



# 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 4 Diary

(Please refer weekly as dates may change)

25 Oct	Senior School Cricket
26 Oct	<b>House day</b> – Children to wear house colours for tabloid sports Tennis Champs
29 Oct	Year 1 Dog Safety Week
01 Nov	Senior School Cricket
02 Nov	Junior Disco 6 - 7pm
05 Nov	School Assembly – Rm 20 Years 3 & 4 Dog Safety Week OSSG Meeting 7pm Staffroom – All Welcome!
07 Nov	School Athletics
08 Nov	Athletics Finals Road Patrol Practical
09 Nov	Athletics Postponement Day
13 Nov	Inter-school Orienteering
15 Nov	Senior School Cricket Year 1 Pioneer Days Museum Trip
19 Nov	School Assembly – Rm 11
20 Nov	Central Athletics
27 Nov	Leaders Fun Day Ahurei – Middle & Senior Kapahaka
30 Nov	Community Craft Market 4-6pm
03 Nov	School Assembly – Rm's 5 & 6
07 Dec	SLC Day – School Closed for Student Lead Conferences ALL DAY Road Patrol Reward Day
10 Dec	Parent Portal Open Online for Pupil Data Reports
11 Dec	Rainbow Fairy Springs Visit - Rm's 5 & 7
12 Dec	Rainbow Fairy Springs Visit - Rm's 6 & 8
13 Dec	End of Year Achievement Assembly 1pm
14 Dec	Written Reports Home Senior School Movie Day
18 Dec	Leadership Assembly 11am
19 Dec	Meet the Teacher
20 Dec	Last Day - <b>School Finishes at 12noon</b>

## Term Dates 2018

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

## Term Dates 2019

Term 1: Wed 30<sup>th</sup> January – Fri 12<sup>th</sup> April  
(Easter 19<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup> April)  
Term 2: Mon 29<sup>th</sup> April - Fri 5<sup>th</sup> July  
Term 3: Mon 22<sup>rd</sup> July - Fri 27<sup>th</sup> September  
Term 4: Mon 14<sup>th</sup> October - TBC

## NEW ENTRANTS 2019:

**If you have a child who is IN ZONE and turning 5 in 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.**

## **BUILDING PROJECT UPDATE**

Rooms 1-4 will be able to move into their classrooms next week from Tuesday! There will still be paving and building work at the back of rooms 1-4 and in the special needs rooms.

Once that has finished work will begin for the canopies along the front of rooms 5-8. At that point decisions will be made about the best way to cope with the noise and disruption – we will have the Hall and Arts Centre available. The dental clinic refurbishment into an ESOL clinic should be completed by mid-November.

## **HALL & ARTS CENTRE REMEDIATION UPDATE**

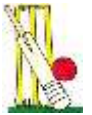
This is a different project being run by the Ministry of Education. We hope to start early next year and it is expected to take four months if there are now delays.

## **WANTED – TEMPORARY CARETAKER ASSISTANT**

We are looking for a temporary caretaker assistant for 10 hours a week, for this week and next week and then on-going as needed. The job includes gardening, mowing lawns and other odd jobs. The interested person will need to have a clean Police record. Please apply in person to Rod Pemberton, Otonga School Caretaker.

## **CRICKET - PLAYERS NEEDED**

We are still looking for 3 players to play Incrediball cricket this term on Thursdays. We also now need 1 more player to play Hardball on Saturday mornings. Email me at [cwalden@otonga.school.nz](mailto:cwalden@otonga.school.nz) if there are any interested players.



*Mr Walden, Sports Co-ordinator*

## **HOUSE DAY - Friday 26<sup>th</sup> October.**

Come dressed in your House Colours ready for outdoor activities and House Chanting.

Our house names & colours are as follows:

**Hau Raki (Green)**   **Hau Rawhiti (Yellow)**  
**Hau Tonga (Purple)**   **Hau a Uru (Orange)**

## **MIDDLE AND SENIOR SCHOOL ATHLETICS**

**Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> November 9am-2:30pm**

Sprint finals and class relays **Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> November 11am-12:30pm approx.**

## **LEGO CLUB DONATIONS**

We are starting a Lego club at Otonga and would love any donations of Lego that you may have at home. Any contributions would be greatly received. Please bring to Room 12. Thank you so much for your support.  
*Mrs Bollard*



## OSSG (Otonga School Support Group) NEWS:

### Attention All Junior School Parents - Help Needed

We need help to run the junior school disco on **Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> November**. Set up starts from 5:30pm, the disco runs from 6 - 7pm and clean up takes 20 minutes afterwards. A flyer went home last week, please return the slip to your child's teacher or send a message to the PTA Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/OtongaSchoolPTA/>

### Junior School Disco - Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> November 6-7pm

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 7:10pm. No children will be permitted to leave unless accompanied by an adult. No food, drinks or glow sticks to be brought into the disco. Remember to bring along your permission slip. No slip = no entry. Funds raised will go towards the Lego Club.

### Otonga Community Craft Market

The perfect chance to shop local, support crafters based in our community and maybe even pick up some Christmas gifts! The Otonga Community Craft Market takes place from 4.00pm - 6.00pm on Friday 30 November. Grab a bite to eat, browse the stalls and enjoy entertainment from Otonga Orchestra and Kapa Haka Group.

### **Stall Bookings are now open!**

Contact [ossg@otonga.school.nz](mailto:ossg@otonga.school.nz) to request a booking form or call into the office to collect one. See our FAQ section below.

### **Food Stalls**

We would like to include a range of food stalls at the market. If you are a professional food service provider (must have a valid food licence) and are interested in having a stall please contact Denise at [ossg@otonga.school.nz](mailto:ossg@otonga.school.nz) for more information.

### **Sponsorship Opportunities**

We are looking for local businesses to sponsor the following:

Sausages & Bread for the Sausage Sizzle  
Hot Dogs & Buns for the Hot Dog Stall  
Bottles of Water for the Water Stall  
Bags of Ice - to keep everything nice and cold.  
If you are interested in becoming a sponsor, please contact Denise at [ossg@otonga.school.nz](mailto:ossg@otonga.school.nz).

### **Stall Holders - FAQ**

- How much does it cost to have a stall? Adult Stall \$10, Child Stall \$5. Child stall must have an adult supervisor. Payment can be made **online** or in **cash** at the office.
- Can I sell home baking? Only child stalls are permitted to sell home baking.
- Can I bring my own table & gazebo? Yes, please do. A limited number of tables are available to hire for \$5.
- What time can I set up? Set up starts from 3:15pm. The market runs from 4pm - 6pm. Pack out must be completed by 6:30pm. All rubbish must be removed.
- Why do you want to know what I will be selling? We need to know what you plan to sell so that we can allocate the best location for your stall. Don't want two stalls selling exactly the same thing right beside each other!

Any other questions - please contact Denise on [ossg@otonga.school.nz](mailto:ossg@otonga.school.nz).

## LIBRARY AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY CENTRE NEWS:

### Reminder Scholastic Book Club Brochures:

Offer 7 closes on **Monday 29<sup>th</sup> October**

**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). Please make cheques payable to "Otonga Primary School".

**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.

**Overdue Library Books:** Children please return any books you have had on loan for more than 2 weeks, if you are still reading these they can be renewed at the Library Issue Desk. Thank you for your support.

*Mrs Pauline Atkinson, Library Manager*

### **WANTED – Plastic Bottle Tops**

Please send in all your plastic bottle tops - any colour to Rm 18 over the next few weeks as we will be using these for a project!!! Thank you in advance.

*Mrs Wendy Staunton*



### **WANTED – Various Items for Discovery Time**

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.

### **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](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 4 Holiday Package Draw:**

In Term 4 every child's Pita Pit lunch ordered through Lunchonline will receive one entry in the draw to win our Holiday Package Prize. There will be only be one winner so the more times you order lunch the more chances your child has of winning this awesome prize. The prize will consist of:

- A brand new child's bike to the value of \$500.
  - A VIP Package from Ogo Rotorua which includes 4 rides, an Ogo Tee Shirt and Photos valued at \$160.
  - A Family Share 10 Activity Pass from Velocity Valley valued at \$249.
  - Pita Pit Vouchers to the Value of \$100.
  - A Pita Pit Touch Rugby Ball
- There will only be one winner drawn from all schools and the draw will be done by Lunchonline. The draw closes on **Friday 14<sup>th</sup> December** - the winner will be contacted by Pita Pit.

### **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:  
[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).



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### **Community Events, Notices & Services**



Free health advice when you need it



# Healthline

## 0800 611 116

[www.healthline.govt.nz](http://www.healthline.govt.nz)

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# 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](http://www.parenthelp.org.nz)

## Children's fishing days

Catch Your First Rainbow Trout - learn how to fly fish!



This fun opportunity, run by the Rotorua Anglers Association, is available to children 6 to 14 years old at the Fish & Game Grounds in Paradise Valley Rd, Rotorua.

**2018 Fishing dates:**  
Sunday 12th August 2018  
Sunday 9th September 2018  
Sunday 7th October 2018  
Sunday 11th November 2018

### PRE BOOKING YOUR SPOT IS ESSENTIAL

Bookings, information and news at:  
<https://fishandgame.org.nz/eastern/>

All this for a suggested donation of only \$3.00 per child

We provide top quality specially designed fishing tackle, a plastic bag to take your catch home, safety glasses and a certificate to celebrate the anglers achievement.

Catch one of the 20 tagged trout in the pond and WIN a spin rod and reel set from KILWELL.

Ample parking is available on the grass area as you enter the grounds. You are welcome to further explore the grounds via the walkway.

Drinks and barbequed sausages are available to satisfy hungry anglers and parents.

Observe safety rules at all times and DO NOT leave children unattended

