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# Newsletter

Term 2, Week 10, Wednesday 17th

## Dear Parents, Caregivers and Whanau

School life at Alert Level 1 is going well, with students enjoying being able to welcome their families into their classes and show them what they have been working on so far this term.

### Alert Level 1

Please remember that it is very important to keep your child/ren home if they are at all unwell. Phone Healthline (0800 611 116) or your GP and get tested if you, or your children, have cold or flu symptoms. Please make sure you and your family members are regularly washing and drying your hands thoroughly, and sneezing and coughing into elbows.

### Assemblies

Junior and Senior teams resumed team assemblies/gatherings last week. Our first whole-school assembly will be held on Friday this week, starting at 1:50pm.

### PTA Lunches

Friday lunches continue to be highly anticipated and enjoyed. Tuesday hotdogs remain on hold at the moment - I'll keep you updated.

### Kapa Haka and Bible Class

Both of these activities are well underway each Friday and continue to be enjoyed by those who enthusiastically take part. We have a past pupil, Hannah McDonald,

filming our Kapa Haka session this Friday as part of her media studies at Waiuku College. Permission slips have been sent home as consent must be given before a student can be filmed in a situation such as this. Please ensure these slips are signed and returned to school before Friday if you wish your child to take part. **No slip equals no Kapa Haka.**

### **Calf Club Committee**

After thorough research Willy Muir, President of the Calf Club Committee and the Group Day Committee, recommends that we go ahead with Calf Club for 2020. The Board of Trustees agrees with this decision. Bookmark the first Saturday of the Term 3 holidays (26th September)! Information came out recently regarding chicken orders and the dates that determine which section of the event your child's calf or lamb will be part of.

### **Parent/Teacher Interviews/Conferences**

As with all schools in the Waiuku district, Otua School will not be producing formal mid-year reports this term. However, we want to celebrate the learning that your children did, with your support, during Lockdown and highlight how well they have settled back into school. We will be holding parent/teacher meetings in Week 2, Term 3 on **Thursday 30th July** from 3pm to 7pm. Booking information will be available during the first week of Term 3.

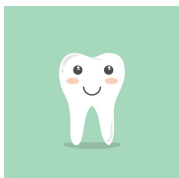
We continue to keep Carol and her husband, Ian, in our thoughts and prayers.

Take care everybody, stay safe.

Nga mihi,  
Jocelyn

### **Book Fair**

We will be holding a Book Fair in conjunction with Parent Conferences in July. More information will come home later with times the Book Fair will be open for viewing and ordering of books.



### **Children's Community Dental Clinic**

Some of our clinics will be open during Alert Level 1. We will be offering appointments to children with the most urgent dental care needs. Our staff will be in contact with the parents / caregivers of these children to book appointments.

We will contact parents / caregivers of children who are due for their routine appointments in due course. We are unable to put a timeframe on this at present, which means there may be delays in routine appointments.

If your child is in pain, or if you have any immediate concerns about their teeth, please phone 0800TALKTEETH to speak to one of our therapists. The therapist may offer an appointment for your child if required.

We kindly ask that you do not present to the clinics if you don't have an appointment booked. This is because we need to ask all parents / caregivers and patients COVID-19 questions over the phone before booking an appointment. This is to protect our staff and other patients in the clinic.

If you have any questions, please email [ARDS@waitematadhb.govt.nz](mailto:ARDS@waitematadhb.govt.nz). Thank you for your understanding and support during this time.  
Kind Regards, The Children's Community Dental Service

### **Northfuels - Fuel for Schools**

Northfuels Bulk Fuel suppliers run a sponsorship programme where local farmers and businesses can nominate a school for rewards. For every two litres of bulk fuel purchased 1 cent is donated to the nominated school. This might not seem like a lot but it does mount up. When this reaches \$1,000 the school can use this to receive different reward packages. At present we have \$1,091.57 thanks to the farms / businesses listed below. If you are interested in adding us to your sponsorship list please see the poster on the back page of the newsletter.

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