

Updates for the Friends and Whānau of Newtown School Kia ora | خوش آمدید | Hola buenos días | malo e lelei | Goedemorgen | ようこそ | Talofa Lava | Bula | Hallo zusammen | Mingalaba | Sua's dei | Ciao | Kia Orana | Namaste | Chao mung | أهلا بك maligayang pagdating | soo dhaweyn | 歡迎 | Vanakam | خوشمديد | καλώς ορίσατε



Tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou katoa - warm greetings to you all.

One of the strengths and delights of Newtown School is the range of ways whānau are involved in showing support for our children. Every week we see conversations with teachers, help for trips, coins paid for trips, games in the playground, sports coaches, lunches made, parents patiently waiting after school, taking children to doctors appointments and laughing together... as well as much more. Our tamariki are fortunate to be cared for in many ways and they know that whānau and teachers together make a strong team for their learning and well being. Our kids know we care!

Sharing time together is one way to demonstrate the value we place on learning. We know this impacts children's learning.

Coming up are some ways we can share some time together.

- Matariki breakfast 7am Wednesday 26th June at school. Bring your own bowl and spoon.
- **Sports mini tourni** 9.30-11am Friday 28th June. Cooking sausages-talk to Hannah
- **Discovery afternoon** to share our learning-Wednesday 3rd July, 2-4pm.
- Performance assembly 9.30-11am Friday 5th July. Sound and music-talk to Gabrielle.

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IMPORTANT DATES

- 26 June Matariki Breakfast
- 27 June Get Prepared Event
- 28 June Whole school sports 9.30am-11.00am
- **5 July** Performance Assembly
- **5 July** Last day of Term 2
- 22 July First day of Term 3
- 13 / 14 August School Photos
- 6 September Onesie day
- 27 September-Last day of Term 3

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: 04 389 6667 Text: 020 40175659 Email: away@newtown.school.nz

SCHOOL TIMES

School Starts 9.00am Interval 11.00-11.20am Lunch 12.45-1.45pm School Finishes 3.00pm Another generous way to support our school is to be on the Board of Trustees. We have been fortunate to have committed, talented, thoughtful and caring members on our Board for the last 3 years. Julie Bennett, Jasmine Gilbert, Miriam Swanson, Victoria Esson, Lucy Kebbell and Annette Gittos, we thank you for your input into making Newtown the best school it can be.

We are pleased to welcome a new Board of Trustees after our recent elections. Our first meeting next week outlines exactly what governance is and how could we use skills, ideas and energy to build on what has gone before.

If teachers are looking a little more tired than usual, give them encouragement, as they take time to write reports on every person in our school. These are written with care and thought and is one way we try to communicate some aspects of your child's learning. They will be sent home on Monday 1st July. Watch out for them in bags.

In order to be inspired to keep learning, remember to encourage others, offer support and celebrate the progress. Remember to notice those who are supporting others, especially our children. These actions make a difference to those around them.

> Noho ora mai ra, Nicki Read Acting Principal – Tumuaki

"Waiho i te toipoto, kaua i te toiroa" Let us keep close together, not far apart. Anything is possible when you have the right people there to support you.



WELCOME TO NEWTOWN SCHOOL

A big warm welcome our new students and their families.

- Chris Lealofi
- Kraytos Petronia-Samuel

Brakfas Wednesday 26 June 7am Meet in the school hall

Shared Breakfast - please bring your own plates/cutlery

- Storytelling
- Planting
- Matariki Star Art
- Tã Moko Station

Te Kura o Ngā Puna Waiora **Newrtowm School** Love learning, love life!

Resilient Aumangea | We keep trying and learn from what we do

CURRICULUM CORNER

At Newtown School we believe every child is creative. One of the ways this can be drawn out and expressed is by engaging students in Drama, Music, Dance and Visual Art. Art enables children to improve creative thinking by using their imaginations, thinking outside the box and connecting their feelings and senses in a tangible way.

To encourage our love of the Arts this year we have: Performance Assembly

This year we have started having Performance Assemblies at the end of each term. This is to foster a love of performing in front of an audience and showcase the many wonderful talents we have. It also builds confidence and resilience as they navigate ways of growing their talents.

Music

We have restarted our School Band. Every Monday lunchtime they meet with Julian, one of our guitar teachers. They will be performing Week 10 at our Performance Assembly. Our musicians:

Twist - Keys, Mele Tonga - Vocals, Clement - Drums/ Vocals, Hadi - Percussion and Vocals, Ava- Bass and Kairo - Guitar



Dance

Newtown School is rich in cultural diversity. Dance is an amazing tool to deepen our awareness and understanding to help us celebrate the diverse cultures we have. A group of 60 kids from Pohutukawa and Waitangi are creating a dance to showcase some of our cultures we have at Newtown School. This will be performed at Art Splash- Dance at the Michael Fowler centre near the end of term 3.

We are glad to welcome Liz Mechoir, a dance Lecturer at Victoria University to teach each class choreography and help us create movements to show our Term 3 inquiry big idea.

PAPER FOR TREES

Last week we recieved our tree delivery from Paper For Trees of 14 native trees. This is based on our paper recycling volume from last year. We will plant these trees as part of our Matariki Celebration next week.



KNITTING CRAZE

There is a knitting craze in Waitangi! Do you have any odds and ends of of wool, knitting needles or crochet hooks you would like to donate to the Waitangi Knitting club? See Louise in Waitangi if you do.

Curious Mahira | We wonder take risks and innovate



"Te toi whakairo, ka ihiihi, ka wehiwehi, ka aweawe te ao katoa." Artistic excellence makes the world sit up in wonder.

INTERZONE CROSS COUNTRY

Congratulations to our inter-zone cross country runners. They all ran really well on Tuesday and gave it their very best while competing against schools from all over Wellington.

- Annabelle Gittos
- Rosa Spear
- Sage Ward
- Archie Murphy
- Jamie Ihmaera-Pritchard
- Lakshena Kamaraj
- Maddie Wellington
- Leo Kennedy

Lakshena has made it to the next stage and will run at regionals on Tuesday the 2nd of July. We wish her luck!

SCHOOL LIBRARY BOOKS

The end of Term 2 is fast approaching. Please check your child/ren's bags and around home for any school library books. These can be returned to the school office.



TE AO MÃORI

It is exciting to share with you our journey in learning one of our national languages. Each fortnight we will share some aspect of our Te Ao Māori programme. We have been learning a new chant with Matua Henare during our Monday kapa haka sessions - here are the words and translation:

Ka tahi tī, ka rua tī Ka haramai te patitore Ka rauna, ka rauna Ka noho te kiwi kiwi He pō, he wai, takitaki Nō pī, nō pā, kahuia mai Kai ana te whetū Kai ana te marama Ko te tio rere i runga rā papa Kōtore wīwī wāwā Heke, heke te manu Ki tōna Tauranga Tihei mauri ora! One fantail, two fantails Arrive and gather In the undergrowth The kiwi kiwi settles Soothing sounds Come from all around The stars look out The moon keeps watch A cry rings out up high Chirping carping The bird descends To its resting place Tihei mauri ora

This traditional chant isn't easily translated, because it is symbolic and metaphorical. The chant speaks about the harmony of the stars and the sea, and it includes the message that one must be diligent to succeed. The translation used above is only a guide.

NEWTOWN SCHOOL & THE COMMUNITY

ENVIRO CREW FUNDRAISER

The Newtown School Enviro Crew is still selling these produce bags and these can now be purchased through the school office. If you are after worm wee please email wanwanl@newtown.school.nz to arrange.



Newtown School Fundraiser PRODUCE BAGS

- ditch plastic bags
- · cotton mesh, breathable
- all profits to Newtown School

Medium (20 *30cm) \$3.50c Large (30*40cm) \$4.50c

There's no excuse for single use!



LOST PROPERTY

We again have a lot of unnamed lost property building up. Please name all of your child's clothes. We have pens in the office available for you to use if you need them.

We often have the lost property out at the end of school. Please check it for items you haven't realised are missing

HEADLICE

Please check your child/ren's hair for headlice. We have headlice going around school. You can get prescription treatment free from your GP.Please treat if your child does have them. For more information on how to do so please come and see us in the office for a brochure or search online.

TERRACYCLE

Terracycle is back up and running. Please bring in your oral care waste so we can recycle it and collect points! The drop off box is in the office foyer. Thank you.

If you would like to read more about Terracycle please read here https://www.terracycle.com/en-NZ/brigades/oral-care-brigade



CITY MISSION BROWN PAPER BAG APPEAL

For many people and families across Wellington, the cold weather and increased costs that come during winter can be devastating. This year Newtown School is supporting the City Mission's Winter Appeal with our own Brown Paper Bag collection.

All next week (24 - 28 June) there will be special City Mission Brown Paper Bags in each whanau, and in the school office. If you are able to, please bring in a food or other item from the Mission's 'most-needed' list to go in the bags.

Thank you for helping the City Mission and our Wellington whanau.

OUR MOST NEEDED ITEMS:

Muesli Bars Biscuits Peanut Butter Marmite/Vegemite Jam Sugar and milk powder Canned fish/meat Tinned fruit Tinned Vegetables Tinned and Packet soup Pasta sauces Rice 2 Minute Noodles Body wash Deodorant

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BAKE AND GOODS SALE

The Newtown School siblings of the SWIS Waterpolo team are excited their older brother or sister is heading off to the AIMS Games national sports event in Tauranga in September. They want to support the team by running a **Bake and Goods Sale at Newtown School at 3.00pm, Wednesday, 3 July.**

AIMS GAMES is a sporting championships that gives 11, 12 and 13 year olds an opportunity to compete nationally against the best of their age in 23 different sports. 9 of the 11 SWIS Waterpolo players off to AIMS Games are former Newtown School students. The team needs to raise nearly \$8,000 for the event. Please come and support our wider Newtown School community and buy something yummy for afternoon tea and other goods such as books and quality second hand goods.

So how come such a huge number of former Newtown School students will represent SWIS in the AIMS Games Waterpolo team? It all started here at Newtown School with enthusiastic students and awesome parents, namely Dean Murphy, Langi Mitipelo and Martin Rooke who have coached Newtown School's mini polo teams (the precursor to waterpolo) great technique and teamwork. We are fortunate to have a school pool for our students – a perfect breeding ground for water sports. We celebrate and encourage students at Newtown School to give different things a go and families are supporting their children in their pursuit of sport – Kia Kaha.

Connected Whanaungatanga | We belong and we learn together







What would you do if an earthquake happened now? PLAN & PREPARE INFORMATION SESSION

Newtown



Thursday 27 June 5:30pm-6:45pm

Newtown School Mein St, Newtown

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Understand the hazards we face in the Wellington region

Learn about the potential impacts and how you, your family and community can respond together

For more information contact Emergency Management Advisor ana.faatoia@wremo.nz Free entry

COMMUNITY

EMERGENCY

HUB

Light meal served from 5:30pm, session will begin at 5:45pm

