



## Welcome

I would like to welcome the following children and their families to our wonderful school: Alex Shen, Hope Gounder, Alston Wu, Dherya Prajapati, Gyujin Sim

## **Upcoming events**

6 July	Parent Teacher Conferences at school – school finishes at 12:30pm		
7 July	Parent Teacher Conferences <b>on-line</b> – school finishes at the usual time of 2:50pm		
8 July	End of Term – School finishes at 2:50pm		
25 July	Start of Term		

Upcoming events are also on our calendar on our website: www.oteha.school.nz



## **Staff News**

We are delighted to welcome back Mr Warren Spanhake, who will start up our New Entrant class in Room 24 after the July holidays. Mr Spanhake has taught in our school for a number of years at all year levels and we are looking forward to welcoming him back

### **Term 2 Review**

This is the last week of Term 2 and it is a good time to look back over the term and celebrate all the great things teachers have been doing in classes and the fact we have been able to welcome parents and whānau back into school, with some restrictions.

We celebrated the first week back with some daily celebrations and a prize draw. We welcomed back Omar from NZ Dance, who took all our classes through a dance session. We are really looking forward to welcoming him back for two weeks in Term 3. Riley Hathaway inspired our Year 5 & 6 children with her presentation and talk with them and our Student Leaders. We celebrated Anti Bullying Week with Pink Shirt Day and raised money for Anti Bullying NZ.

In June we cheered on all the children who competed in the School Cross Country, and we had our class and individual photos taken. Our top Mathematicians made us all very proud with their efforts at Mathex, with one of our teams placing third. We had our first on-site visit from our ERO Evaluation Partner, Jane Cavanagh-Eyre, and she was very impressed with the level of challenging activities our children were working on, as well as their behaviour and the very positive tone and culture throughout the school. Our top runners competed in the Cluster Cross Country, demonstrating resilience and perseverance on a tough course.

Our Year 5 and 6 Emeralds netball team had an enjoyable day playing in the North Harbour field day competition. Thanks to Vanessa Hughes and Kathryn Beck for organising and coaching and the parents who transported the girls.

Our Kapa Haka worked hard all term and absolutely loved being a part of our Kāhui Ako Matariki Festival at Long Bay College, for the first time in 2 years. All classes buddied up with another class to learn about Matariki and collaborate on artworks for our Matariki art display; it was wonderful to see so many of you come and see the work the children achieved. Our Māori and Pasifika children were invited to a special Matariki breakfast in the staffroom to celebrate Matariki and get some more ideas about how we can celebrate Te Reo and Te Ao Māori in our school.

Instructors from North Harbour Table Tennis have taken table tennis lessons with all classes over the past two weeks, and even our 5 year olds have managed to learn some basic skills and have some fun.

Our new classroom block is starting to look like classrooms, and we are expecting the roof to be installed in late July. This will help the builders to carry on working over the winter months. At this stage we are told that the building will be ready for us to occupy mid 2023, but this is dependant on the ongoing availability of building materials.

Over the upcoming holidays Rooms 17-20 will have new carpet and autex (wall coverings) installed and in the September/October holidays Rooms 13-16 will have the same.

Term 2 has been very busy and we are looking forward to everything we have planned for Term 3.



6 July 2022

## Matariki Art Display



#### Table Tennis in the hall





#### Term 3

Here are just some of the exciting things to look forward to in Term 3:

- Our Year 3 & 4 children have a visit from Sam Charlton, one of the Black Sticks, who will be travelling to Manchester for the upcoming Commonwealth Games
- Our Year 6s will visit Northcross Intermediate for the start of their transition to Intermediate in 2023
- Our Year 5 & 6 children in Rooms 17-20 have been very busy practising for their show "Moana", which had to be postponed last year. They will perform 3 shows in August
- In weeks 5 & 6 we welcome back Omar from NZ Dance for our Kiwisport Dance programme. All classes will have 9 lessons with Omar, culminating in a demonstration for parents Covid levels permitting.
- There are some Cluster sport days Football, Winter Sports Day, Rippa throughout the term
- Robo Girls will be visiting in September, working with some of our Year 5 girls
- A group of children will compete in the Science and Engineering EPRo8 competition that we did so well in last year.
- Our Year 6s are off to camp for three days and two nights at Carey Park in Henderson, in week 10

As well as all of these, teachers will be planning and providing many exciting, challenging and thought-provoking activities in all classes. Our Collaborative teaching model is becoming fully embedded across the school, and we are seeing some great outcomes for children as a result.

Whānau Friday will continue on Fridays and all classes will enjoy their special Just Awesome Day (JAD) activities on Fridays as well.

All events are displayed on the calendar on the school website and teachers will keep you informed through Community Notices on Hero, so make sure you check those frequently.

## **Parent Teacher Conferences**

Parent Teacher Conferences are being held **today Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup>** from 1pm to 6pm **and Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> July** 3:30pm to 6pm via Microsoft Teams. Teachers will send you a link prior to the day for Thursday so you can access the meeting. We are using Microsoft Teams for these as Zoom no longer provides unlimited free online meetings. Our staff all use Microsoft Teams every day and the quality of the video conference is very good. 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 need 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

Online bookings for conferences have now closed, if you have not booked a time, please contact the school office (PH 477 0033). SKIDS will be available on Wednesday, to book please follow the steps to book:

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



## **Term Dates 2023**

#### The Board of Trustees has approved the following term dates for 2023:

Term 1 Tuesday 7 February – Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> April
 Term 2: Wednesday 26 April – Friday 30 June
 Term 3: Monday 17 July – Friday 22 September

Term 4 Monday 9 October - Wednesday 20 December

There are some other days that our school is closed during the year, for public holidays or Teacher Only Days. The Ministry of Education has allocated additional days that schools are closed for instruction to allow for teacher professional development.

School is closed on the following days:

Monday 6 February- Waitangi Day Friday 7<sup>th</sup> April – Good Friday Monday 24<sup>th</sup> April – Teacher only Day Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> April- ANZAC Day observation Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June Queen's Birthday Friday 14<sup>th</sup> July – Matariki (in the July holidays) Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> October – Labour Day

School events are listed on the calendar on our website.

We endeavour to give you as much notice as possible of upcoming events and will put reminders in the newsletter where possible.

### **COVID** and Winter Illnesses

Thank you to all of you who keep your children at home when they are unwell. We have managed to keep the school running, despite several staff either testing positive for COVID or being household contacts and required to isolate. We are fortunate to have a small group of reliable relieving teachers we can call on to fill in when teachers are away. We have had some days when we have 'run out of' relievers and had to buddy up classes but we only do this when we have no other option.

All staff continue to wear masks, and this has undoubtedly helped reduce the spread of COVID and other illnesses. Thank you for supporting us by providing a mask for your child at school; most children wear a mask indoors. Thank you to all of you who wear a mask when you come into the Office or go into your child's classroom or the hall, when invited- we appreciate this, as it helps keep our staff safe as well.

The Ministry of Education are going to deliver some child-sized masks to schools for children in Years 4-6. We have been providing child-sized masks for all children who need them and will continue to do so. Children can come to the Office if they need one.



## Mathex

Congratulations to our Ranginui mathematicians who made us all proud at the Primary Mathex competition. Schools from all over the North Shore and the Hibiscus Coast send teams to this annual Maths competition at Northcross Intermediate. All three of our teams placed well with Team 1 placing 3rd, Team 2 7th and Team 3 15th. A huge achievement against such strong competition!

Team 1	Team 2	Team 3
Dennis Liu Rm 17	Yudi Wu Rm 20	Chloe Run Rm 20
Ethan Yuan Rm 17	Kyle Zhang Rm 20	Jessie Dong Rm 18
Isabella Zhang Rm 17	Melody Xue Rm 20	Lorraine Yin Rm 18
Jimmy Wang Rm 19	Jadie Zhu Rm 20	Avery Choe Rm 18
Well done everyone!		





## **School Cross Country**

Here are the results from our School Country. Thanks to all the parents and whānau who were able to come and help cheer all the runners on.

1 <sup>st</sup> 2 <sup>nd</sup>	r 1 Boys Avian Fourie Raphael Yamaji	Year 1 Girls 1st 2nd	Elisa Chen Jaycee Lee Hartley Carter
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Martin Zhang	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Aveline Chueh
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$2^{nd}$	Ken Nguyen	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Maria Jesus Penaloza
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Edwin Wu	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Hayley Gan
Yea	r 4 Boys	Year 4 Girls	
1 st	Ashton Leung	1 st	Amasha Wilford
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Our top runners went to Long Bay Regional Reserve for the Cluster Competition. Thanks to Mr Killen for organising our School Cross Country and training the runners for The Cluster Competition, and to the parents who helped supervise and support all the runners.

## Rippa

Our Year 5 and 6 Rippa team had a perfect start to the Rippa competition winning all their games at the first Rippa Tournament of the year. The following day I received an email from the Principal of another school, commending our children on their attitude and behaviour, which was positive to hear. Thanks to Jamie and Zach Adkins for coaching our team and Matt Killen for organising this.



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Did you know that your donation to us attracts a tax rebate?

Oteha Valley School is a TaxGift School! You can grow your donations to us by signing up to TaxGift and gifting the tax rebate on your donations to us from this year forward.

#### Here's how:

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#### What else should I know?

It won't cost you anything to sign up to TaxGift; no money leaves your bank account (although the school pays TaxGift a small fee for its services). Signing up to TaxGift appoints TaxGift as your tax agent solely for the purpose of gifting your tax rebate back to Oteha Valley School. Don't worry - it doesn't affect any other tax agents that you might have (for example, if you have an accountant who does your tax returns). You must be an individual New Zealand tax resident who has earned taxable income in the relevant tax year to be eligible for the tax credit and you can opt out of TaxGift at any time by emailing their friendly team.

You can visit TaxGift's website for more information.

These additional funds will make a huge difference to the education we can provide to your children in 2022, and going forward, and we greatly appreciate any donations received in this way.





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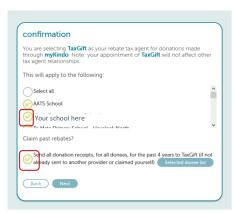


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Click the 'more info' link to find out more information on the TaxGift website.



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Haven't claimed tax credits before? Gift them to us and boost your donation even more! Simply check the box to send all donation receipts for the last 4 years.

And you're done! We greatly appreciate any donations received in this way and thank you for your continued support of our school.



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## **After School Traffic**

I really don't want to have to mention traffic again after all the positive things that have happened this term, but unfortunately the situation on Fields Parade has got worse, with some people continuing to ignore road markings and parking where they want to. This includes parking on yellow lines, and grass verges and berms, and over our neighbours' driveways.

To make matters worse, staff at the school have been sworn at, yelled at and verbally abused by a few parents, which is absolutely unacceptable. Office staff, and the staff who are at the gate every afternoon, trying to keep your children safe, should not have to put up with any aggressive behaviour. There is nothing we can do to ease the traffic situation, but there is plenty you can do. If all parents/caregivers/whānau drove and parked respectfully and lawfully, this would be a huge help in easing the stress at the gate before and after school.

Some parents new to the school have asked why the school driveway cannot be used. It is closed to all non-school vehicles as the bottom gate entrance is blocked off to allow the trucks and other machinery working on our new classrooms to come and go during the day. If the gate was open for other vehicles, it would be a potential hazard for children and staff. When our school roll was much smaller than it is today, the bottom entrance was open for parents to drive through and drop off and pick up children. However, when the school roll increased it became a safety issue with cars queuing back down Medallion Drive and around the old round-a-bout. We also had a child hit by a car driven by a parent who was trying find a park in the school car park.

I appreciate and share the frustration with the traffic but shouting at and abusing school staff isn't going to change the situation. The best thing you can do is ensure you park away from the school and let your child walk the rest of the way with friends or siblings. It would also help if you contact Auckland Transport and let them know how bad the situation is. The more that parents complain, the more likely they are to send staff out. Ironically, Auckland Transport did send an enforcement officer out to monitor the situation, but unfortunately it was last Monday when we had our Teacher Only Day. I went to the gate to talk to him and he said to me "Where's the chaos?" I hoped they would send someone the next day but they didn't.

We all want our children, parents, whānau and our staff to be safe so please be kind and considerate when driving, parking and interacting with school staff-thank you.

I hope all the children have a good break over the upcoming holidays and look forward to welcoming everyone back on Monday 25 July.

Rose Neal, Principal

## **Community Notices**



6 July 2022



Northcross Intermediate School Enrolments are now open for both in zone and out of zone enrolments. You can access the enrolment form through this link:

#### **NX Enrolment Form**

or by going on to the Northcross Website:

## https://www.northcross.school.nz/enrolment

All enrolment applications need to be completed by the 7<sup>th</sup> September 2022.

For any further enrolment information please contact Donne at: <a href="mailto:office@northcross.school.nz">office@northcross.school.nz</a>





My name is Calvin Wootton from Future Basketball Academy. My team and I offer high quality basketball coaching to students 5 – 15 years+

We would like to offer coaching resources including coaches to help at practices if you need help. We also help develop coaches through Harbour Basketball and Basketball New Zealand's framework.

**About Us -** We're based at Northcross Intermediate. Our Head Coach Aik Ho has a high pedigree of coaching and is Tall ferns / Otago Nuggets Assistant coach. He has won numerous awards for coaching and we are very lucky to have him and his team with us.

To get in touch visit our website www.fba.co.nz





# **Little** Kickers

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## ART DAY FOR CHILDREN (ages 7 - 12 yrs.)

With step-by-step instruction children will draw then create a vibrant acrylic painting learning tips and techniques along the way. Fun and focused.

Venue: St Anne's Hall, Browns Bay, July 14th, 10am - 3.00pm. Cost \$60

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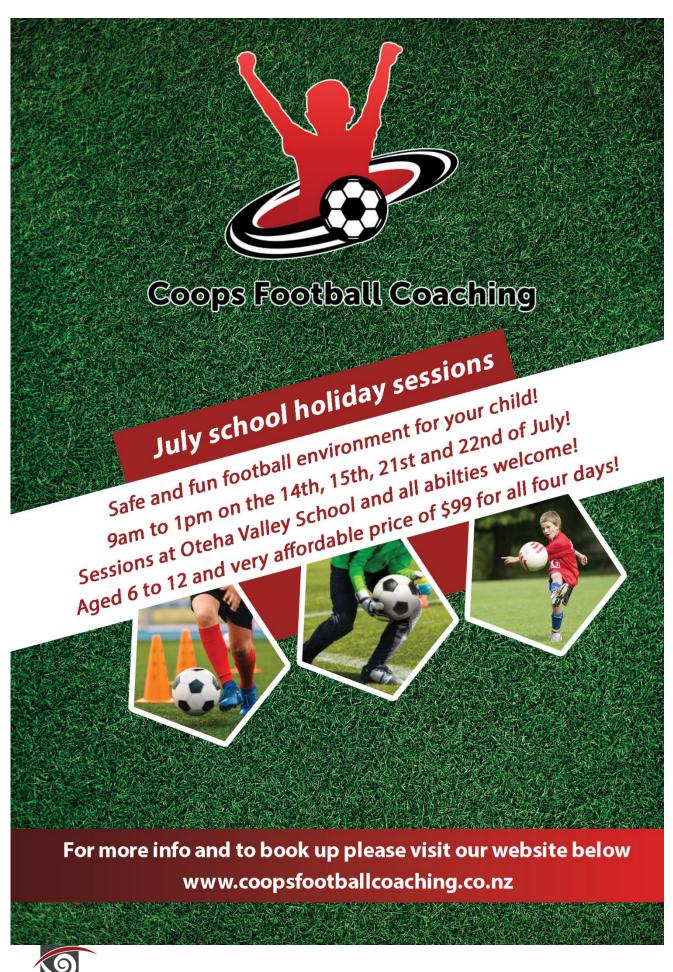
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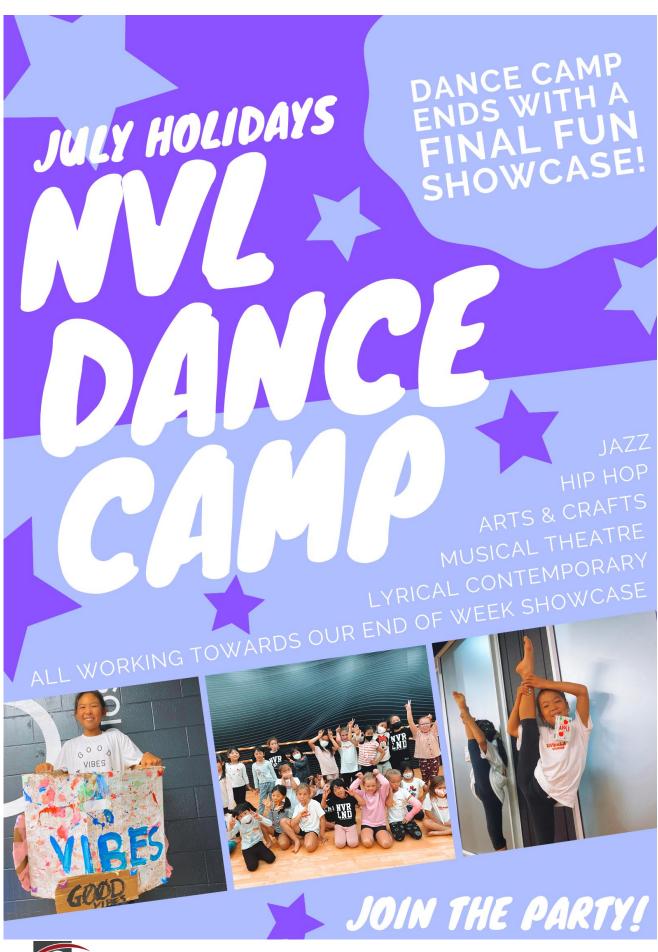
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# **JULY HOLIDAYS**

BAND SENIOR (13-17 YRS)

**BAND JUNIOR (8-12 YRS)** 

**SONGWRITING + MUSIC MUSIC VIDEO (13-18 YRS)** 

**SONGWRITING + MUSIC MUSIC VIDEO (8-12 YRS)** 

**ALADDIN! MUSICAL THEATRE (7-14 YRS)** 

MONDAY 18 - WEDNESDAY 20 JULY, 9:30AM - 3PM

THURSDAY 21 & FRIDAY 22 JULY, 9:30AM - 3PM

MONDAY 11 - THURSDAY 14 JULY, 9:30AM - 3PM

TUESDAY 12 - FRIDAY 15 JULY, 9:30AM - 3PM

MONDAY 18 - FRIDAY 22 JULY, 9AM - 3PM

## TO ENROL GO TO:

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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!

18 - 22 July 2022, 9 am – 4 pm daily Held at Belmont Intermediate School 188 Lake Road, Takapuna

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## **Oteha Valley School**

#### **WEDNESDAYS AND FRIDAYS**

**Junior Robotics Level 1: Coding Introduction** 

Start date: 18 May 2022 Robotics Class: 3:00 - 4:00pm Creative Package: 4:00 - 5:00pm Location: Pod 4

From \$25 per session

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## TOURING AOTEAROA THROUGH JUNE-JULY 2022 DURING TERM AND THE SCHOOL HOLIDAYS!

The Glow Show's fabulous, giant-scale, glow-in-the-dark puppets are back, touring all of Aotearoa!

The magical MATARIKI GLOW SHOW is coming to a theatre near you, during Term 2 AND the July school holidays.

61,000+ tamariki, educators and whānau have already seen our Glow Shows... this year, join us in an exquisite celebration of our very first, nationwide Matariki holiday.

The MATARIKI GLOW SHOW tells the gorgeous story of te kāhui whetu õ Matariki (the star cluster/whānau of Matariki) as they gather to light up the skies for Te Tau Hou Māori (Māori New Year). But where is the smallest star Waipuna-a-rangi? Could she be lost in the moana?

The show brings this mythical magic to life with its unique puppets, which glow under UV lights in a black box theatre and intrigue tamariki wherever they go.

Delightfully told in te reo Māori and English, the MATARIKI GLOW SHOW educates as it entertains, with its cutting-edge concept, upbeat original soundtrack, and themes of whakawhānaungatanga, friendship and togetherness.

The show is touring to 40 venues, from Kaitaia to Invercargill, most locations, staging two different shows - a concise version for ages 5 and under, and a longer version with Q&A for 6-12 year olds. Shows sell out so book your tickets fast!

#### The Matariki Glow Show will be at Orewa Arts & Events Centre, June 11!

**Weekend Show** 

11am (0-5 years) - \$16.50pp + fees 1pm (6-12 years) - \$18.50pp + fees

One day only, so don't miss out! Book at www.glowshow.co.nz/bookings
You can email us for more info at hello@glowshow.co.nz



The Matariki Glow Show is proudly presented by Little Green Man Productions Join us on Facebook! <u>www.facebook.com/glowshowco</u>





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