

WEEK 8 | TERM 3 | SEPTEMBER 2019

Updates for the Friends and Whānau of Newtown School

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Kia ora koutou te whānau - Kia kaha te Reo Māori Dear whānau and caregivers – Let's make the Māori language strong

This week has been, Te wiki o te reo Māori – Māori Language Week, which has been celebrated in New Zealand since 1975. It acknowledges and celebrates the Māori language as a unique cultural treasure for all New Zealanders. Each year the Māori Language Commission sets a theme for the week, and a range of activities, promotions, and events encouraging the use of te reo Māori take place around the country. This year the theme is 'Kia kaha te Reo Māori'. 'Kia Kaha' is well understood in New Zealand English with its meaning of 'be strong'. We often talk about languages as if they are people – talking about language health, strength and revitalisation. So, when we say 'Kia Kaha te Reo Māori' we're saying - 'Let's make the Māori language strong'. Te Wiki o te Reo Māori provides an opportunity to celebrate and learn te reo Māori, helping to secure its future as a living, dynamic, and rich language. If you are interested in following this theme further, I encourage you to look at the Te Wiki o te Reo Māori website https://www.tewikiotereomaori.co.nz/about/

Week 8 has been an extremely active time, every day has been infused with our schools rich cultural diversity and celebrations. At our cultural assembly on Monday our kapa haka group performed their waiata and haka with pride. Our large group of tamariki celebrated a term of practising new waiata - Tino pai e tamariki for being amazing . Our Samoan group were awesome, while the taiaha boys gave a confident skillful display.

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IMPORTANT DATES

- 18 September Dance Splash
- 27 September-Last day of Term 3
- Monday 14th October First day
- Monday 28th October Labour
 Day School is closed.
- Tuesday 15th October Out of Zone Enrolments for Year 1, 2020 close
- Wednesday 18th December Last doy 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.



he school Dance Splash group are performing at the Michael Fowler Centre next week in a regional Dance Festival. During Monday's assembly, the performers showed us snippets of their entry, including aspects of Indian, Samaon and Māori cultural dance and movement. This incredible show was thoroughly enjoyed by both our students and staff. I wish to acknowledge and thank Gabrielle, Nina and Amy along with Maraea for their sterling coaching and encouragement given to the 60+ students. These students will experience a event they will cherish forever!

Other activities this week tamariki have participated include cricket coaching, Project Energize Maori games and the Hikoi held in the central city. Netballers participated in a tournament at ASB while our swim team successfully competed at the Wellington Interzone Swimming sports. Congratulations to Annabelle Gittos for her 1st place in the 25m freestyle, Molly Shallcrass for her 2nd placing in the 25m backstroke, while the Year 5 girls included were placed 3rd in their relay.

Today, fifty Year 5 and 6 students are joining in with other road patrol wardens from around our region, in an event called 'The Orange Day Parade'. This celebrates the amazing voluntary work these students do to keep our students safe while crossing the intersection close to school.

Please remember to keep the morning of Friday 27th September 9.15am - 10.30am free to listen and appreciate the talent of our students again at the end of term, Performance Assembly.

Noho ora mai ra, Mark Brown

Principal – Tumuaki

MESSAGE FROM THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Kia Ora e te whanau

The Board is aware of concerns about traffic safety for children walking to and from school in Newtown. We are planning to speak to the local body candidates about what can be done to improve traffic safety in Newtown. If you or your children have experienced traffic safety concerns in the past, we would like to hear from you so that we have examples to share with the local body candidates. Please get in touch by email: bot@newtown.school.nz

At the Board's 23rd October meeting at 6.30pm in the school staffroom, we will be discussing the strategic and annual plan for Newtown School. Everyone is welcome to come along to that meeting to listen and contribute to the discussion. If you have any areas of focus that you would like the Board to consider, please email us at bot@newtown.school.nz

Nga mihi Jess Gorman BOT Chairperson

WELCOME TO NEWTOWN SCHOOL

A big warm welcome our new students and their families.

- Zachariah Anthony
- Zoeya Ali
- Māreikura Pukeke-Pine
- Akira Haeata
- Lisa Li



LIBRARY BOOKS

Please have a look around at home for any school library books. You can either post them in our school letterbox, next to our hall or drop them into the school office.

OUT OF ZONE ENROLMENTS

The board invites applications for Year 1 students to attend Newtown School - Te Kura o Ngā Puna Waiora in 2020.

The deadline for applications for out of zone places is 5pm on 15 October 2019. The board has determined 10 places may be available for out of zone students at Year 1 only.

Parents of students within the home zone should also enrol by this date to assist the school with planning. Enrolment at the school is governed by an enrolment scheme. Enrolment scheme information and forms can be found at http://www.newtown.school.nz/enrolment/ or can be collected from the school office.

If the number of out of zone applications exceeds the number of places available, students will be selected by ballot. If a ballot is required it will be held on 18 October 2019.



HEALTH AT NEWTOWN SCHOOL

MEASLES:

From 1 January 2019 to 11 September 2019 there have been 1172 confirmed cases of measles notified across New Zealand. Auckland has the highest number of cases currently.

Symptoms

The symptoms of measles include:

- Fever
- Cough
- · Runny nose
- · Sore and watery 'pink eyes'
- Rash



If you catch measles, you can infect others from five days before the rash appears until five days after the rash disappears. The virus is highly contagious and spreads easily from person to person through the air. If you or a family member suspect you have measles you should stay at home and call your doctor or Healthline on 0800 611 116. If you have measles, it's really important to limit spreading it to others, so avoid waiting rooms and please **stay at home**.

TUMMY BUGS

Gastro (tummy bugs) can spread like wildfire through a school as it is easily passed from person to person. If your child has gastro, please keep them off school for **at least 48 hours after** the last episode of diarrhoea or vomiting. We know this is a long time but it helps protect the whole community.

HEADLICE

Headlice is a common and constant health issue in schools. Lice travel easily from head to head. Having lice has nothing to do with hygiene – anyone can get them!

Did you know that treatment doesn't have to cost the earth? Cheap hair conditioner (along with commitment and patience) can work just as well as expensive treatments. For full instructions on how to use conditioner as a lice treatment go to https://www.kidshealth.org.nz/how-get-rid-head-lice

ONESIE DAY

Thank you to everyone who got involved and brought a gold coin to support Wellington Free Ambulance on Onesie day.

As a school we raised \$286.60





Kia whakapau kaha - Effort

NEWTOWN SCHOOL & THE COMMUNITY

VOLUNTARY DONATIONS

Thank you to all those families who have paid volunatry 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

ENTERTAINMENT BOOK

We still have books for sale in the office or for digital memberships go to: https://www.entertainmentbook.co.nz/orderbooks/10p4934OR pop into the office to pick up the book!

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 - CARPARKING

Please avoid coming down Emmett St and using St Annes to turn around. It is a private driveway and not safe for the children who walk and scooter through there.

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. We also have a selection of watches and jewellery which havent been claimed in the school office.

CURRICULUM CORNER

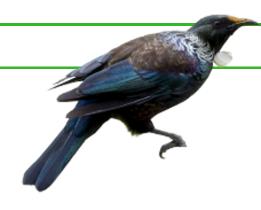
Written By: Nicki Read | Deputy Principal

Facing learning challenge-do you?

Your children are faced daily with challenges and experiences they may not have had before, designed to stretch them beyond what they already know. We create opportunities that positively challenge them. Be the one proud of what your tamariki learn.

A number of teachers and parents from Newtown have been meeting weekly since February to learn Te Reo Māori...it's hard work! Being challenged with new thinking, taking risks, making mistakes and being asked exactly what our learners are every day, reminds us of the encouragement we need to try harder, and to continue to learn.Be the one to learn something new.







Te Kura o Ngā Puna Waiora

Take up the challenge, whatever your age, to continue to learn with joy, perseverance and a bit of bravery. Be reminded that everyone needs encouragement to keep learning. Be the one that encourages others.

We present your children with big purpose...In Maths we challenge them to estimate, to make numbers make sense, to understand what they see, to bring all they know to every Maths context. Be the one that notices. We present your children with big purpose...In Inquiry we challenge them to wonder, to ask questions, to discover the world and to share their thoughts and dreams. Be the one that asks. We present your children with big purpose...In Literacy we challenge them to make meaning, to think, to communicate. Be the one that delights and shares.

Mai i te Kõpae ki te Urupa, tātou ako tonu ai. From the cradle to the grave we are forever learning.

Be the one!

TE AO MĀORI

He waka eke noa - A canoe which we are all in with no exception - We are all in this together.

What a fabulous event on Monday as we celebrated our cultural diversity and launched Te Wiki o Te Reo Māori - Māori Language Week.

We are so proud of our tamariki as they performed at our cultural celebrations. Our kapahaka group started the morning with a strong performance. The boys have been learning to use taiaha with Matua Gregory gave a fantastic demonstration of Mau Rākau. A huge shout out to our Dance Splash students, who have been working hard all term - great to see these students exploring different cultural dances from India, the Pacific Islands and Aotearoa, and combining these with some hip-hop moves!



We took two bus loads of tamarki into the city to participate in the Fikor (Parade) that was full by Te Taura Whill The Reo Māori (Māori Language Commission). We were part of the 20,000 strong crowd and had a great time walking through the streets of our city to celebrate Te Reo Māori. If you check out Māori television's coverage of the event, our students are in some of the shots! In case you missed it - here are some photos that showcase the hikoi.



Thank you to all our whanau for supporting these events, especially those who gave their time to come along on the day - we appreciate you!



We would like to invite you all to view your school photos at Inspire Photography's new online ordering site. This gallery and ordering system is live and working as of now. This gallery will close at midnight on the Wednesday 18th September 2019 and orders placed before the gallery closes will be dropped off at your school by the 14.10.19. Orders to be posted will be processed at the same time as the prints that are to be returned to the school. Digital files are purchased as is and retouching requests may incur fees.

Anyone wishing to place an order after this date will need to contact our studio on 043848009 as reactivation, postage and packing fees may also apply.

To view your photographs:

- 1. Go to our website at https://www.inspirephotocart.co.nz
- 2. Enter this access code in the box: taonga625

For detailed instructions on how to order go here: https://www.inspirephotography.co.nz/ordering2019.html

If you require an alternative method of ordering, have any questions or are having problems ordering, then please feel free to call or email us, or chat to Melissa at the school office. The more questions we receive the better we become at informing parents about this process.

WOMEN'S CYCLING WORKSHOPS

for migrant, former refugee, or low income women and their friends

Newfown, Wellington

DATES: Saturday, 10 August, 14 September, 12 October, & 9 November 2019

TIME: 10am - 12noon

LOCATION:

Mechanical Tempest workshop, 230 Riddiford St, Newtown, Wellington

COST: Free - attend one or all four!

Bikes and helmets provided if required.

Activities for kids provided.

RSVP preferred - contact ReBicycle EkeRua - rebicyclewgtn@gmail.com

