



OTAKIRI COUNTRY SCHOOL

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Kiwi Class have been working on Doubling and Halving in Math. We have looked at doubling dots on a Ladybird's shell and used counting in twos to support halving coloured rings to make a caterpillar.

The Ladybird laid heaps of eggs on a leaf. By Zoey



The ladybird has six legs. The caterpillar is eating a leaf. I made a caterpillar with 6 circles. By Max



The Ladybird can walk and the ladybird can fly. The eggs are on the leaves. The eggs started to hatch and the larvae crawled out. By Johnachris



0, 2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14, 16, 18, 20.

My caterpillar can see something very yummy. The caterpillar is so hungry he ate a big pineapple. By Lennox



A Caterpillar is resting in the meadow. A butterfly hatches out of a cocoon. By Jackson-George

The Caterpillar is hiding from the praying mantis. The caterpillar is going home. It has 2, 4 circles. By Cole

I found a caterpillar in the grass. The caterpillar turned into a butterfly. By Blake



My Caterpillar is my favourite. I love it so much. By Aleia



My Caterpillar is climbing up the hill. By Nash

I am a ladybird. What do you see? I see a red shell with black spots. By Gabriella

$$\frac{1}{2} \text{ of } 2 = 1$$
$$1 + 1 = 2$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \text{ of } 4 = 2$$
$$2 + 2 = 4$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \text{ of } 6 = 3$$
$$3 + 3 = 6$$

My little caterpillar can see mum butterfly. Here is the caterpillar turning into a butterfly. By Japman



I see little eggs. The little caterpillar went to eat the leaf. By Harlow

The caterpillar eats leaves and it turns into a butterfly. By Johnachris



$$\frac{1}{2} \text{ of } 8 = 4$$
$$4 + 4 = 8$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \text{ of } 10 = 5$$
$$5 + 5 = 10$$

A caterpillar turns into a butterfly. By Tavneet

I am a caterpillar with my family. I like the butterfly because it is colourful. By Kaiarahi

For Fitness, Blue Team have been working to develop timing and rhythm. Our circuit includes skipping with long ropes, short ropes, hula hoops and ladders. Kiwi Class children have been practising alongside their older peers developing these important skills.



Wheels day



Friday 1st October

Music will be playing at lunch and there will be an RC car race track

Bring your wheels to school

There will be prizes for best dressed vehicles

Helmets are to be worn while bike riding and are encouraged for scooters, skateboards etc



Māori Whānau Consultation

Thank you so much for all the whanau who have been able to complete the Maori Whanau Consultation Survey. If you have a completed survey at home please return it by tomorrow, so your views can be included.

Ag Day and Group Day Trophy Cleaning

On Friday 1st October the Ag Day committee will be having a trophy cleaning bee at 1pm in the school staffroom. We would appreciate your help if you are able to spare an hour or two.

Due to the uncertainty of Covid Alert Levels we will not be having caged animals or a Spring Art Display in the hall.

An information pack for all students and whanau who have entered an animal has come home this week. It includes the guidelines and procedures for Ag Day, should we still be under Alert Level 2. Please read it carefully as it does have some significant changes from our 'normal' Ag Day programme.

End of Term Assembly

We do have our final assembly tomorrow afternoon. Unfortunately, due to being in Alert Level 2, no parents or caregivers can attend.

FACT 4

Using a Defence Spray coats the hair in a thin film that deters lice over an eight hour period.

FACT 3

A head lice life cycle lasts 35-45 days - making it necessary to repeat treatments to fully break the cycle.



FACT 1

In a lifetime, a female louse can lay up to 120 eggs and it is difficult to kill all the eggs present when the infestation is first treated

FACT 2

Eggs can hatch every 6-10 days after being laid, making infestation often an ongoing problem

Dates and Reminders

18th October to 1st November – Dental Bus at school (TBC); **1st October – Wheels Day, Assembly 2pm and Last Day of Term 3**; 18th October – First Day of Term 4; **21st October – Ag Day**; 25th October – Labour Day; **26th October – Group Day Day**; 29th October – Assembly 2pm; **5th November – Gold Team Athletics**; 12th November – Assembly 2pm and School Disco 5pm to 8pm; **19th November – Teacher only Day, NO SCHOOL**;