It may not be until next term before we are given these. We will advise parents through the newsletter once these have gone home, so please keep watching this space.



OSSG/PTA NEWS

• **Quiz Night – Term 3:**

We're thinking it might be time we had a Quiz Night (adults only). Timing wise we are looking at a Saturday night around the middle of Term 3 but will depend on interest levels. If you are interested please either email us oss@otonga.school.nz or message us via our facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/OtongaSchoolPTA/>

• **Monthly Meeting:**

The next Otonga School Support Group monthly PTA meeting will take place on **Monday 23rd July** at 7pm in the school staffroom – everyone is welcome.

• **Monthly Mailer:**

Send your details (name, email address, child's name and room number) to oss@otonga.school.nz or message us on facebook to be added to the monthly mailer list. <https://www.facebook.com/OtongaSchoolPTA/>

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. 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:

There were 84 orders last Friday. The leaders in the 'Term 2 Classroom Competition' so far this term are **Room 5** followed by room 14, third is room 19.

KINDO - PAY SCHOOL FEES ONLINE 24/7

Term 1 & Term 2 Activity Fees and 2018 EOTC Fees are NOW OVERDUE and are able to be paid through our online KINDO shop.

* **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:



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

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

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, 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.

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/15416i9> 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!



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.



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

Otonga Road Primary School



THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTRIBUTION!
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COMMUNITY COURSES AVAILABLE

John Paul College are running two courses, both are Community events. All welcome!

What is Dyslexia and How I can help support Dyslexia?
25th July

6:30-8pm
Edmund Rice Centre
Gold Coin Donation

18th September
7-9pm
Edmund Rice Centre
Gold Coin Donation.

A National Speaker

Doctor Lucy Hone speaks on anxiety and building resilience. She helped support schools and families cope with the Christchurch earthquakes. She also had a personal tragedy that required a lot of resilience.

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 12yrs
- Madison Seniors - 12yrs +
- Madison Mamas - 30yrs +

We are having a muster on Sunday, June 10.

Register your interest today by message on:

- Facebook: @madisonbluesmarching or
- Email: madisonbluesmarching@gmail.com

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



Dunk For Harold
Sunday 24 June

10am - 12pm Rotorua Aquatic Centre.
(New Venue!)

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