

NEWTOWN SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

TERM ONE WEEK 10



Check out our Principal Award winners and 20+ Cards of Awesome from our last Whole School Assembly.

Message from the Principal

Welcome to our new learners, Khadija (Tui), Mustafa (Pohutukawa), Zeid (Waitangi) Jordyn and Kaitiaki (Ngati Kotahitanga)

Kia ora, Newtown's first term has been a very busy place of learning and building. Term two planning of events and learning opportunities also bodes well for an exciting term.

To our F@NS group, I wish to give a mighty shout out of **congratulations to everyone**; parents, staff and extended whānau members, who so generously contributed their time and energy, to make this year's Food Fair such an awesome success. The massive number of hours that our F@NS group gives, behind the scenes is immense, and there are simply too many people to thank individually. However, a special mention must be made of Lucy for being the person who so calmly and capably pulled and held everything together this year. It is during such events as this that I feel so grateful to lead a school that has such a wonderfully supportive community.

The new school build is progressing slowly, but we were all very pleased to see the drilling and piling rig leave this week, signalling the completion of the piling stage. Although this proved to be a challenging exercise on our school site, we are confident that our foundations will be very solid!



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



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

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FANS and Newtown School would like to thank all the local organisations that supported the Food Fair with donated or discounted food. They are:



L'affare

Curry Pot

SWIS

Newtown Bowling Club

Newtown Working Men's Bowling Club

Dumpling'd

Wellington Halal Meat

And of course special thanks to all the whanau that donated their time and shared their food. You can all take a bow! To be in the loop on other school events and information make sure you're signed up to FANS by emailing

Friends@newtown.school.nz

Spare Clothing

If you have any spare boys underpants or pants at home we would love them in Whānau Tui and Harakeke. From time to time children have accidents and we want to get them feeling comfortable and back learning as soon as possible.

If you have any please drop them into Sarah in Tui.

Building Update!

The piling is finished! On Thursday we said good-bye to the drill and crane which has finished drilling all 160 wooden and metal piles into the ground.

We can't wait for the next stage to start.



Entertainment Book 2017

https://www.entertainmentbook.co.nz/ orderbooks/10p4934

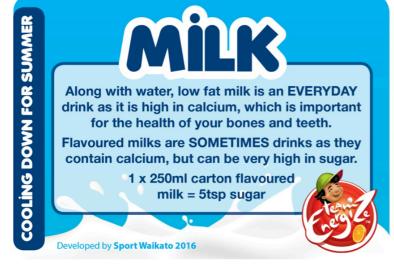
Remember to support Newtown School and sign up for your Entertainment book today!



We welcome to our staff **Gregory Tawhai**, who is a train taiaha tutor. A wide range of students will benefit from his tuition of self-discipline, responsibility and leadership in the traditional Maori discipline.

We look forward to next term also engaging with a new kapa haka teacher who will tutor across the school.





Project Energize

Thank you to all the families that have returned the Food and Drink Survey this week. This is great information for the school for future planning to create a healthier community.

Whanau Tui Update

In Whanau Tui the we are excited about our Action Stations and Problem Solving Maths programmes this term.

Our Action Stations programme encourages in our children:

- Curiosity for learning
- Develops language of learning
- Persistence, cooperative skills, curiosity for learning
- Freedom and choices
- Planning-setting goals together
- Reflection and sharing

The children choose the activity they want to work at. They can choose the vet, shop, restaurant, build a hut, build a net, musical instruments, ruler drawing, construction etc.



Our Problem Solving Maths encourages children to:

- Explore real life maths problems
- Work with their learning buddy
- Explore different ways to solve a problem
- Talk about their maths





New Entrant Enrolments

If you have any four year olds that are going to start school this year please see Helen in the office to fill in a form and let us know when your child is starting. Remember Tui has an open afternoon every Tuesday 1:30-3pm.



This term we have started our garden to table program for one class of students from Years 4-6. During 2016 we ran two trials for the program to assess the needs and requirements for a successful program that will thrive. It has been such a great experience and the students have loved taking part. Most importantly we need to say a huge thank you to our parents and community members who came in each week to volunteer their time and skills. We couldn't have done it without them!







How it works:

Gardening – Two groups alternate each week to spend time in the garden learning about caring for soil, garden beds, plants and compost. We plant seasonal vegetables and tend them until they are big enough for us to harvest and use in our cooking.







<u>Kitchen</u> – While one group is in the garden, the other is in the kitchen. Students learn new recipes each week, always using veges from our gardens. In the kitchen, students prepare, cut, fry, bake, serve and clean up after each session.

Just before the end of our session our gardeners, chefs, teachers and volunteers gather together to share the food that has been prepared. This is a great time to chat about what we did over the session and be grateful for the work and effort put in by each person that day.

Can you help?

We need volunteers to help us to run this program again. You don't need to be a good gardener or chef to help us out. We just need extra adult hands from people who want to support the learning we are doing.

If you can help on Fridays between 11:30 and 12:45 even once, on some occasions or on a regular basis, please email Tim Crawshaw – <u>timc@newtown.school.nz</u>



ABSENT STUDENTS

Phone: 389 6667

Email: admin@newtown.school.nz

Text: 020 401 75659

UP AND COMING EVENTS

13/04 Last Day of Term 01/05 Term 2 Starts

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







Ktds 4 Drama Classes



Where's your local drama class?

Newtown Community Centre
Wednesdays 3.30pm— 4.30pm, Ages 5 — 8 years
Wednesdays 4:30pm — 5.30pm, Ages 9 — 12 years
Fridays 4pm—5.30pm, Teen Acting Class

Kids 4 Drama Classes teach clear communication, improvisation, mime, character portrayal and general performance skills, as well as being loads of fun and an excellent confidence building tool.



You can visit a class or join anytime during the term. To book, or for more details please contact us.

> Ph: 0800 227 827, Email: becca@kids4drama.co.nz

www.kids4drama.co.nz



Island Bay United Holiday Football @ Wakefield Park Tuesday 18th April – Friday 21st April 2017 9am – 3pm \$35 per day

Kick start your football season with our fun filled football week. This holiday programme is loved by primary and intermediate boys and girls, aged 5-12. Get in quick to work with our Coaching and Developing Manager, Martin Garcia and enjoy 4 days filled with fun and football.

BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL - Registration is on the IBU Junior club website <u>www.ibujuniors.org.nz</u>

Email queries to events@ibujuniors.org.nz

Island Bay United Junior Football Club – A few spaces are still available for the winter season teams – please email registration@ibujuniors.org.nz to enrol your child in football this year.

Newtown Movie School

Wednesday 19 to Friday 21 April
Stop Motion Animation
Monday 10 to Wednesday 12 July
Stop Motion Animation
Thursday 13 July
iPad Movie Director

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

KELLY CLUB APRIL HOLIDAY PROGRAMMES

Kelly Club is offering a full time Holiday Programmes at **Island Bay School** during the April school holidays from 18th April – 28th April 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 islandbay@kellyclub.co.nz or call 022 198 6316.

TERM 2 AFTER SCHOOL CREATIVE CLASSES in Newtown, Aro Valley and Hataitai

DIY: Choreography (Make Your Own Dances)

This is a class for kids about the basics of making dances and discovering their own style of movement.

<u>DIY: Comedy Sketches</u> A combination of physical comedy (a la Charlie Chaplin/ Mr Bean) and theatre, this class allows kids to play and learn how to mould this into something fun and watchable.

Classes held in two age brackets 5-7, 8-12yrs. Enquiries taken about over 12 yrs groups and about classes in other locations.

Contact Jen McArthur through the website http://jenmcarthur.com/

If you have something for Community Notices please email kelvinh@newtown.school.nz