

NEWTOWN SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

**TERM TWO WEEK 8** 



Check out our Principal Award winners from our last School Assembly!

### Message from the Principal

Welcome to our new learners, Krizani and Maanvi in Pohutukawa. Nicon and Marley in Harakeke. Zakariya in Tui and Carl in Ngati Kotahitangi!

Last week was School Support Staff week, where we acknowledge the wonderful work our support staff do which supports our students and school. We celebrated with a special morning tea. Many children shared their thoughts in cards and notes for these wonderful people.

A huge congratulations to our chess star Luna – Luna came second at a chess tournament recently. We also congratulate our team of seven cross-country runners who competed at the Inter zone championships earlier this week.

The progress of our new building continues. Concrete will be poured next week to finish the second storey of one section and lay the floor for the large section running parallel to Riddiford Street.

A newly released New Zealand Physical Activity Guidelines outline the minimum levels of physical activity required to gain health benefits and ways to incorporate incidental physical activity into everyday life. I thought these are worth sharing. One particular aspect that stood out was regarding sleep. Up to one in four New Zealand children aged 5-13 may not be getting enough sleep. Children who do not get enough sleep can be hyperactive, impulsive and have a short attention span. They are more likely to struggle with verbal creativity and problem solving, and generally score lower on IQ tests. A short sleep duration may produce adverse hormonal changes like those potentially associated with obesity, diabetes and hypertension.

Please read the key summary points in this newsletter.



### Follow Us On Facebook!

Search Newtown School.



School Starts at 8:55am. Please make sure your child is here before then to socialise with their friends.



Remember you can pay for school lunches, sports and school donations using Wrap It Up

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## Sad goodbyes and happy hellos

It is with great sadness to inform you that Laura will be leaving Newtown School at the end of this term. After a lot of thought, she has decided to take a few months off teaching to go back home to spend time with her family before she embarks on overseas travels, adventures and work.

She has loved her time at Newtown School getting to know the wonderful children, parents and community. We are all going to miss her and her passion for education.



We are lucky enough to have a wonderful replacement for Laura with Linda Martelletti joining Te Whānau Harakeke and our staff full-time until the end of the year!

Again we wish Laura all the best in her future travel and experiences and hope to see her back one day soon!

### **Interzone Cross Country**

Huge congratulations to our awesome runners this week! We are proud of all of you. They had a great time and we had some good results with Felix and Ava placing in the top 20.

Thank you to Lisa, who took the students up to MacAlister Park.



Head Lice - Please remember to check your child regularly for head

lice. For more information about how to treat or check visit <a href="https://www.kidshealth.org.nz/head-lice">https://www.kidshealth.org.nz/head-lice</a> or pop in and talk to Helen at the office.

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#### Curriculum Corner



So what happens between 9 and 3 in a school day? This term we are growing, exploring, exploding curiosity! We are curious about science, inventions, art, Matariki, space, Maths, the hangi...the list is long.

In our curriculum we define curiosity as:

'Learners who are curious have an interest in the world around us. We notice, think, reflect and share ideas. We wonder about possibilities and delight in discovering what is new.' In every space in our school you will see learners doing all these things. As we head towards our Matariki celebrations and Eid, we notice the importance of celebrations, we think about the meaning of our celebrations and we reflect on each other's stories. We share with each other and learn to respect and understand each other's culture. Newtown School is lucky to have so many different cultures. We have plenty to be curious about.

Ask your children what they are curious about. Encourage them to notice, think, reflect and share their curiosity with you. Let them astonish you.



I HAVE NO SPECIAL TALENTS. IAM ONLY PASSIONATELY CURIDUS.

-ALBERT EINSTEIN





We welcome Heba to our school staff. She will be working over time with our 40 plus arabic speakers.

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## A healthy 24 hours for children.

This should include: Sit less, Move more, Sleep more.

- uninterrupted good-quality sleep of 9 to 11 hours per night (aged 5 to 13) and 8 to 10 hours per night (aged 14 to 17) with consistent bed and wake-up times.
- an accumulation of at least one hour per day of moderate to vigorous physical activity involving a variety of aerobic activities.
- no more than two hours per day of recreational screen time.
- breaking up sitting time and participating in a variety of light physical activities for several hours.



# Newtown Out and About!

Nicole was lucky enough to catch the dominate Under 9's Hunters Rugby League team last weekend. Levi, Teyonce, Leonidus, Posidon and Anzac have been unbeaten all season and thanks to a last minute try to Poseidon they kept their unbeaten run going against Otaki. Keep up the effort team!



We love hearing about the things our learners are doing outside of school so if you have photos and a brief description please email them to <a href="mailto:kelvinh@newtown.school.nz">kelvinh@newtown.school.nz</a> and we will try feature them over the term.

### This week Ralph came to school to help support Tui with their writing!





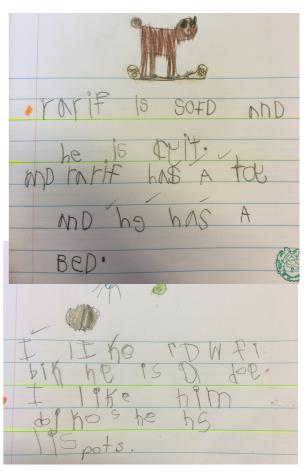


## **ABSENT STUDENTS**

Phone: 04 389 6667

Email: admin@newtown.school.nz

Text: 020 401 75659



## **UP AND COMING EVENTS**

23/06 - Matariki School Hangi

28/06 - BoT Meeting 6:15pm

30/06 - School Disco - Space Theme

06/07 - FANS Meeting (staffroom)

07/07 - End of Term 2



Term Dates 2017	
Term One	2nd February - Thursday 13th April
Term Two	Monday 1st May - Friday 7th July
Term Three	Monday 24th July - Friday 29th September
Term Four	Monday 16th October - Tuesday 19th December







STANDOUTS DRAMA \* DANCE \* SINGING
4day Performing Arts Workshops in Lyall Bay
Calling all Drama Queens (& Kings)! Join our
troupe as we get an original show on the road
these holidays. We'll be dancing, singing, and
acting up a storm- as well as
painting sets, making props and costumes for
our show on the final afternoon. Come be a
standout!

Week 1: Tues 11th- Fri 14th July 9am-4pm daily
Week 2: Tues 18th- Fri 21st
July 9am-4pm daily Experienced, inspiring &
professional tutors
\$220 per child + family discounts available
email gemma@standouts.co.nz or
phone 9072929 for more info.
www.standouts.co.nz

In the July 2017 Holidays, Newtown Movie School are again offering popular movie making and animation holiday programmes.

Monday 10 to Wednesday 12 July
Stop Motion Animation - Popular 3 days of
movie making creativity with Lego and colour
paper

Thursday 13 July
iPad Movie Director- Turn your iPad into a
serious movie making studio. Up your game
from home movies - learn proper skills for
recording great pictures and sound, then edit
into a captivating movie. (based in Newtown)

For more information go to www.newtownmovieschool.co.nz or contact Craig Lauridsen 021 966 277



KELLY CLUB JULY HOLIDAY PROGRAMMES – "NIGEL KENNEDY AND MR FUNNY BUNNY ARE COMING TO KELLY CLUB TUESDAY 11TH JULY 2017"!

Kelly Club offers a full time Holiday Programme during the July school holidays at Island Bay School from 10th July – 21st July 2017. Kelly Club Holiday Programmes focus on giving children aged between 5 and 13 the opportunity to do things they enjoy in a safe, supportive and encouraging

environment. The programmes are packed with activities to entertain and inspire children. For full details and to enrol into our programmes visit www.kellyclub.co.nz email adminwgtn@kellysports.co.nz or call 022 198 6316

FOOTBALL MORNING HOLIDAY WORKSHOP (Yrs 1–6) Wests Rugby Clubrooms, Wilton (all weather indoor surface). Improve technique by working on the core skills of control, dribbling, passing, tackling & shooting.

Great practice for the winter season!

Week 1 - Tues, Wed & Thurs 9.30am-12.30pm, Week 2 - Tues, Weds, Thurs 9.30am-12.30pm

"GIRLS ONLY FOOTBALL" - Week 1 Fri 14th July 9.30am-12.30pm

NETBALL HOLIDAY WORKSHOP (Yrs 1-6) Onslow College Gym - Johnsonville Grow your child's confidence with our netball skills programme focusing on the key skills areas for their level of development. We use fun drills and games to develop and challenge young players Week 1 – Weds, Thurs 1pm-4pm

#### Beyond the Page Children and Youth literary festival from 8-23 July

Ages 5-18 are invited to go beyond the page, immerse themselves the world of story, and express their creativity during the July school holidays.

Wellington City Libraries, Hutt City Libraries and Upper Hutt City Library are hosting a packed programme of free performances, workshops and events to surprise, entertain and inspire.

For more information check out the website: www.bevondthepage.nz