

Waitohu School

Newsletter – March 7 - 2019

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A bit of everything going on this week.....



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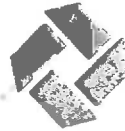
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SWIM KĀPITI SWIMMING LESSONS

Can **all junior students** who have been receiving swimming lessons please bring their togs to school **tomorrow Friday 8 March** for catch up lessons. The senior lessons will be over the following two weeks, starting 11 March. Those senior students involved have received a separate notice yesterday.

JUNIOR SCHOOL DUATHLON - FRIDAY 15 MARCH

The Junior Duathlon will be held on Friday 15 March starting at 10.00am. The course will be as follows:

10.00am start

5, 6 & 7 year olds (Run as separate races)

- Run 1 lap of field
- Walk laps of pool (1 lap 5 yr olds, 2 laps 6 yr olds, 3 laps 7 yr olds)

(Please note the change from a triathlon to a duathlon - thanks).

GALA – SUNDAY 7 APRIL 11.00AM – 2.00PM

We are planning to have a fantastic whanau event with music, kai, children's activities and loads of great bargains for sale. The date set for our gala is **Sunday 7 April**. Please mark it in your diaries and let friends and whanau know.

- **Stall Helpers – a helpers list is at the back of this newsletter, please consider where and how you can help, thanks.**
- **Vouchers** – we are hoping to have a range of vouchers to use with our quick fire raffles. You may be able to organise one for us. All vouchers will be gratefully received – restaurants, cafes, bakeries, hairdressers, appliance stores, cleaning services, one or two hours of a tradesperson's time We can 'create' the voucher so please don't hesitate to see someone in the office if you are able to donate in this way.
- **White Elephant Stall** – if you have any items that would be suitable (clothes, books, toys, etc) please bring them to the school office (please note old computers and TVs are not suitable), thanks.
- **Raffle Items** – once again, classes will be competing to bring the most items to school, to be used in our raffles. This year instead of cans, we need non-perishable pantry fillers, laundry products, hair products, toiletries and gourmet products. *If every family provides 1 or 2 items it will make a huge difference.*

Our Home and School Association Annual General meeting is on this Tuesday 12 March at 7.15pm

EARLY FINISH 12.30PM - THURSDAY 21 MARCH

On Thursday 21 March, school will close at 12.30pm. This is to enable teachers to attend a paid NZEI meeting relating to their collective employment contract. There will be no bus at this time.

LUCKY BOOK CLUB

Scholastic Lucky Book Club Offer 2 has been handed out today. Orders are due in by Wednesday 20 March. Please make cheques payable to Scholastic New Zealand Limited. The online ordering system now available is explained in the brochure.

EVENTS – UPCOMING

- Wheels Day – Senior Syndicate – Friday 8 March
- Assembly (10.10am) – Friday 8 March
- Home & School Association Annual General Meeting - Tuesday 12 March 7.15pm
- Junior Tryathlon – Friday 15 March
- School closes at 12.30pm - Thursday 21 March - NZEI Paid Union Meeting
- Assembly (10.10am) – Friday 22 March
- Year 6 Camp – Wednesday 27 March – Friday 29 March
- Gala – Sunday 7 April
- Board of Trustees Meeting – Tuesday 9 April at 7.15pm
- Assembly (10.20am) – Friday 12 April

- Final Day Term 1 – Friday 12 April
- Day 1, Term 2 – Monday 29 April

COMMUNITY NEWS

YOGA CLASSES FOR KIDS & ADULTS - WAITOHU SCHOOL HALL

A parent has kindly organised for yoga lessons to be run out of our school hall on Tuesday evenings. These are kid friendly beginner yoga classes within which mindfulness and meditation will also be taught. I encourage you to really consider whether this may be a useful skill for your child or yourself to learn. The benefits of learning yoga as a tool to bring calm and balance are experienced by many - there is now a local option for our community to try this out. More information is below:

Dates: Tuesday 2, 9, 16 & 30 April, Tuesday 7 and 14 May

Time: 6.30 - 8.00pm

Venue: Waitohu School Hall

Cost: \$50 child / \$80 adult (if cost is a barrier please contact Maine Curtis to discuss a reduced charge) Any enquiries can be made to Chris Heenan on 027 555 5681.

ŌTAKI SURF CLUB DANCE FUNDRAISER - TOMORROW FRIDAY 8 MARCH

Ōtaki Surf Club are hosting a live music and dance evening with Andrew London and friends with radio host and musician Nick Tansley at the clubhouse, 43 Marine Parade, Ōtaki Beach this Friday 8 March from 7.00pm. Tickets cost \$20, please deposit the money directly into the club account with your name and "London" as a reference; 01-07210004757-00, or go to Eventfinder. There will be a cash bar and food to purchase. For more information call Jutta on 021 039 5922 or Justine on 027 203 2066.

NATHAN MIKAERE WALLACE - THE TEENAGE BRAIN - WEDNESDAY 13 MARCH

Ōtaki College have invited Nathan Mikaere Wallace to speak on the teenage brain. This is to support parents in understanding what makes our tamariki and rangatahi tick. Nathan will speak on Wednesday 13th March between 7:30pm - 9:00pm in the Ōtaki College Hall. This event is on Eventfinda <https://www.eventfinda.co.nz/2019/the-developing-brain-otaki/otaki> While the college appreciate that it is expensive at a ticket price of \$38.88 (\$35.00 + \$3.88 fees), they do believe that as a recognised authority and speaker on brain development, it is important to give you this opportunity to hear Nathan speak.

ŌTAKI COLLEGE FAMILY FRIENDLY FUNDRAISING EVENT

Ōtaki College is hosting a Family Friendly Fundraising Event on Saturday 16 March from 4.30pm-9.00pm. There will be music by Andrew and Kirstin London and Feña Latino band, candy floss, bouncy castle and yummy food stalls and more. Tickets cost \$5 for adults and children and are available at the Ōtaki College Student Centre and Waitohu School office. See the attached poster for more details.

ŌTAKI JUNIOR FOOTBALL INFORMATION DAY AND REGISTRATIONS

Ōtaki Junior Football registrations will be opening soon via the online COMET website https://mycomet-oceania.analyticom.de/en_NZ/login. For more information about registering or coaching opportunities (free training given) contact Liz Crighton on 027 419 4932 or email at osc.juniorfootballafc@gmail.com. If you are interested in playing Senior Football contact Brendon Heenan on 027 479 2772.

KĀPITI FUN RUN FOR YOUTH

Kāpiti Fun Run to raise funds to help youth is on Sunday 31 March at MacLean Park, Paraparaumu Beach. You can choose from a 6k or 12k run or walk. To register or sponsor someone phone 04 299 2285 or go to www.kapitirunforyouth.co.nz for more information.

CELEBRATE NEIGHBOURS DAY AOTEAROA

KCDC are supporting Neighbours day in Kāpiti from 22-31 March. Plan a get together with five or more of your neighbours and they will help you out with ideas, support and a pack of goodies to help create a fun event. Register by 13 March at www.kapiticoast.govt.nz or email neighboursday@kapiticoast.govt.nz for more information.

Waitohu School Gala Helpers 2019 - Sunday 7 April

Please mark this date in your diaries and let friends and whanau know. **We need your help** to make this an awesome event. Please add your name, and return the form to the school office, if you are able to help in any of the ways listed below. Thanks.

Stall		Your name & phone number
Friday 5 April 9.05am White Elephant Sorting	4	
American Hot Dogs	2	
Lamb on a Spit	3	
Sausages		Harcourts Ōtaki
Hamburgers	4	
Confectionary/Drinks	4	
White Elephant	2	Sonya Howland
Clothes	3	
Quick Fire Raffle	2	Penny Gaylor
Face Painting	4	
Funky Hair	3	
Vegetables / Plants	3	Sharon Gilpin
Cake Stall	1	Diane Taylor
Books/Toys	1	Barbara Bevan
Jumpy Castles	0	FunzOwn Staff
Rides	0	FunzOwn Staff Teachers x 2
Clean Up at The End	5	
Mon 8 April - Final Clean Up	2	

(Please return this slip to the school office, thanks).



ŌTAKI COLLEGE

— HOME & SCHOOL —

Fundraiser

16TH MARCH 4.30PM – 9PM

TICKETS: \$5 FOR ADULTS AND CHILDREN
CHILDREN UNDER 5 FREE

Tickets available from Ōtaki College Student Centre and Waitohu School office

FAMILY FRIENDLY EVENT

Candy Floss, Bouncy Castle, Giant Games, Yummy Food Stalls, Māoriland Film Festival Previews and Music by the wonderful Kirsten and Andrew London and the amazing Feña Latino

