



Newtown School

Love learning, love life!

WEEK 6 | TERM 2 | JUNE 2018

Updates for the Friends and Whānau of Newtown School

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MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Thursday 5 July 2018 will be the day we officially move into our new school! Newtown parents and whānau will be invited to attend the blessing. Invitations will go out later in the term. Families will also be able to 'walk through' the new school on Wednesday 25 July between 8am - 9am and 3pm - 6pm.

The school library will be closed from the end of next week so we can pack it up for moving to its permanent position (where whānau Tui currently is). Please have a look around home and return any books that may be lurking under beds or in bags. We are always grateful to have books returned.

Last Thursday our kapa haka group welcomed, with a mihi whakatau, educators from the USA, University Redlands School of Education. We hosted the group of 19 for the morning. The visit focussed on the New Zealand curriculum in a primary school setting. We were very proud of our kapa haka group's amazing welcoming performance.

Paid Union Meeting - Tuesday 19 June. I strongly encourage parents to make arrangements to pick their child(ren) up from school by 12.45pm. If you are unable to, please advise us so that your children can be supervised at school until 3pm. I do appreciate this creates inconvenience for families. However, I encourage you to support the teachers as they strive to achieve changes which will safeguard quality education for all children and ensure we make teaching an attractive profession for graduates. We will be sending home a reminder about this closer to the time.

Finally, if you were the boss of education in New Zealand, what would you do? Have your say in the shaping of education for the future in New Zealand. Every New Zealander is asked to take part in on-line survey consultation and I encourage you to go to <https://conversation.education.govt.nz> to have your say! This is a fabulous opportunity to be involved in shaping our future!

Noho ora mai ra, Mark Brown
Principal - Tumuaki

IMPORTANT DATES:

- 12 June - F@NS Meeting
- 15 June - Matariki
- 19 June - Early pick up at 12.45pm - Union Meeting
- 19 June - Inter Zone Cross Country
- 28 June - Parent's Evening
- 5 July - New School Blessing
- 6 July - Last day of Term 2
- 23 July - Term 3 starts
- 25 July - New School walk through

SCHOOL TIMES:

School Starts 9.00am
Interval 11.00-11.20am
Lunch 12.45-1.45pm
School Finishes 3.00pm

UNION MEETING

The Teachers Union [NZEI] has called a Union Meeting for staff on the afternoon of **Tuesday 19th June**, and as good employers we are required to facilitate their attendance.

We ask that you collect children by **12:45pm** on Tuesday 19th June and make appropriate arrangements to ensure they are supervised.

Our school will provide supervision at school until 3pm for caregivers unable to collect their children at 12.45pm.

STUDY SUPPORT WILL NOT BE HELD.

ABSENCES

If your child is not going to be at school, please contact us as soon as possible.

Remember to include your child's name and teacher.

Phone: 04 389667

Text: 020 40175659

Email:

admin@newtown.school.nz

GOODBYE LAURA

We will be farewelling Waitangi teacher, Laura, at the end of Term 2.

She and her partner are moving back to Canada.

We wish Laura and her partner all the best for the big move. She will be missed here at Newtown School.



Parents and whānau all welcome at our next FANS meeting Tuesday 12 June 7.30pm in the staff room, where we will discuss plans for the opening of our new school building, and more.



CURRICULUM CORNER

By Nicki Read, Deputy Principal

Our Curriculum values at your dinner table...

We encourage our learners to be connected to each other. How will you know this is happening? Here are some great questions to ask your child:

- How were you kind today?
- Tell us what made you proud today?
- Tell me who encouraged you with your learning?

We love our learners to delight in finding out something new by being curious. How will you know this is happening? Here are some great questions to ask your child:

Tell me what you noticed today?
What did you hear or see today?
What are you wondering about?

We'd love to hear what they say. Pass it on to one of their teachers. Happy chatting!



SOUTHERN ZONE CROSS COUNTRY

Well done to all 36 athletes who competed at the Southern Zone Cross Country last week at Houghton Valley School. It was a wet, cold and windy day but the students represented Newtown School with pride and respect.

A massive congratulations to six athletes who will represent our school at the Inter Zone Cross Country! These athletes qualified within the top 10 for the Southern Zone, so will represent our zone at Inter Zone level.

These awesome runners are Portia Bennett, Annabelle Gittos, Rosa Spear, Georgia Gittos, Archie Murphy and Remi Forsyth.



MENZ SHED

Written by Ania Crawford

Newtown school was given the opportunity to pick four students to go and work at the menzshed for five weeks. We went every Monday and Friday afternoon with a man called Steve.



We were making a table together. First, we cut the table legs to the right shape. Then we each got a leg to sand.

When we finished sanding, we drilled two holes in each leg then we attached the legs together. After that we joined the legs onto the back part of the table. Then we did the first coat of varnish. On the second-to-last day we put the top part of the table on then we did the last coat of varnish. On the last day we put in the draw and put on the handles. This was a really good opportunity for us and a different type of learning to what we do at school. We learnt a lot of different words that we did not know before going there.

PORTRAITS OF TED THE GUINEA PIG | TUI



Rata children painted portraits of Ted the guinea pig, "Our big buddies from Pohutukawa helped us to paint."

SOLAR POEM

by Tristan Corveda-Jeffrey (2018)



lost lofty clouds flew far lower than the
moon
who was merely a tiny speck in the solar
system
navy blue shining background, white
specks of red scattered
around the blackest of black in the outside
the never ending always growing
sometimes glowing space
never a feel of wind
the smooth looking solar system
never an inch never a creep never a crawl
never a tweet
never a squeak never a roar never a living
thing you're able to see
the blue swirls you will never see

NEWTOWN CONNECTIONS

How do you travel around or through this area? Whether you walk, drive, cycle or catch the bus Wellington City Council would like to hear from you.

Engagement is open from 5 June – 17 July for Wellington City Council's project to make getting places by bike in Berhampore, Newtown and Mt Cook ('Newtown Connections') safer and easier. The Council wants to hear from people of all ages, from kids to great grandparents, and everyone in between.



Read more and submit your feedback here:

<https://www.transportprojects.org.nz/current/newtown-connections>

Click on 'view the details' and then scroll down to 'tell us what you think'.

FROM THE OFFICE

Spare Clothes

Winter is here and the playground is very wet. Please send a spare change of clothes in your Childs bag incase they get wet or muddy - we are having multiple accidents a day and don't have enough clothes, Especially Pants!!

Lost Property

We have a small mountain of clothing which has been found around the school.

There are lots of jackets, hoodies, shoes and togs.

Please help us return lost items by naming all of your child's clothing.

Recycle!

Remember to bring all your old oral care waste to the box in the office foyer. For every old toothbrush, toothpaste tube, floss container or oral care package, the school gets rewards from Terracycle.

Be a part of the solution to reduce the waste in our environment.

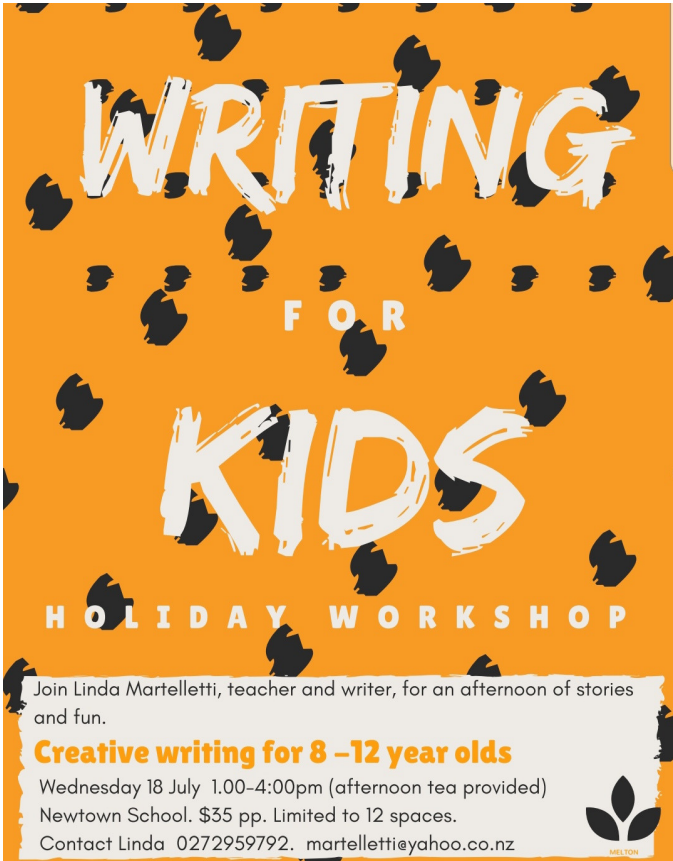


Are you able to help us on Monday mornings between 9:30 and 11am?

We need parent support to help us in the kitchen and the gardens to keep making this programme a success. No prior knowledge required, just a willingness to get involved.

Contact Tim - timc@newtown.school.nz.

**GARDEN
TO TABLE**  **GROW,
HARVEST,
PREPARE,
SHARE**



**WRITING
FOR
KIDS**

HOLIDAY WORKSHOP

Join Linda Martelletti, teacher and writer, for an afternoon of stories and fun.

Creative writing for 8 –12 year olds

Wednesday 18 July 1.00–4:00pm (afternoon tea provided)
Newtown School. \$35 pp. Limited to 12 spaces.
Contact Linda 0272959792. martelletti@yahoo.co.nz

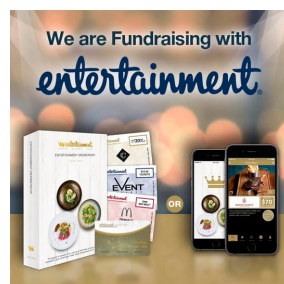
Entertainment Book

Newtown School is once again selling Entertainment Memberships as part of our fundraising.

We receive \$13 for each book or Digital Membership we sell, helping us to fundraise for our school.

So grab your copy now!

To order securely online go to
<https://www.entertainmentbook.co.nz/orderbooks/10p4934>



Go Piano teaches at Newtown School and offers excellent one-on-one piano tuition from beginners to those more advanced. They take lessons on Fridays during school hours and if you are interested in trying them out, Go Piano offer a free trial lesson to start with.

Contact Jonathan on 027 637 3764 or email info@gopiano.co.nz



If you are worried about your child's dental health please free-call 0800 TALK TEETH (825 583) to book an appointment



**PRIDE LANDS FUN HOLIDAY ADVENTURES
WINTER HOLIDAYS AT OTARI SCHOOL AND
BERHAMPORE SCHOOL**

- Dates: 9th – 20th July 2018 from 7.00am-7pm daily
- Fees: Daily \$81/cub per session or \$148 for two or more siblings per session; Weekly: \$239 per cub/week or \$449 for two or more siblings/week
- Discounts/Funding Available: Wild Card (15%) off across all our services
- MSD approval providing WINZ Subsidies for eligible families.
- Social Development: Interactive Activities and NO TV or Video Games Kai Cubs Cooking and Life Skills Programme designed to teach our children how to prepare
- Healthy Breakfast, Lunch and Afternoon Teas
- Qualified 1st Aid Trained Activities Coordinators
- One-on-One Care: Available for cub(s) if extra support is needed
- SHUTTLE SERVICES (with booster seats) AVAILABLE
- Please contact us: 0800 PRIDE 4 U Or Register online: www.pridelands.org.nz or Visit our Facebook page: www.facebook.com/PrideLandsChildcare



**South Wellington
Intermediate School**

Challenge • Engage • Inquire • Inspire

SWIS Year 7 Open Day / Information Evening

South Wellington Intermediate is holding their Year 7 Open day on Friday 31st August 9am-12pm and their Open Evening on Tuesday 4th September 6-7pm

**Marsden School Year 7 Information
Evening**

Samuel Marsden Collegiate School is holding their Year 7 Information

Evening on Wednesday 20 June at 7pm, Marsden School, Marsden Ave, Karori. This is for students and families considering a Year 7 Marsden education in 2019. To register please visit marsden.school.nz/experience



**SAMUEL
MARSDEN
COLLEGIATE SCHOOL**



Wellington Phoenix are running two holiday programmes during the July school holidays!

This is an opportunity to play your favourite game all day, develop your skills, make new friends and rub shoulders with members of the Wellington Phoenix Academy.

Thursday 12 – Friday 13 July, Memorial Park, Petone, 9am-3pm

Monday 16 – Tuesday 17 July, Wakefield Park, Island Bay, 9am-3pm

Includes coaching from Wellington Phoenix Academy Youth coaches, a Wellington Phoenix holiday programme t-shirt and a Wellington

Phoenix football.

Prices: \$150 / \$120 for Wellington Phoenix Members