





Welcome

I would like to welcome the following children and their families to our wonderful school: Aiden An, Tredan Atutolu-Matthews, Tiara Hadfield, Emily Luo, Michie and Mia Guo, Michelle Ding and Emmalene Tuna, Samuel Estarija,

Upcoming events

| 6 April | Parent Teacher Interviews via Zoom. School finishes early at 12:30pm | | |
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| 7 April | Parent Teacher Interviews via Zoom – school finishes at the usual time of 2:50pm | | |
| 13 April | End of Term | | |
| 14 April | Teacher Only Day – School Closed | | |
| 2 May Term 2 Commences | | | |

Parent/Teacher Interviews

Parent Teacher Conferences are being held **online** on **Wednesday 6th April from 1:30 - 6:00 pm** and **Thursday 7th April from 3:20 - 6:00 pm**. If your child has been attending school, these conferences are an opportunity for your child to share their learning with you and for the teacher to talk about their progress. If your child has not been attending school it will be an opportunity for you to meet the teacher.

Conferences will be held via zoom and are 10 minutes long. Please phone the School Office (Ph 477 0033) if you have not booked a time.

Teachers will send you a zoom link prior to the day. Please make sure you are logged in at your allocated time

Hsin-Yi Yang and Hee Soo Kim will be available for translation. Should you wish for their support please contact them directly and they will book a time for you. For Mandarin translation please email - hsiny@oteha.school.nz. For Korean translation please email - heesook@oteha.school.nz.

楊老師和金老師將可以翻譯。如果您希望得到他們的幫助 ,請直接與他們聯繫,他們會為您預定時間。 普通話翻譯 請發送電子郵件至: hsiny@oteha.school.nz。 如需韓文 翻譯,請發送電子郵件至heesook@oteha.school.nz。

미시즈양과 미시즈김 선생님이 통역을 도와주실수 있습니다. 통역이 필요하신분은 직접 해당하는 선생님에게 연락하시어 부킹을 대신 할수 있도록 해 주시기 바랍니다. 만다린 통역은 hsiny@oteha.school.nz 한국어 통역은 heesook@oteha.school.nz 로 이메일 해주시기 바랍니다

Please note that **school will close at 12:30 pm on Wednesday 6th April** to allow for conferences to start.

After School Care at SKIDS will be available from 12:30 pm onwards in our school hall. You can make a booking for this by going to https://enrolmy.com/login. registering your parent

our website: www.oteha.school.nz

account and then enrolling your child(ren). Select 'Special Day' for the Booking Type.

Staff News

Unfortunately, we are farewelling Ms Sara Ingram who has been appointed to a Deputy Principal position at a new school opening in Milldale. Sara has been a classroom teacher, a Learning Leader and a Collaboration Leader and she has also led our school in digital technology and IT support. Ms Ingram has been at the school for three years and one term and will finish at the end of this term. This is a promotion for her and we wish her all the best in her new position.

I would like to welcome Miss Carrie Withers who has been appointed as the classroom teacher in Room 29 and will be replacing Ms Ingram. Miss Withers is an experienced classroom teacher who has been teaching in South Auckland for a number of years.

Welcome also to Miss Jeewan Cheema. Miss Cheema has been appointed classroom teacher for Room 30 while Mrs Kirstin Craggs goes on maternity leave. We wish Mrs Craggs and her husband all the best with their new addition to their family.

I am pleased to announce that Miss Rosie Muir will take over leadership of the Year 3 team, Manaakitanga. Congratulations to her. information about children's learning and progress, upcoming events, and activities. It will mean you will only receive information from us through Hero.

We are going to send out a lot more information for you, about when these changes will be happening, but in the meantime, make sure you are signed up for Hero, so when we move everything to there, you are ready to go.

Teacher Only Day

Term 1 finishes on **Wednesday the 13th of April** as we have a Teacher Only Day on Thursday 14th April and **school will be closed on Thursday 14th April**.

On 14th April teachers will be participating in an online webinar with teachers from Glamorgan School. The webinar is about effective teaching of Reading and will help teachers with planning and teaching effective reading lessons.

The webinar is going to be facilitated by two Literacy 'experts'- Sheena Cameron and Louise Dempsey.

SKIDS will be open and the steps are:

- 1. If not yet registered with Enrolmy sKids, please go to https://enrolmy.com/login.
- 2. To load a booking, go to https://enrolmy.com/skids-cheery-kids-limited and select the Activity/Session 14 Apr.

Hero

Hero is our Learning and Student Management System and you will all be familiar with it, as we have been using it for 4 years now. Hero has many features that we have not yet introduced to you, as we wanted to ensure we had all the foundation work completed and were using the basic functions well. We are now ready to start introducing you to more of the wonderful features of Hero.

Hero is going to be our "one stop shop" for parents and caregivers. We know it can be confusing and frustrating for you when we communicate with you in several different ways such as Seesaw, HERO, School Apps, Mailchimp, to name a few. Our plan is that by the end of 2022, all our communication for you will be done via Hero.

The reason for this is to ensure all parents and caregivers know where, when and how to find out

Scholastic Book Club

Thanks to everyone who supported school by ordering from the Scholastic Book Club. We received \$1,337.30 worth of rewards to spend on resources for our classrooms.

Medallion Drive Link

Last month the Medallion Drive Link was opened and some of our children made the first official crossing of the new bridge – ahead of the road opening to the public.

The new bridge, and 200 metre road, provides a more direct connection between Fairview Avenue and Oteha Valley Road, via Medallion Drive. This will improve safety for children getting to and from school.



It has been a long time coming as there hasn't been a safe way for our children to cross over Oteha Valley Road and it will be good to see more children walking, and riding bikes and scooters to school, now there are traffic lights to help them cross over the road safely."



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While we have had a bit of an unsettled start to Term 1 2022, we have finished on a high with numbers of children at school increasing weekly. All teachers worked very hard to ensure that children who attended school had the best possible start, and it has been lovely to see and hear all the amazing learning opportunities that have been happening all term.

COVID did impact our community, but we were not as badly affected by it as many other schools. In total we had 32 positive cases of children reported to us, and 3 cases of staff who tested positive. Here is a breakdown of year levels and genders, for your information:

| Year level | Gender | Total number of positive cases | | |
|---------------|-------------------|--------------------------------|--|--|
| level | B – boy; G – girl | positive cases | | |
| 1 | G | 2 | | |
| 2 | В | 1 | | |
| | G | 6 | | |
| 3 | В | 4 | | |
| | G | 5 | | |
| 4 | В | 3 | | |
| | G | 3 | | |
| 5 | В | 3 | | |
| | G | 1 | | |
| 6 | В | 1 | | |
| | G | 3 | | |
| STAFF | | 3 | | |
| | Total- | 35 | | |

I would like to thank **Unichem Pharmacy in Browns Bay**, who have come to school every Tuesday and administered RATs to all staff who wanted one. This has provided reassurance for us and helped keep everyone safe at school.

As we are still at Red in the CPF all current procedures will remain in place until the end of Term 1. We will communicate any changes for Term 2 after the next cabinet decision on 14th April.

Term 2 starts on Monday 2 May, and we want to welcome **all** children back to school for Term 2. It is essential that children attend school every day if they are not sick. We understand that all parents were concerned about the risk of children catching COVID, and some parents decided to keep children at home during Term 1.

The government and Health officials are telling us that Auckland has passed the peak of the Omicron outbreak and I want to encourage all of you to send your children back to school for Term 2. Children are legally required to attend school from the age of 6, unless they are unwell, or have a valid reason to be absent. You cannot choose to keep your child at home for any other reason.

Evidence and advice from experts working with children, is that returning to normal routines as soon as possible is one of the best ways of reducing and minimising anxiety. I am happy to talk with any of you if you still have concerns about sending your child back in Term 2. You can phone the school office 09 477 0033 to make a time to talk with me, or email me: rosen@oteha.school.nz

We have planned some exciting "Welcome Back to School" activities for the first week of Term 2. Each day there will be a different fun activity for children, as well as a daily prize draw, that all children who are at school on that day will be entered in. Thanks to Beaufort & Co Café in Oteha Valley Rd, who have very generously provided vouchers for the daily winners- but you need to be here to be in the draw!

We will let you know the details of each day's activity before the end of this term.

KiVa



We are a KiVa school

KiVa is an innovative antibullying programme which has been developed using cutting-edge research on bullying and experiences from earlier intervention programmes used around the world. We welcome this approach as a way to raise awareness of bullying and to respond in a way that changes the behaviour.

There are 3 key aspects of KiVa: Prevention

Teachers take specific lessons and students play online games focussed on prevention of bullying. Students, teachers, and parents are clear about what bullying is and what it is not.

Intervention

Intervention is used when a bullying case is identified. It is targeted specifically to the children who have been involved in bullying as perpetrators or victims, as well as to several classmates who are challenged to support the victim. The aim is to put an end to bullying.

Monitoring

Monitoring the effectiveness of the programme is a key aspect of KiVa. We will do surveys every year to

give feedback about the implementation of the programme as well as shifts in behaviour.

The programme was very successful last year and in a survey the results showed students had a better understanding of what bullying is and how to deal with it.

Further down is a Q&A chart about reporting bullying in schools.

BOT News

Kia ora from the OVS board, how fabulous has it been to be able to get the children to school this term! I know that those who have attended have thoroughly enjoyed re-engaging with their friends, teachers and classroom learning. We are so grateful for the adherence to the new protocols around mask wearing, hand hygiene, social distancing, bubble keeping and fresh air breaks. OVS has managed to keep cases within the school very low and well managed with minimal transmission within classes and amongst peers. Awesome work everyone!

We are aware of air purifiers on the market and have looked into these alongside the Ministry of Education for OVS. When the Ministry reviewed our classrooms and the potential for good, natural airflow (which we have been told is more effective than air purifiers), OVS has not currently met the criteria for an installation of these products. We are in continual contact with our property management supervisor at the Ministry and should any criteria around the installation of these products change we will be sure to have OVS eligibility status reviewed again. Our teachers are well aware of the importance of good, natural airflow in the current environment and will continue to ensure this is managed well in the coming seasons.

As a board and community we were deeply saddened and concerned around the collapse of the crane on site last month. We are continuing to be kept informed of the progress of this incident with formal investigations closing the site up until this point. Works will need to resume in the future and Ms Neal, with our support, will keep our community informed of this in a separate communication.

We are looking forward to next term immensely. There are exciting things planned by the staff to encourage our learners back on site to engage in



their learning, safely in a classroom environment. It has been amazing to have another full term back at school and we are already looking forward to term 2!

Enjoy the school holidays that are coming up.

Ngā mihi nui Georgina Dew – Board of Trustees Chairperson

To Help Us Plan Ahead

If you are intending on sending your preschooler to our school when they turn 5, please compete a preenrolment form and return it to the school office - (https://www.oteha.school.nz/application/files/4716/1160/6785/Pre-Enrolment_Form.pdf)

It is helpful if you can do this shortly after your child turns 4 so that we are able to plan for staffing and classroom space.

Please pass this message on to other in-zone families you know who have preschoolers.



I wish you all a happy Easter and a safe holiday break and I look forward to seeing everyone back for an action-packed Term 2 on Monday 2nd May.

Noho haumaru katoa-stay safe everyone



Rose Neal, Principal

KiVa FAQ

What is KiVa?

KiVa is a research-based tool to prevent and reduce bullying problems. Supporting Years 2-10, KiVa has been proven to make a difference and focuses on teaching our tamariki respect and acceptance of all students, their culture and identity.

What is bullying?

Bullying is defined as harmful, deliberate, and repeated behaviour, targeted towards a person who is perceived as less powerful. Bullying has many negative outcomes and some of these can be lifelong. We know that bullying occurs at all ages and across all areas of society, but often a child's first experience of this behaviour happens in school. According to the OECD, New Zealand is known as one of the worst countries in the world for reported cases of bullying. It is a serious problem for our tamariki, but we can work together to prevent bullying.

KiVa in schools

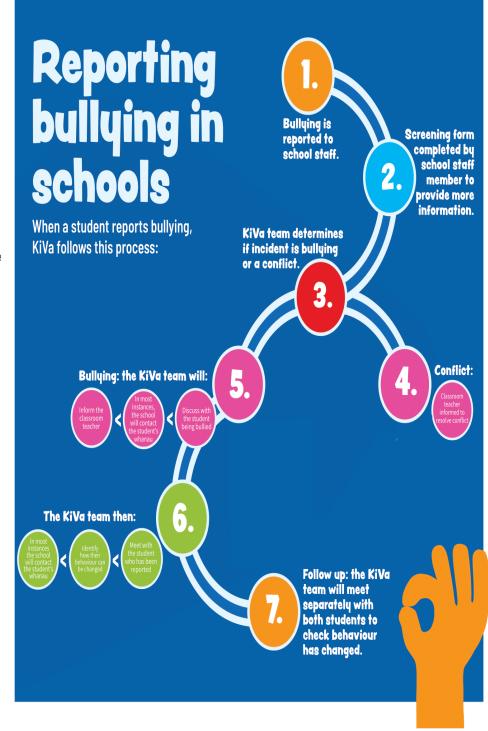
The KiVa programme consists of 10 lessons and activities conducted over the school year. The lessons incorporate discussions about bullying and respecting others. KiVa is a whole school approach and has three main aspects: **prevention**, **intervention and monitoring**. The goal of the work done at the classroom level is to educate students about their role in stopping bullying. Putting an end to bullying becomes possible when a shared sense of responsibility is developed and group norms are changed.

The benefits of KiVa

With KiVa's whole school approach, the benefits extend beyond the impacted students to the entire school and the wider community. Students feel more empowered with skills and confidence to address bulling behaviours and the programme promotes respect and a positive peer culture. In New Zealand, over 60 schools and kura currently use Kiva to address bullying behaviour and they have reported a 25% reduction in bullying within the first year alone.



Do you have more questions? Get in touch with one of our KiVa representatives today at kiva@vuw.ac.nz



Community Notices

The Nanette Cameron School of Interior Design in enrolling now for 3 May course start. Open to all levels of experience, attend one 2.5 hour class per week and learn the foundations of interior design. In-person and correspondence class options available.

Established in 1967 and renowned in the design industry, this comprehensive two-year foundation course has been empowering students for decades to create their own satisfying home environments.

To learn more and enrol visit nanettecameronschool.com

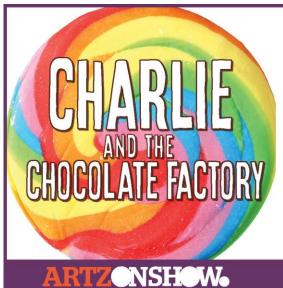
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Artz on Show School Holiday Performing Arts Workshop

This is a fun yet educational week for students aged 5 - 15 years.

Students participate in a range of performing arts classes, concluding the week with a performance!

26 - 29 April 2022, 9 am - 4 pm daily

Held at Belmont Intermediate School - 188 Lake Road, Takapuna *this is a 4 day Workshop due to Public Holidays

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APRIL HOLIDAYS

BAND JUNIOR (8-12 YRS)
BAND SENIOR (13-17 YRS)
SONGWRITING JUNIOR (8-12 YRS)
SONGWRITING SENIOR (13-17 YRS)

ENCANTO! MUSICAL THEATRE (7-14 YRS)

TUESDAY 19 & WEDNESDAY 20 APRIL, 9:30AM - 3PM

THURSDAY 21 - SATURDAY 23 APRIL, 9:30AM - 3PM

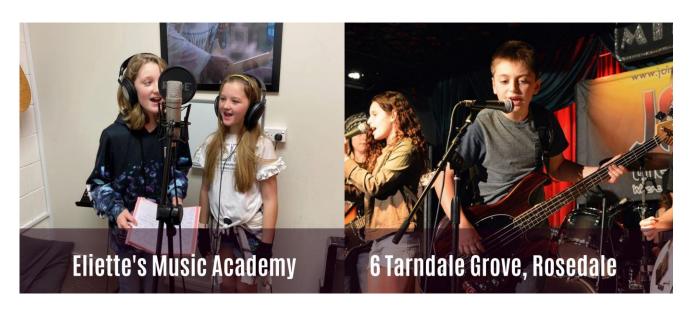
THURSDAY 28 - FRIDAY 29 APRIL, 9:30AM - 3PM

MONDAY 25 - WEDNESDAY 27 APRIL, 9:30AM - 3PM

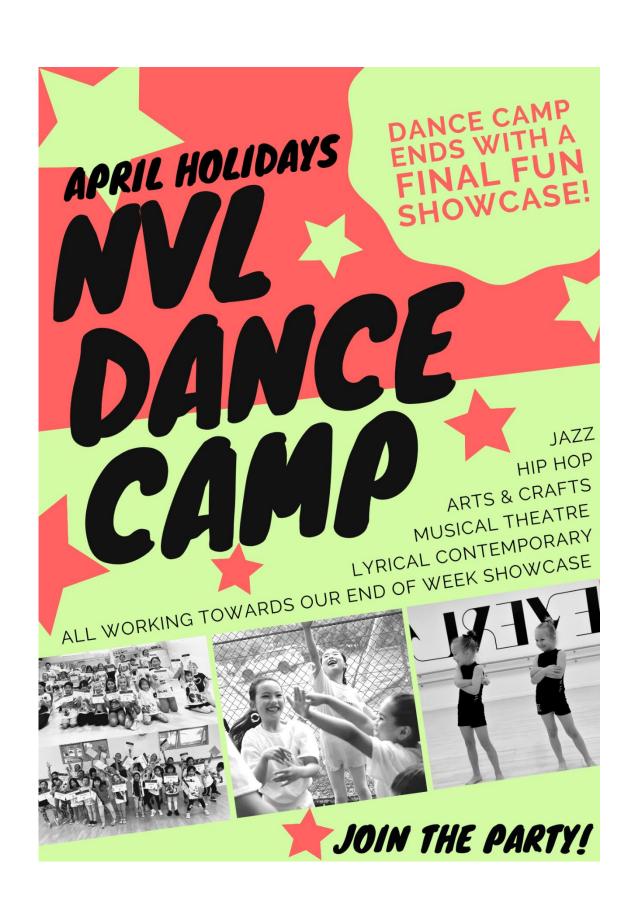
MONDAY 25 - FRIDAY 29 APRIL, 9AM - 3PM

WORKSHOPS AT ALBANY AND GRAFTON CAMPUSES TO ENROL GO TO:

WWW.ELIETTESMUSICACADEMY.COM/HOLIDAY-PROGRAMMES







29 March 2022

Busway Update

Dear neighbour

I am writing to provide an update regarding the completion of the Northern Busway Extension between Albany and Constellation Stations.

On Monday 4 April, the McClymonts Road bus only onramp will be permanently closed. Work will continue on the busway throughout April and early May with the busway extension being handed over to Auckland Transport in mid-May. You may see buses using the busway from early May, as during this time, Auckland Transport will be getting bus drivers familiar with the new route, ready for commuters.

Please note these dates may change due to factors outside our control such as COVID-19 or unexpected weather events and we will keep you updated.

Further Information

If you would like to learn more about the NCI project, please contact our Community Engagement Manager Emma Cushnie by email emma.cushnie@northerncorridor.co.nz or by phone on 027 532 4305.

E: northerncorridor@nzta.govt.nz

T: 0800 624 776

W: www.nzta.govt.nz/nci



STREET SOCCER SKILLS FORECAST



Week I: Izzy & Izzy Combo

Week 2: Akka & Knee Akka

Week 3: La Croqueta

Week 4: Hocus Pocus

Week 5: Neck Stall & Rainbow(s)

Week 6: Sole Receive into the Okocha

Week 7: Scoop flick & flick pass/no look

Week 8: Rabona/Fake Rabona /JJ Rabona

Week 9: Sombrero /Sombrero Pass

Week 10: Skill off - Show them all!!

As seen on redbull's world street style







Wave Warriors

Holiday Surf Programme

The NZ Surf Academy are running their popular holiday surf programme over the autumn holidays for 6-16yr olds at Orewa Beach

Fun, Safe, Active & Healthy

6-16yr olds | 5 & 4 Day Programme | \$195 per person 19 - 22 April | 25 - 29 April | AM or PM session times

Suitable for beginner and intermediate surfers – developing surf skills and water confidence in a fun and safe environment at Orewa Beach



Limited spaces | Please email to book surf@nzsurfacademy.co.nz www.nzsurfacademy.co.nz





Go to https://ecbafc.nz/register to sign up



Parenting courses in English and Mandarin

Parenting courses for parents of all cultures



\$100

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Positive Discipline for Under 4's



Effective Discipline



Parenting Adolescents

These three courses in English are delivered by Facebook Messenger for one hour per session per week by a parent educator with over 30 years of experience. You will be able to learn from the comfort of your home at a mutually suitable day and time prearranged between parent and parent educator. Daytime and a limited number of evening options are available

English

8 to 10 weeks each course

day time and evening

\$80

start anytime

Facebook Messenger

\$ 100



Effective Discipline 有效的教导

有效的教导(26个实用的技巧)

2022 - Term 2 Course | 2022年第二学期

全中文 课程

9:30am -12:30pm 5月5日开始 至

因疫情不确定原因,此课程将在线上进行Zoom教授,Zoom ID 和链接 会在报名付费后通过邮件发给家长。通过实践此课程所授技巧,在保 持与孩子亲密关系的基础上,让孩子的独立性与自律性大大提高。

请发邮件至nawwmp@gmail.com报名,报名人数仅限10人



Parenting Adolescents 教导青少年

2022 - Term 2 Course | 2022年第二学期

9:30am - 12:30pm

5月6日开始 至

因疫情不确定原因,此课程将在线上进行Zoom教授,Zoom ID 和链接会 在报名付费后通过邮件发给家长。通过实践此课程所授技巧,能更好的理 解青少年,能以更为积极正面的方法帮助青少年变得更有责任心与自律。

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