

WEEK 10 | TERM 3 | SEPTEMBER 2019

Updates for the Friends and Whānau of Newtown School

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Kia ora koutou te whānau

For me, Term 3 has been full of exciting learning opportunities including Dance Splash, Culture Day, Market Day, along with the many education outside the classroom trips and activities and numerous sporting events. Seeing our tamariki's faces and observing the learning that took place were certainly highlights. Staff are already busy planning rich learning opportunities for Term 4.

Congratulations Whānau Waitangi creating an amazing 'Market Day'. Students planned, organised and created a wide range of interesting, tasty and colourful activities to entertain and feed all students. All money raised will go towards the 2020 Year 6 camp. Market Day is now a well established tradition in our school that helps make school camp affordable for whānau. The profit of over \$2000.00 now goes towards paying for the camp accommodation.

Term 4 starts on Monday 14th October and runs right up until Wednesday 18th December. A reminder to all parents that our tamariki must have their school hats at school every day in Term 4. If you need a school hat for your child, please purchase one at the school office.

At our Monday assembly, our school netball teams were presented with certificates and trophies which recognised their skills improvement and team success. I'd like to once again acknowledge the fantastic commitment that volunteers have offered with their teams, to encourage active participation, skill development and the love of playing with peers. Tinopai Leanne, Sarah, Pippa, Billie, Maddie and Renee.

WHATS INSIDE

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IMPORTANT DATES

- 27 September-Last day of Term
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- Monday 14th October First day of Term 4
- 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.

I'd like to congratulate two further students who participated at the regional school interzone swimming sports. Archie Murphy (Year 5) was 2nd in the 25m freestyle and 25m in backstroke and 3rd in 50m freestyle. Lucy Nair (Year 6) came 2nd in the 50m freestyle. Congratuations!

I wish all whānau and staff a relaxing and safe school holiday.

Ng**ā** mihi nui - Mark Brown, Principal - Tumuaki

ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS

We still have books for sale in the office or for digital memberships go to:

https://www.entertainmentbook.co.nz/orderbooks/1 0p4934

Lots of great entertainment for the school holidays!



SCHOOL DISCO 2019

Save the Date – Friday 8 November 2019

We want to make this a fantastic event for our kids but we can't do it without your help! Tasks include making decorations (throughout the week), decorating the hall (Thurs 7th) and helping out on the night.

Please contact Lucy on lucyjkebbell@gmail.com or text 0275490496 to sign up.

SOCIAL ACTION PROJECT

Year 10 students from Queen Margaret College have been doing a social action project.

Newtown School was lucky enough to receive these wonderful bags of goodies donated for students at our school.



READING BOOKS

Please have a look around at home for any school reading 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.



NEWTOWN SCHOOL & THE COMMUNITY

KIDS WRITE | NEWTOWN SCHOOL MAGAZINE

A journal publishing awesome writers and artists at Newtown

Hard copies are available from the school office for a gold coin donation. Email lindam@newtown.school.nz or sams@newtown.school.nz if you would like a pdf version.



DANCE SPLASH





Last week Newtown School participated in ArtSplash Dance.

ArtSplash Dance is an incredible opportunity where schools from all over Wellington have the chance to perform a dance production at the Michael Fowler Centre.

Newtown School had a group of over 60 students performing. The students have been outstanding and have shown commitment and resilience by attending multiple practises throughout the week over the last two terms. It has been an absolute pleasure teaching dance with this wonderful group of students who are natural performers and showed incredible enthusiasm.

Newtown School celebrated our unique diversity by representing some of our cultures we have in our school. We were lucky enough to be able to have expertise from our community to help with the different cultural dances. The students had so much fun and this was evident on stage as they performed with beaming smiles and confidence.

We were incredibly proud of their hard work and had wonderful feedback on the night! CURRICULUM CORNER

Written By: Nicki Read | Deputy Principal

Lots to Celebrate!

We all play a vital role in building a positive culture in our school. We've finished another term filled with creative expertise, healthy activity and fantastic learning. What a lot to be proud of.

We are proud of our tamariki and the efforts they pour into their learning.

We are proud when we consider the energy, thinking and generosity of our staff.

We are proud when we consider parents time, support and involvement.

Huge thank you to everyone that contributes to make a difference...it is worth it

Watch out next term for our new inquiry concept of **Survival**. What do you think about some of the big ideas we will be exploring? 'Diversity in a system creates more resilience and therefore survival' or 'Change and flexibility enable survival'. How will each whānau explore these ideas? Watch this space...



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 collection of watches and jewellery in the school office.

ST JOHNS | YOUTH PROGRAMME

Our Youth programme is for children aged 6-18 and cadets learn First Aid Skills, work towards badges, and compete in competitions. The 6-8 year olds meet on Monday nights 3:30pm – 5pm and the 8-18 year olds meet on Tuesday nights 6:30pm – 8pm.Activities include

- Overnight stays and camps
- Adventure activities
- Fun days and social functions
- Competitions and first aid scenarios 4 courses and training workshops
- Operational events alongside St John
- Travel opportunities and scholarships



There is an initial charge of \$50 to contribute towards the uniform and then there is a \$10 donation per term.

For more information please go to https://youth.stjohn.org.nz/

JOB OPPORTUNITY

If you are a keen cyclist and interested in working with schools, charitable trusts and local government, with school holidays off, then we'd like to hear from you.

The Regional Transport Department at Greater Wellington Regional Council is seeking the services of a contractor for a period of one year, to liaise with organisations and schools in the 'Bikes in Schools' programme. A second part of the contract for services is to deliver cycle skills training under the Pedal Ready Programme.

If you would like more information on this job please contact Melissa or Trish in the school office and we can send you more information.

YOUR PARENTING ACT

Parenting can be both a joy and very hard work.

And things get in the way of us being the parents we want to be. Sometimes they are things outside us, but more often they are our own thoughts and feelings. They might be thoughts about ourselves, about our children, about our parenting, or about what others think about our parenting.

Your Parenting ACT is a 5 week course that helps you parent in line with your own values. It uses principles from ACT — Acceptance and Commitment Therapy — to help you make room for all your thoughts and feelings, so you can respond flexibly as a parent. ACT uses acceptance, mindfulness and behavioural strategies to help people pursue what matters most to them, including being the parent they want to be.

Berhampore Centennial Community Centre, 493 Adelaide Rd, Wellington.

Tuesdays, from the 22nd of October between 7:00pm and 9:00pm.

For more information and registrations:

https://www.eventbrite.co.nz/e/your-parenting-act-evening-october-2019-registration-72893553581

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Kia Manaaki - Respectful

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