



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

**WEEK 06 | TERM 4 | NOVEMBER 2019**

Updates for the Friends and Whānau of Newtown School

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Hallo zusammen | Mingalaba | Sua's dei | Ciao | Kia Orana | Namaste | Chao mung | أهلا بك |  
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## Mr Brown's Kōrero

Kia ora koutou te whānau

What an amazing school disco last week celebrating 20,000 Cards of Awesome being collected by our students during the school year. Thank you to all of the wonderful parents and students who decorated the hall in a beautiful spring theme. Again, we must sincerely thank Darryll Smith and his family for erecting the disco balls, spinning lighting along with fantastic bubble and fake snow flakes that periodically poured from the ceiling. Another great school disco.

At the end term we are celebrating two separate 'Performance Assemblies'. These assemblies have become extremely popular with our talented students. The Music Assembly will be held Friday 6th December 9.30-10.30. This will include Kapa Haka performance group, School Band, Ukulele, Piano and drum recitals. 'Newtown's Got Talent' will be on Thursday 12th December from 9.30-10.30. Students that are in the school band or have performed at other music assemblies can also perform in this assembly. We are strongly encouraging any cultural performances!

Scooters and helmets... summer is coming (I hope), so scootering to school will increase in popularity. Helmets, while not at this stage compulsory by law, are a sensible safety precaution. We therefore ask that if your child is scootering to school, you ensure that they wear an appropriate helmet. Please ensure that the school has your child's name scratched on it for security.

**Whānangatanga - Connected**

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

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## IMPORTANT DATES

- **Friday 6 December :**  
Music assembly, 9.30am-10.30am
- **Thursday 12 December :**  
Newtown's Got Talent, 9.30-10.30am
- **Monday 16th December :**  
Leavers Dessert Evening
- **Tuesday 17 December :**  
Leavers Final Assembly
- **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](mailto:away@newtown.school.nz)

## SCHOOL TIMES

School Starts 9.00am

Interval 11.00-11.20am

Lunch 12.45-1.45pm

School Finishes 3.00pm

If any parents know that their children who are not going to be attending Newtown in 2020, it would be most helpful to know this information. Please contact the office (admin@newtown.school.nz) as soon as possible, if this is the case.

Finally, please note we will hold our Year 6 Leavers Assembly at 9.15am - 10.15am on Tuesday 17 December. We would love you to come along and support your child at the assembly if you are able to make the time.

Our final day of this school year will be Wednesday 18th December. Students will be released at 3.00pm.

*Ngā mihi nui - Mark Brown,  
Principal - Tumuaki*

## SCHOOL READING / LIBRARY BOOKS

Please have a look around at home for any Newtown School Reading or Library books that might have been forgotten.

These can be returned to the School Office / Library or posted into our school letterbox on Mein Street.

## THE AMAZING BUTTERFLY 'KALEIDOSCOPE'

***The amazing Butterfly 'kaleidoscope' photo booth.***

**When:** Next Thursday November the 28th from 2.30pm - 4pm.

**Where:** In the Newtown School playground

**What:** Well you're in for a surprise. The Butterfly Man is back at Newtown School, bringing with him his new butterfly installation. He's setting up a butterfly photo booth so when you come to meet your kids after school next Thursday you can photograph the kids surrounded by a magnificent 'kaleidoscope' of butterflies. It's free and you can take as many photos as you want.

The only cost is a smile.



**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.*

- *Alice Phoeung*
- *Jessica Phoeung*
- *Alex Fauchelle*



## SUNHATS

It is school policy that all students wear a sunhat with a brim (not a cap) during Term 4.

Please support your child to have an appropriate hat. This can be kept at school in their tote tray if they wish.

**NO HAT... NO PLAY!**



# HEALTH, WELL-BEING AND PHYSICAL EDUCATION CONSULTATION SURVEY:

At least once every two years the Board of Trustees is required to consult with the parent community about the school's Health & Physical Education programmes. The purpose of this consultation is to outline the programmes that we are delivering, how we are delivering Health Education and Well-Being components and what we/you see as the Health Education needs of our students.

Please also have your say at :

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeWVzITcYNM1\\_YUZSWqhEbEb8SRpaGMLRgW9gjqr8GWiQAAQ-w/viewform](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeWVzITcYNM1_YUZSWqhEbEb8SRpaGMLRgW9gjqr8GWiQAAQ-w/viewform)

## SCHOOL DISCO

A big thank you to everyone who helped make our School Disco possible - we had a fabulous group of volunteers and staff that helped this event go ahead. It is always a fun filled evening and the kids had a wonderful time.



## MESSAGE FROM THE BOARD

Tēnā koutou,

Recently the Board of Trustees has been discussing traffic safety around the school. One approach to reducing traffic and encouraging safety is establishing a Walking School Bus program.

This would be a community run initiative with the support of the school and the City Council. Students would walk set routes to school with trained, volunteer adults collecting kids as they go, having fun and being safe.

For more information have a read here:

<https://education.nzta.govt.nz/assets/Education-portal/Teacher-resources/School-community-partnerships/Walking-school-bus/wsb-flyer.pdf>

and here:

<https://education.nzta.govt.nz/teacher-resources/school-community-partnerships/walking-school-bus/>

If you'd like to be involved in setting up a walking school bus near you or want to know more please email [bot@newtown.school.nz](mailto:bot@newtown.school.nz) and we will arrange meetings and training to help get things started.

Ngā mihi mahana,  
Nick Booth

**Kia Manahau - Resilient**

**E hia hingahinga, katū tonu, ka ako tonu. We keep trying and learn from what we do**



**FREE PARENTING  
HELPLINE**

**ALL ISSUES | ALL AGES**

**[www.parenthelp.org.nz](http://www.parenthelp.org.nz)**

**0800 568 856**



# SUPPORT STAFF APPRECIATION WEEK



Thank you to all the Parents, Whānau and Caregivers who showed their support and appreciation last week during Support Staff Appreciation Week.

The Newtown School Superheros are still around, but just in disguise.. as themselves!

## CURRICULUM CORNER

Written By: Nicki Read | Deputy Principal

In the next few weeks the children may start discussing which whānau they will be in next year, who their teachers might be and how they feel about change. This in turn can churn up a mix of emotions and behaviours. Transitions are an important part of life, and learning to manage different expectations, identities and roles are a key part of development.

Here are some ways we can reassure and inspire our children around transition:

- **Reassure** and make sure your child knows and understands what is coming next and give them something to look forward to!
- **Preview** positive possibilities for what is next.
- **Provide a countdown**-knowing the time left before transition happens is helpful.
- **Praise** their preparation for possible changes.
- **Remind them**-their current teachers will share what they love about them with next year's teachers. It's also good to remind them that their teachers this year will still be around to help them next year.
- **Give them room to explore and imagine**-don't rush them, give them time to think, talk and wonder about the next step.
- **State the positive**-there are always things to look forward to...make a list!

Help us make the most of transitions!

All transitions are composed  
of an ending, a neutral zone  
and a new beginning.

William Bridges

YOUR LIFE  
is a story  
of TRANSITION.  
You are  
always leaving  
one chapter  
BEHIND  
while MOVING ON  
to the next.

Kia Manaaki - Respectful

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

# NEWTOWN SCHOOL & THE COMMUNITY

## TERRACYCLE

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>  
Last day for 2019 is Friday 6 December

## SPORTS PAYMENTS

If your child has signed up for a sport this term please pop into the office or make the payment on kindo. If you have any queries about payments or would like to split payments over a few weeks, please contact the office at [admin@newtown.school.nz](mailto:admin@newtown.school.nz) or 04 389 6667 to arrange something.

## PRE CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

*16th - 21st December*

**Managing the kids the week before Christmas can be tricky...  
We're here to help!**

**Registrations are open, so check out the details below:**

**Dates:** Term 4, 2019 school holidays (Christmas break) 16th - 20th December

**Location:** Goodtime Music Academy, 50 Victoria Street, Alicetown, Lower Hutt.

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfEUeQHxA4hmVQfVmKluu2L6cWdMvEumPmg1Jzef01InPAHw/viewform>

## WELLINGTON UNITED COMMUNITY FOOTBALL

Get the bus! Cycle! Get a lift! Walk down! Bring your mates!

Just turn up and play! \*No Registration Required\*

**Open to players born 2007-2014**

**This is an ALL in programme – Everybody Plays!!**

### THE PLAYERS LEAD!

Playing formats, selecting the teams and setting up the pitch.

The coaches will only step in if required.

### FOOTBALL FUN!

Headers and Volleys, Knockout, Crossbar ChallengeS  
mall Sided Games (4v4, 7v7)

### When:

Sundays 4-5:30pm from November 24th- December 15th

### Where:

Martin Luckie Park  
(Lavaud St, Berhampore)

For more information please contact [wellingtonunitedjuniors@gmail.com](mailto:wellingtonunitedjuniors@gmail.com)

## KITES AT CHRISTMAS

The Rotary Club of Courtenay Place is inviting children and families to a Kite Flying event at Liardet Park (Berhampore) on Sunday 15 December (10.a.m. to 2.00 p.m.)

\$5 per entrant. Prizes for construction, artwork and flying skills!

Come out in the fresh air and take advantage of our Wellington winds.

For more details check us out at [rccp.org.nz](http://rccp.org.nz), or ring Geoff Henry (3883536)

**Kia whakapau kaha - Effort**

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



## ACCESSIBILITY PARK

Please do not double park / block access to the accessibility park in our staff carpark. We are aware of a couple people in our community that require this and have been prevented from being able to use it by others.

Please also note the staff carpark is not to be used at drop off or pick up.