



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

WEEK 6 | TERM 3 | AUGUST 2019

Updates for the Friends and Whānau of Newtown School

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Mark's Kōrero

Tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou katoa

Wow, week 6 already and it's hard to believe we are halfway through the term. It's always a positive feeling knowing that we are coming out of winter and heading towards spring.

Thank you to parents and whānau who attended the learning conversations last week. Our teachers enjoyed the opportunity to meet with you and your child to discuss their learning journey and pathways. One of the most significant factors in student achievement is the involvement of parents in the education of their child. Taking an active interest, supporting them with next learning steps and the challenges they face, cannot be understated.

Congratulations to our very successful swim team who participated in the southern zone interschool sports. Three of our relay teams won their age group categories.

Newtown School supports and encourages a healthy eating environment and culture at and for our school, student, parent and staff community. Our Newtown School Healthy Food and Nutrition Policy reminds us all that, lollies and sweet drinks are not allowed at our school.

This week we farewelled a retiring staff member, Jill Forbes. She has loyally served our school for the last 26 years. In this time she has undertaken valuable roles i.e teacher's aide, librarian and more recently our school accounts clerk. We will still see

WHATS INSIDE

- Onesie day!
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IMPORTANT DATES

- 6 September - Onesie day
- 13 September - Culture Day Celebration
- 18 September- Dance Splash
- 27 September-Last day of Term 3
- Monday 14th October - First day of term 4
- Wednesday 18th December - Last day of Term 4

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

Whānangatanga - Connected

He iwi tahi tātou, he ako tāhi tātou. We belong and we learn together.

Jill around our school, as a volunteer. Jill is travelling to Europe in the next two weeks to enjoy two of her passions, adventurous travel and watching professional cycling! Do well Jill.

At our recent Board of Trustees meeting the term dates for 2020 were decided in accordance with Ministry of Education direction. The 2020 school year for Newtown School begins Monday 3 February and ends Tuesday 15 December (for full year term times see article in newsletter).

Welcome to our new New Entrant children and their families, who started this week in Whānau Tui. If you have a 4-year-old who turns 5 between September and mid-December and are yet to fill in an enrolment form, can you please contact the office as soon as possible? On a similar note, we are starting to look at our roll numbers for 2020. As I'm sure you are aware, the number of children we have in the school determines the number of classes in each whanau teaching team. If your child/ren are currently in Year 1-5 and you know that they will not be attending Newtown in 2020, please let the office know via phone or email (admin@newtown.school.nz)? In the same way if you have a child, who will turn 5 from mid-December through until June 2020, please fill in an enrolment form (available from the office or online) as soon as possible.

Noho ora mai ra, Mark Brown
Principal - Tumuaiki

SCHOOL TERM'S 2020

TERM 1 | Monday 3 February - Thursday 9 April

TERM 2 | Tuesday 28 April - Friday 3 July

TERM 3 | Monday 20 July - Friday 25 September

TERM 4 | Monday 12 October - Tuesday 15 December

POLICY SPOTLIGHT

Did you know that Newtown School has a Healthy Food and Nutrition Policy?
Healthy food and drink choices can greatly improve children's health and help their learning at school. For this reason lollies, chocolate and the like are not allowed to be given out or shared in class. The Board of Trustees are pleased with the steps Newtown School staff are taking to actively support this policy.

MESSAGE FROM THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Kia ora koutou

The Board of Trustees met this week and were pleased to have a parent in attendance to listen to the Board deliberations and contribute her thoughts - thank you Kim.

Now that the minutes for our July meeting have been confirmed as final, you can find them on the school website at: <http://www.newtown.school.nz/wp-content/uploads/2019/08/BOT-minutes-24-July-2019.pdf>. Our next meeting is on Wednesday 25 September and the agenda for the meeting will be displayed on the school office door from Monday 23 September. We welcome members of the community to attend.

If you have any questions please continue to email us at bot@newtown.school.nz

Nga mihi
Jess Gorman Chairperson

Kia Manahau - Resilient
E hia hingahinga, katū tonu, ka ako tonu. We keep trying and learn from what we do

WELCOME TO NEWTOWN SCHOOL

A big warm welcome our new students and their families.

- Abdirahman Mohamed
- Kington Coe-Rickus
- Jacen Lee
- Rania Abdulgader
- Honey O'Brein-Lewis



CURRICULUM CORNER

Written By: Nicki Read | Deputy Principal

Inspiration to Learn...

Each day at school for your child is made up of being inspired, directed and challenged. It's not surprising they come home tired, hungry and ready to play or relax!

Throughout their day they write, run, process their ideas, build on what they know, ask questions, negotiate and more. Many of our learners communicate in more than one language, learn with more than one teacher and face more than one challenge.

Thanks for being supportive of your children doing the best they can everyday. We continue to be the strongest team by joining together to achieve our vision for our tamariki.

‘Together we inspire and nurture our learners so they contribute and thrive in our world’

Remember to take time each day to:

- listen
- delight in the stories they tell
- help understand the friends they are caring for.
- praise them for another day of giving their best
- let them rest and play

‘Mauri tū, mauri ora’

‘An active soul is a healthy soul’

TE AO MĀORI

Kia ora Whānau

Coming up on 9 September is our nation-wide Māori Language Week. We are excited about the opportunity to celebrate Te Reo - one of our national languages. We are planning lots of great activities to mark this week - you can check out some great resources at this link: <https://tetaurawhiri.govt.nz/en/online-resources/>

We will be kicking off the week with a Cultural Day celebration - on Monday 9th September - we would love tamariki to come to school wearing their cultural clothing, bringing food for a shared kai morning tea, and ready for a day of celebration. We will be kicking off the day with a school-wide Kapahaka session and some performances - we would love to see you there. Join us in the hall at 9.15am.

There will also be an opportunity for those whānau who would like their tamariki to join in the Wellington Hikoi for Te Reo Māori - more information will be coming your way soon.

NEWTOWN SCHOOL & THE COMMUNITY

VOLUNTARY DONATIONS

Thank you to all those families who have paid voluntary donations for 2019. These donation help to provide things such as:

- Sports equipment
- Library books
- Environment studies
- Playground equipment
- Musical instruments and lessons
- Kapa haka
- And more...

Your donation is much appreciated by the Board of Trustees.

If you would like to make a donation, you can pay by eftpos or cash at the office or on kindo.co.nz

Kia whakapau kaha - Effort

Ka whakapua i ō tātou kaha i ā tātou mahi katoa. We give our best in everything we do.

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Teaching is only demonstrating that it is possible. Learning is making it possible for yourself.

PAULO COELHO

THANK YOU TO ALL THE FAMILIES WHO ATTENDED LEARNING CONVERSATIONS LAST WEEK. WE HAD AN EXCEPTIONAL TURN OUT.

ONESIE DAY

We will be supporting Onesie day next Friday and encourage all the children to come to school in their onesie or Pj's for the day and bring a gold coin to support Wellington Free Ambulance.

ONESIE DAY

6 SEPT

Text ONES to 2489 to donate \$3
or go to wfa.org.nz/donate



ENTERTAINMENT BOOK

With Father's Day coming you can get a great gift and support this Newtown School fundraiser!

An Entertainment Book is more exciting than socks, can fit neatly in Dad's smartphone and has great offers for dining, movies, activities and travel - all the things he loves to do with you. For digital memberships go to: <https://www.entertainmentbook.co.nz/orderbooks/10p4934> OR pop into the office to pick up the book!



DO YOU HAVE A RENTAL PROPERTY AVAILABLE?

Our wonderful caretaker Michelle, and her son, are looking for a 2 bedroom rental property in the Wellington area. Do you have a property available to rent? Please contact us in the school office on 043896667 or email melissak@newtown.school.nz if you think you may be able to help.

STUDENT BELONGINGS

If your child happens to bring home any property from school that isn't theirs and may be another students or the schools could you please return it. You can do this anonymously if you would prefer by dropping it into our school letterbox or leaving it in the office.

REMINDER

Please avoid coming down Emmett St and using St Annes to turn around. It is a private driveway and not safe for the children. Our school carpark is also not to be used for dropping off and picking up children please.

LOST PROPERTY

Please check our Lost Property for any clothes that your child may be missing. We have a vast amount of clothing which isn't named and we are unable to return to the rightful owners.

Kia Manaaki - Respectful

Ka whakamana tātou id ngā rongo o te katoa. We value the thoughts and feelings of each other.

JOB OPPORTUNITY

2 x Part-time Roles – Wellington Hockey (based on 20 hours per week with flexible working arrangements negotiable)

- **1 x Accounts Administrator**
- **1 x Administration Officer**

This is an exciting opportunity to work within an innovative and evolving sports organisation in Wellington. Wellington Hockey has a vision of inspiring a life-long love of hockey, and making great hockey happen. If you are experienced at working in a busy office environment, are well organised and like being part of a passionate and energetic team, then this could be for you.

Hockey Wellington is based at the National Hockey Stadium in Berhampore, Wellington where we support a wide range of hockey activities across the region which aim to take hockey participation opportunities right across the community, and to also support our talented athletes to reach their full potential. There are 2 positions we need to fill. Accounts role will require a strong background in financial accounts and payroll, excellent administration and organisational skills along with a strong customer service background and the Admin role require the same qualities without the financial element. These roles deal with a wide range of people within our community and large volunteer base.

For more information or for a copy of the job description please e-mail recruit@wellingtonhockey.org.nz. To apply for this position please e-mail a brief cover letter and CV to recruit@wellingtonhockey.org.nz

Applicants must be legally entitled to work in New Zealand upon applying.
Applications close at 5.00pm on Monday 9 September 2019.

HEALTHY CHOICES



PACKING SNACKS FOR SCHOOL SPORT COMPETITIONS



Nutritious food and plenty of water provides the right fuel for a good performance at school sport competitions. Plan to fuel up before, during and after the competition.

Ideas for snacks to bring on the day – high in good quality carbohydrate and protein:

- ♥ Have a filling breakfast 2 - 4 hours before the event, which should include good quality carbohydrate and protein foods.
- ♥ Have a light snack 1-2 hours before the event – eating too close to the event may cause a stomach upset!
- ♥ Be prepared! Pack nutritious snacks, like nuts and fruit to avoid having to buy food at the event.
- ♥ Store snacks like yoghurt, cheese and milk at safe temperatures. Bring a cooler bag with a frozen bottle of water to keep cold foods chilled.
- ♥ To support recovery after an game the best foods are a good source of carbohydrate and protein like a filled sandwich or sushi.
- ♥ Drink plenty of plain water before, during and after the tournament. Keep a chilled water bottle at the side line.



For more information, visit: heartfoundation.org.nz

Kia Ngākau Hihiri - Curious

Ka mīharo, ka tūpono, ka auaha tātou. We wonder, take risks and innovate.