

# NEWSLETTER TO PARENTS AND CAREGIVERS OF

## Otaika Valley School

### TERM 3

Friday 7<sup>th</sup> of September 2018  
Week 7 of 10



Have any of your contact details changed?

Please let Jen in the office know

Dear Parents & Caregivers, Tena Koutou Katoa.

Welcome to Shadith Henderson who has joined us in Room 1 this week.

### The bug got him...

Unfortunately Terry is curled up at home with a nasty bug (and not the “man-flu” he reckons!) so I will be your news reporter today :)

So, what’s been happening over the past week?

Well, I got a papercut on Tuesday afternoon but don’t worry, I’m okay and expect to have made a full recovery by Monday!



### Northland Cross Country Championships – Barge Park

Last week we had 25 students participate in the Interschool Cross Country Championships at Barge Park. Out of the 25 students, 7 have qualified to compete in the Northland Cross Country Champs on **Monday the 17th of September**. Well done and congratulations to:

- Isobelle Holehan - 10yr old girls
- Anika Clyde - 9yr old girls
- Cody Noble - 9yr old boys
- Cassara Legg & Stephanie Turton - 8yr old girls
- Mason Heta & Ricky Lewis - 8yr old boys

### Rippa Rugby

Soggy soggy fields! Due to wet fields and collaborating with other schools we are looking to book in for an alternative Rippa Rugby day soon. At the moment we haven’t received confirmation from the other schools regarding a suitable day, but we will send out the information as soon as we can.

Please Note: a permission slip will be coming home and must be returned to the class teacher ASAP.

## **A Message from our PTA Chairperson**

### **PTA Update:**

#### **Raffle**

*From the PTA group I would like to pass on our gratitude to all the families for supporting the Raffle which was drawn last Friday.*

*Thank you to local company Eitherway Freight, situated in Mangapai for sponsoring the 3rd Prize Meat Pack and CONGRATULATIONS to the winners.*

*The profit from the Raffle was \$1,930.00. This money will go directly towards the playground upgrade. As you all would have read in the last newsletter, the playground is in desperate need of both current repair and improvement.*

#### **Ag Day - 26th October**

*Is not too far away. If you are able to help out on the day or would like to know more please get in touch.*

*Nikole 021 0735335 Mel 021 470701*

#### **\$\$\$**

*The PTA group have been busily beavering away this year raising funds for our School and our Tamariki. We thought it would be good to share with you where these funds have gone.*

<i>Class Room contributions \$400 per class</i>	<i>\$2,800.00</i>
<i>Camp Rm's 6 &amp; 7</i>	<i>\$1,000.00</i>
<i>Camp Rm's 5 &amp; 4</i>	<i>\$1,000.00</i>
<i>Otaika Valley Hall contribution</i>	<i>\$ 400.00</i>
<i>Playground fund contribution</i>	<i><u>\$1,930.00</u></i>
	<i>\$7,130.00</i>

*We are planning another big fundraiser, at the beginning of December to increase the funding we have already raised for the playground.*

*The PTA set a \$10,000.00 target to be raised in two years to go towards the playground. This started in 2017, with the balance currently at \$8,086.00.*

*If you are thinking you would like to be a part of the group or are able to help out in any way, please come along and join us or get in touch.*

*Everyone is welcome! Next meeting dates are posted on the School FB page and we endeavour to get it into the newsletter the week before.*

*Thanks everyone,*

*Melanie Oakden, Chairperson PTG*

## **A Message from our Board Chair**

*We have had an external report conducted on our playground safety. This has been compiled and the results highlight that we have to take certain actions immediately. Brendon Oakden has volunteered to lead a subcommittee through the necessary steps. If you are able to work with Brendon on making our playground*

safer initially, such as raking bark, replacing some bolts, and removing some existing decks. Moving forward the Committee will be looking at how to plan for the removal and replacement of our playground. Please contact Brendon (027 465 9121) today if you can assist us with this.

Thanks,

Sheryl Clinch

### **A Message from me**

Could parents and caregivers please remind your child/ren to take all notices/forms out of their bags after school? The benefit for teachers is there will be no urgent follow-up phone calls to you regarding the notice/permission slip. The benefit for you is: a) the “Oh yikes, I didn’t know anything about that” scenario is eliminated, and b) the notice/form is still readable, without the bonus “I can’t read that notice because it’s got some sort of weird thing stuck to it and I’m afraid to touch it” scenario. (Trust me, I can definitely relate to that one!!)

Also, just a reminder to our students that:

1. All permission forms that comes from your child’s class teacher must be returned to the class teacher.
2. All PTA lunch orders are to be put in the LOB Box that sits on the reception desk, not to the class teacher.

And finally, what if I told you...potatoe? (Exactly, that’s what I thought too!) :)

Anyway, that’s enough from me. Hope you get better soon Terry!

Kind Regards,  
Jen on behalf of

Terry



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## **THIS & LAST WEEK'S RURU AWARDS**

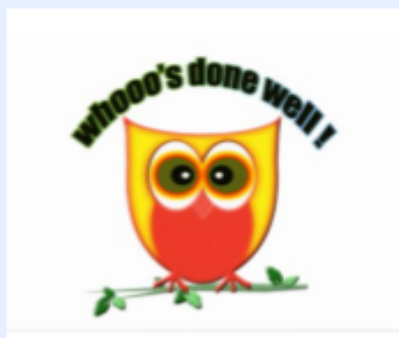
**JUNIOR**

**RECIPIENTS...**

**SENIOR**



**Isla Roberts - Rm 4**



**Dayton Simpkin - Rm 6**

# CLASS AWARDS

Rm 2: Marcus Houlker-Te Tai, Arlo Hurley, Tyler Macdonald, Isla Taylor

Rm 4: Pippa Clyde, Isla Crabtree, Naomi Grew, Casey Ogle

Rm 6: Cassara Legg, Ricky Lewis, Liam Oakden, Kianna Sullivan

## WHANGAREI INTERMEDIATE ENROLMENTS 2019

Enrolments for next year should be completed by **27 September**, particularly for those students seeking a place in a bilingual or mandarin classes as these may fill quickly.

WIS enrolments are now completed online. The access link and code are available via our website enrolments tab <http://www.wis.ac.nz/application.html>.

For parents/caregivers who were unable to make the Parent Information Evening or Open Days last month, please contact the WIS office to arrange a time for a guided tour. There are computer kiosks set up at reception so you can also complete the enrolment while visiting.

## **URGENT!**

**Looking for a house to rent!!**

**3 bedrooms**

**preferably close to school**

**Clean and tidy tenant**

**No pets**

**Anything considered!! Please let Jen in the office know if you can help.**

**Thankyou!!**



**SPEAK  
UP &  
SING  
OUT**

# SINGING & DRAMA

## Holiday Programme

Children ages 6-14 years

(ALL confidence/skill levels welcome)

FEATURING AWARD WINNING SINGER &  
TEACHER ALICE FRASER (NZ GOLD  
GUITAR WINNER) SARAH DAVIS DRAMA

- FUN & INTERACTIVE
- SINGING & DRAMA WORKSHOP
- LEARN SKILLS & TECHNIQUES IN THE CREATIVE ARTS
- FOSTER CONFIDENCE & LIFE SKILLS
- FABULOUS PLATFORM TO BUILD YOUR CHILD'S CONFIDENCE & SELF BELIEF
- CHILDREN CREATE THEIR OWN MINI-MUSICALS TO PERFORM ON THE LAST DAY

**\$150 for 3 days** (daily options available) \*

9AM - 3PM WEDNESDAY 3RD - FRIDAY 5TH OCTOBER  
BAPTIST CHURCH, COBHAM ROAD, KERIKERI

**\*SPACES LIMITED\***  
**REGISTER NOW!**

BE IN TO WIN YOUR CHILD'S WORKSHOP FREE WHEN YOU LIKE OUR FACEBOOK PAGE & SHARE & COMMENT ON OUR POST: [HTTPS://WWW.FACEBOOK.COM/SPEAKUPSINGOUTNZ/](https://www.facebook.com/speakupsingoutnz/)  
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