



# Newtown School

Love learning, love life!

## WEEK 4 | TERM 3 | AUGUST 2018

Updates for the Friends and Whānau of Newtown School

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### WHATS INSIDE

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### IMPORTANT DATES

- 17 August - School Disco
- 21 & 22 August - Learning Conversations
- 28 & 29 August - School Photos
- 6 September - Parent Evening
- 12 September - Newtown Celebration Night
- 21 September - Quiz Night
- 28 September - Last day Term 3

### SCHOOL TIMES

School Starts 9.00am

Interval 11.00-11.20am

Lunch 12.45-1.45pm

School Finishes 3.00pm

### 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

### MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Kia ora

Thank you to all those parents that have registered for the learning conversations to be held next week. School interviews will be held in the afternoon and evening of 21 and 22 August. You are invited to register at [schoolinterviews.co.nz](http://schoolinterviews.co.nz) using the event code q7f93

Our students are excited about the school disco tonight. This morning, I walked into an amazing 'Underwater' scene in the hall. The F@NS parents have excelled themselves in the time, energy and creativity taken to transform the hall. It's going to be a fun night for the students.

Next week will see the opening of the new junior school playground. This has been designed for our 5-and-6-year-old students to enjoy. The school car park is due to be completed by the end of the month. The repairs to the Adventure Playground have been held up due to inclement weather.

The automatic doors on the Riddiford entrance are being reprogrammed to ensure the safety of all our students.

Currently, between 9am and 3pm, the doors are locked from the school courtyard side. We ask parents to use the Emmett or Mein Street entrance when exiting our school during these times. Access into school from Riddiford Street is still available. The doors are on auto open between 8am – 9am and 3pm to 3.30pm.

At times parents have concerns about their child at school. We like to deal with these issues promptly to ensure that all students are safe and have a positive learning experience at Newtown School. I encourage you to read page 2 of the newsletter, which gives the process if you wish to raise a concern.

All whānau are reminded about the school concert to be held 12th September at Wellington High School. Students and staff are busy rehearsing for the big night!

All our staff wish to congratulate Morgan, our Whānau Tui teacher, and his partner on the birth of their first child, Eden. A photo is included in the newsletter of the very happy family.

Noho ora mai ra, Mark Brown  
Principal – Tumuaki

# COMPLAINTS

The purpose of our complaints policy is to provide clear guidelines for the Newtown School community in raising and resolving concerns and complaints. We have procedures in place that we follow to ensure that complaints are handled appropriately. Most concerns can be resolved informally by discussions with the people concerned. The school also has a procedure for making a formal complaint if informal discussion doesn't resolve the issue.

## Guidelines for Parents with a Concern or Complaint

If you have a concern or complaint, contact the teacher involved and discuss the matter.

If the matter doesn't involve a particular teacher, or you do not wish to contact the teacher concerned, or you are unhappy with the outcome of meeting with the teacher, contact the principal, deputy or assistant principal.

If the matter has not been solved by visiting the staff member concerned, principal, deputy or assistant principal or it involves the principal or board of trustees, write to the chairperson of the board of trustees outlining the problem or concern in detail, including your name and contact details. Except in exceptional circumstances, the board of trustees will not accept any concern unless it is in writing and a reasonable attempt has been made to resolve it with the principal and the staff member concerned. If an informal meeting does not resolve your concern, you may need to make a formal complaint.

If you would like any further information about this process, please do not hesitate to contact the office or [admin@newtown.school.nz](mailto:admin@newtown.school.nz).

# NEWTOWN SCHOOL & THE COMMUNITY



## CONGRATULATIONS MORGAN !

A huge congratulations to Morgan and Kaylee on the arrival of their daughter, Eden. We wish you all the very best on your parenting journey.

## WELCOME TO NEWTOWN SCHOOL

A big, warm welcome to our new students this term

- Sina Punimata
- Harsimar Makkad

## HEADLICE

Headlice are going around school.

Please check your child/ren and treat them, if necessary.

Treatment is available through your GP, free of charge.



**WE ENCOURAGE  
STUDENTS TO  
DRINK MILK AND  
WATER ONLY  
AT NEWTOWN  
SCHOOL**

# SWIS ART SHOW

The show features artists with a connection to Wellington alongside student art. They are fundraising for tiered seating for a performance space.

Lots of great featured artists this year such as Max Patte, Ans Westra, Lisa Walker & John Drawbridge and lots of local artists too

**The event starts with a ticketed gala opening on 31st August from 7-9 tickets are \$22 including a complimentary drink, the show is also open during the day on 1st and 2nd September with free admission.**

We also have an opportunity to tour Max Patte's studio in Miramar the following day (Saturday 1st September 2-4) and see his work in progress for an additional \$15

Tickets can be bought via our facebook page or there are door sales too.

Our facebook page is here: <https://www.facebook.com/southwellingtonartshow/>

## NZEI STRIKE



## QUIZ NIGHT

**FRIDAY 21 SEPTEMBER, NEWTOWN SCHOOL HALL, 7PM**

Just a reminder that our Quiz Night is fast approaching and we already have a number of entries.

There will be incredible prizes for the winning team and spot prizes throughout the night.

There are limited spaces, so get in quick so you don't miss out on a fantastic evening.

We will be selling a range of food and beverages on the night at our cash bar.

Payment is now available on Kindo under "Events and Trips" with two different listings individual and team. Remember to drop your entry form into the office or email it to Diana ([dianac@newtown.school.nz](mailto:dianac@newtown.school.nz)). If you are unable to make it, but you would like to make a donation towards new learning tools for the school, that would be greatly appreciated.

**When: 7pm Friday 21st September**

**Where: Newtown School Hall**

**Why: to help raise money for new technology in our school (chromebooks and iPads).**

Team information: teams can be between 1 - 8 people and entry per team is \$80. If you want to come but you can't make a team we will put teams of 8 together. Individual entry for the quiz night is \$10.



# BRING A JAR

Newtown School will be organising a raffle over the next few weeks to help raise money for new technology in our school (chromebooks and iPads). These learning tools will be vital in helping our students access information and resources more readily, and add to our already creative curriculum.

Please support this initiative by bringing a jar filled with goodies. Here are some great examples of what you could fill the jar with - spices, vinegars, preserved food, sauces, sweets, homemade nut butters, coffee or tea, nuts, muesli/granola or make a cake (dry ingredients only.) Please make sure all items are non perishable.



## HARAKEKE | ART

*Harakeke have been busy this term making our new learning space represent our whānau and show who we are and what we stand for.*

We have made a class jigsaw puzzle to show that we are altogether now we fit together as one and work collaboratively as a whānau.



We have also make a display above our meeting space in which we did learning around the Harakeke plant and how it supports animals in its environment. The kids then got to choose an animal we studied and and we did artwork to show this.



Another display we are proud of is our circle art. This symbolises how we are all artists in different ways by showing different things that represent us in our circle. We then put them altogether to show we are one stream of creative artists.

*We hope you enjoy our displays we are very proud of.  
Feel free to come in and have a look yourself!*

*Curious Mahira | We wonder take risks and innovate*



# MUSIC LEARNING | BOOK NOW FOR TERM 3

Newtown School offers music lessons with qualified instructors. Please contact the providers directly



"The Ukulele Institute" (T.U.I.)

You can learn fancy strumming, finger picking and even some cool moves every Monday after school (3:15-4:00pm). The Ukulele Institute (T.U.I.) brings a load of Ukes and other cool percussive instruments. We'll learn some tunes, belt out some songs and prepare for some school and community concerts. \$5.00 a week (\$50 for 10 week term) and available to all ages...even mum or dad or grandma can join Uke Club. Ukes are supplied...but you'll want your own for the homework. Please contact the school office to sign up.

Dynamite Music Group Piano Lessons has spaces available.

Come along & try out a lesson for free. Parents welcome to pop in to say hello. In 5 weeks, beginners will learn to read music and to play four pirate songs (or similar) hands-together. Lessons are from 1.30 - 3pm at school on Wednesday afternoons. Keyboards are available to hire for \$5/week (please request on sign up). Cost of 5 weeks is \$60. For more information and to sign up, email: [simonjonesmusiclessons@gmail.com](mailto:simonjonesmusiclessons@gmail.com) or phone 027 3800 239



Guitar lessons available from qualified, experienced tutor. All styles and levels, acoustic and electric. Lessons are organised during the school day. Trinity Guildhall exam options. \$22 per half hour one on one lesson. Group lessons also offered. Julian Taylor (BMus) 022 364 2685 [crown.julz.24@gmail.com](mailto:crown.julz.24@gmail.com)

Go Piano offers individual piano lessons on Mondays and Fridays. The lessons include classical, pop and jazz styles and every term our students get to perform their music in concert for family and friends. Cost \$25 per lesson. Please visit [gopiano.co.nz](http://gopiano.co.nz) to find out more and sign up or email: [info@gopiano.co.nz](mailto:info@gopiano.co.nz)

GO PIANO

## 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>

**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 Wanwan : [wanwanl@newtown.school.nz](mailto:wanwanl@newtown.school.nz)



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# Disco Under the Sea

*Kanikani i raro i te moana*

**5-6pm: Junior / Teina**  
**6.15 - 7.30pm: Senior / Tuakana**

**Friday 17th August • School Hall • Gold coin koha**



Sushi Lunches - delivered every Friday. Place your order for Friday via [www.ezlunch.co.nz](http://www.ezlunch.co.nz). Orders are accepted up until 9.00am on a Friday morning. A full menu, prices and allergy information can be obtained via your ezlunch account.



### 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



Don't forget to keep collecting Yummy Stickers! The more we collect, the more new playground equipment we can get for the school. Once you fill up a sheet please hand it into the office. If you do not have a collection sheet please see your child's home class teacher.

## 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.

## NEWTOWN KINDERGARTEN



- Large outdoor area
- Trained and registered teachers
- 20 hours free
- Full year
- Session hours 8.30am - 2.30pm
- 3,4,5 days per week available for 3 and 4 year olds
- Visit us at 9 Hospital Road or call 04 389 8245

### Swimming lessons for all age groups and abilities (babies, toddlers, pre-schoolers, school age children and adults)

Since 2007 Aquazone has provided professional swim instruction by experienced coaches and instructors to all ages and abilities from babies to adults.

We operate all year including school holidays, from indoor heated pools in Newtown, Miramar, Kilbirnie and Freyberg.

Our program is structured to teach the ideal balance of swimming skills, water safety and water confidence in a safe and child friendly environment. Class sizes are kept small to ensure quality tuition.

Swimmers love our poster reward system that sets goals and acknowledges achievement by earning stickers. Swimmers progress from one key skill to the next through several different ability levels.

- ◆ Qualified & experienced instructors
- ◆ A structured skills & technique based program
- ◆ Small graded classes with individual attention
- ◆ Heated indoor pools at Newtown & Miramar schools
- ◆ Classes all year round (Mon-Fri between 3pm & 6pm – Sat/Sun 9am-2pm)
- ◆ Holiday programs

Book your place now at [www.aquazone.co.nz](http://www.aquazone.co.nz)

