



IMPORTANT DATES

- **10 December** - Picnic in the Park
- **11 December** - Newtown's Got Talent
- **14 December** - Yr 6 Leavers Dessert
- **15 December** - Last day of 2020
- **3 February** - First day of 2021
- **1 April** - Teacher Only Day

Fruit & Vege Market

Christmas Dates

Open: Wed 23rd Dec

Closed: Sat 26th Dec and Sat 2nd Jan

Open from: Sat 9th Jan 2021

SCHOOL TIMES

SCHOOL STARTS 9.00AM
INTERVAL 11.00-11.20AM
LUNCH 12.45-1.45PM
SCHOOL FINISHES 3.00PM

ABSENCES

IF YOUR CHILD IS NOT GOING TO BE AT SCHOOL, PLEASE CONTACT US AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

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AWAY@NEWTOWN.SCHOOL.NZ

PRINCIPAL - TUMUAKI KŌRERO

Kia ora koutou te whānau,

Welcome to our last full newsletter for 2020. The end of the school year is rapidly approaching and it is important that our students are at school every day, on time, ready to start school. 2020 may be remembered for 'Covid' and the impact it has had on us, however there have been numerous amazing learning opportunities that have also been memorable in our school this year.

Despite the strong winds and damp weather recently it is still vitally important that all students come to school prepared with sun hats and sunscreen, ready to enjoy the many learning experiences outside. As the days are warming up and the end of term is near, our students show signs of tiredness. I would encourage some early nights, so that children are in good spirits, ready for a great day at school.

Celebrating 22,000 cards of Awesome: Today our school celebrates being awarded over 22,000 'cards of awesome' with bouncy castles, face painting, paper craft and chalk. What an amazing fun day to reward fantastic behaviour in our school this year. I wonder how many we will collect next year?

Thank you! I would like to take the opportunity to thank the children, staff and the Newtown community for what has been a successful year. The positive impact whānau involvement has on children should not be underestimated. Whether you are helping in whānau classrooms, coaching sports teams or coming along on trips, the children at Newtown School all benefit from this fantastic support. The number of people who have helped throughout the year never ceases to amaze me. These efforts add a real depth to our community spirit. We will have a special morning tea to acknowledge those contributions

I wish to also acknowledge the awesome school staff. The Newtown community is extremely fortunate to have such skilled and hard working people in their school. The children receive quality teaching and learning programmes from caring and supportive teachers. The teachers in turn are supported by a fantastic group of support staff who go above and beyond their job in order to see that the children at Newtown get a wonderful learning experience.

Our school is also supported by a proactive and passionate Board of Trustees who are focussed on creating and maintaining the best learning environment for all our students and whānau.

Final Assembly Our Year 6 final assembly will be held Tuesday 15 December, 9.30am in our school hall. All parents are invited to this. This is a very special occasion where we recognise senior student achievement and make a small presentation to all our Year 6 students. I look forward to many of you being able to join us for this celebration.

School will close for the year at 3.00pm, Tuesday 15th December. Our new school year for 2021 will begin for all students at 9.00am, Wednesday 3rd February 2021. Any new students can enrol in the week of 25 - 29 January or email admin@newtown.school.nz.

Noho ora mai ra Mark Brown, Principal - Tumuaki

2021 Whanau classes A personalised notice will be sent home with the notification of your child's 2021 whanau class. Students will meet with their 2021 home class teacher and new whānau classmates next week. We advise student placements at this time, to allow you to support your child's transition to their new learning environment over the summer break. Many hours of thought and reflection have gone into creating the most appropriate learning groups for 2021.

Staffing News update As the year draws to a close, there are some final staffing announcements. We farewell a number of staff at the end of the school year.

Janette Roberts has taught at Newtown for over 32 years and will retire from teaching - how can we begin to acknowledge her amazingly dedicated service to our learning community? Her passion for young people, her energy and enthusiasm are an inspiration to others in the teaching profession. Happy retirement Janette, we know you will be busy, with grandchildren, tramping and knitting your treasure box of wool amongst other things.

Ann Mace who has taught reading recovery at our school over the last 5 years, retires also from teaching, having a successful career focussed on literacy teaching, adult education and junior school teaching, that has taken her around New Zealand and overseas. I can well imagine Ann busy like Janette, with grandchildren, but also spending more time in her garden and tango dancing!

Amy finishes her fixed term teaching position at Newtown School. Amy has been active in organising wonderful events such as, our very popular performance assemblies and assisting with 'Dance Splash'.

Congratulations go to Louise and Matt on their recent appointments;

Louise will move to her home town of Otaki, where she will teach year 7 and 8 students at Otaki College. Her positiveness and professional passion for everyone's well being has been outstanding.

Matt is taking up his 'dream job' at Wellington East College next year, teaching surfing, paddleboarding and other P.E related subjects. Matt's positive connection to our senior students has proven to be highly successful.

Both of these experienced teachers in Whanau Waitangi will be missed. We all wish them the best in their teaching careers.

To Sirisha, Moreen, Jane, Ella and Halima who were on fixed term contracts this year, we hope to be welcoming you back as we receive funding. We wish to acknowledge all of their contributions they have made to our school learning community this year.

We welcome three new teachers to our school next year; Colette de Vere Green from Berhampore School, Lauren Peatfield from Houghton Valley School and Trent Taylor who will start his teaching career at Newtown.

Congratulations go to two of our existing staff who now become permanent staff. Mitch Jordan will teach in our bilingual whanau, while Juliette Davis will be teaching in whanau Harakake and students that have English as a second language. Wanwan, will be on maternity leave for part of next year. Both Wanwan and Keith will share a full time position. We wish them all the best with impending parenthood and will be eagerly waiting for the 'baby news' in early February next year.

CURRICULUM CORNER

Children and change Transitions and change are an important part of life. Next week your children will visit their new whānau or welcome new children into their space - this is all change. They may discuss how they feel about these changes. This in turn can churn up a mix of emotions and behaviours.

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

- **Reassure** and make sure they know and understand 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 change 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.
- **Help** them to put how they feel into words.
- **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 change!



2021 WHĀNAU TEACHERS

As you will be aware we have been working on student placements as we plan for the whānau organisation for 2021. I am happy to let you know that we have finalised what whānau and at what level our teachers will teach in 2021. Please be aware that this can change for a variety of reasons, however next year's whānau organisation is currently as follows:

Te Whānau Tui - Year 0 & 1

Whānau Teachers: Julia Harris, Karen Fredrickson and Debbie Purves

Te Whānau Harakeke - Years 1 - 3

Whānau Teachers: Sarah Shore, Alice Cooke / Juliette Davies and Annabel Wigmore

Te Whānau Pohutukawa - Years 3 & 4

Whānau Teachers: Hannah Gilmore, Lauren Peatfield and Colette de Vere Green

Whānau Waitangi - Years 4, 5 & 6

Whānau Teachers: Alice Van Der Merwe, Keith Hutton / Wanwan Liao, Sally Hunter and Trent Taylor

Te Whānau Ngati Kotahitanga - Years 0 - 8

Whānau Teacher: Whaea Maraea Pukeke-Pine and Whaea Susie Hohipa

Bilingual - Years 0 - 6

Whānau Teacher: Mitch Jordan

Specialist Teachers

Linda Martelletti, Peter Holmstead, Frances Hudson, Hine Nopera, Kāren King, Sanja Mandinic

Support Staff

Sam Sun, Gregor Peterson, Rangimarie Teautama, Shirin Sulaimani, Nicole Schotters, Dave Shallcrass, Ruth Thomas- Maxwell, Michael Watson, Kat Hall, Alysha Stephens, Divya Kamaraj, Estelle Valent, Jesse Drysdale and Michael McMillan

Administration Staff

Melissa Kooiman and Julie Bell

Deputy Principals

Nicki Read & Justine Henderson

Principal

Mark Brown

IMPORTANT DATES TO NOTE THIS TERM

Harakeke:

Tuesday 8 Dec - Otari-Wilton Bush Adventure

Pohutukawa:

Tuesday 8 Dec - Adventure Day

Waitangi:

Monday 14 Dec - Year 6 Leavers Dinner

Whole School Events:

Thursday 10 Dec - School Picnic

Friday 11 Dec - Newtown's Got Talent



Newtown School Dates 2021

Term 1, 3 February - 16 April

Term 2, 3 May - 9 July

Term 3, 26 July - 1 October

Term 4, 18 October - 15 December

Public Holidays (School Closed)

8 February - Waitangi Day (observed)

1 April - Teacher only day

2 April - Good Friday

5 April - Easter Monday

6 April - Easter Tuesday

7 June - Queens Birthday

25 October - Labour Day

The Newtown Community & Cultural Centre proudly presents,

NEWTOWN HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

Monday 18 January – Friday 29 January 2021

Who? For primary school-aged children, years 1-6 (5-10 yrs old). Due to high demand, we prioritise Newtown residents and Community Services Card holders in enrolments.

Where? Newtown Hall, corner of Daniell/Constable Street, Newtown

When? 8:30am – 3:00pm, Weekdays, Monday 18th January – Friday 29th January 2021

Cost: Community Service Card holders: \$10 per day/\$15 on trip-days (Wednesdays). OR whole time: \$80 per child. Non-CSC holders: \$20 day/\$25 on trip-days. OR whole time: \$180 per child. (NB: you cannot book a trip-day unless you have booked 2 other days that week, including before the trip)

Payment: Enrolment forms should be returned to us by the 10th DECEMBER 2020 (we need to process these before the summer break). WINZ subsidies must be applied for by 11th January 2021 at the latest. Payments must be received in full by 11th January 2021 2020. *Any outstanding balances will result in your child not being eligible to enrol in subsequent holiday programmes. OSCAR approved programme, so you might qualify for OSCAR assistance (talk to your nearest WINZ office and ask about this). WINZ subsidy forms are available in the community centre office. **Payments can be made by cheque or cash online.**

Our bank account number is: 06 0574 0236602 20;

Bank account name: SHP.

Bring your Community Services Card when you make your payment. We regret that we are unable to give refunds for any sick days/non-attendance.



Look at our Newtown Water Polo team GO! They have done so well holding their own in the intermediate competition. We can all be very proud of them!

WEEK 1

Wed 16th Dec 2020
Tagging
Island Tag Challenges. Bring it on!

Thu 17th Dec 2020
Who will RULE?
King or Queen of the Moment.

Fri 18th Dec 2020
Artful Antics
Be crafty and make a photo book by taking photos of your favourite things and collate them into a book.

Mon 21st Dec 2020
Action Time
Pride In Action. Rope Challenges!

Tue 22nd Dec 2020
Pride Engineering
Aerodynamic Engineering. Pride Lands Taking Flight!

Wed 23rd Dec 2020
Christmas Day
Merry Christmas & happy 2021!

WEEK 2

Mon 4th Jan 2021
Pride Lands
Playing with mud, sand, insects, and leaves has never been so fun.

Tue 5th Jan 2021
Pride Lands
Enhance your core strength through a series of fun challenges.

Wed 6th Jan 2021
Pride Lands
Visit as many emergency services available to us in Wellington.

Thur 8th Jan 2021
Pride Lands
Share your hidden talents openly and be inspired.

Fri 9th Jan 2021
Pride Lands
Dress up. Eat up. All things cultural.

WEEK 3

Mon 11th Jan 2021
Pride Lands
A day of interactive fun and activities.

Tue 12th Jan 2021
Pride Lands
Dress up in your best futuristic attire and see if it stands the test of our activities and challenges.

Wed 13th Jan 2021
Pride Lands
Catch a Train - experience the joys of travelling on a train.

Thur 14th Jan 2021
Pride Lands
Create a water world with new exciting underwater characters.

Fri 15th Jan 2021
Pride Lands
Multiple Adventure Challenges here to test your might!

WEEK 4

Mon 18th Jan 2021
Getting Dirty
Water fight challenges, mud fight challenges, food fight challenges. Thirty for more? Yes, it's going to be a very dirty day.

Tue 19th Jan 2021
Pride Lands
Create a variety of new dinosaurs with amazing colours and textures.

Wed 20th Jan 2021
Pride Lands
Off to a private disco specially made for the cubs of Pride Lands.

Thur 21st Jan 2021
Pride Lands
Go nuts, go crazy, go wild, go mad on our challenges.

Fri 22nd Jan 2021
Pride Lands
Make art with all forms of natural and wild fairy tales.

WEEK 5

Mon 25th Jan 2021
Public Holiday
Wellington Anniversary day

Tue 26th Jan 2021
Outdoor Play Garden
Collect and press flowers, make recycled paper, make fairy wings etc.

Wed 27th Jan 2021
Trip Day - Fruit Picking
Enjoy a day of adventure fruit picking and sampling the best of the best New Zealand has got to offer.

Thur 28th Jan 2021
Time Bomb!
Complete the challenge before the BOMB goes OFF!

Fri 29th Jan 2021
Last Supper - relax and enjoy a shared lunch with the Pride.
Pride Fair: Pirate Market - junk is another person's treasure.

Some activities (including day trips) may need to be swapped for other exciting ones!



Summer Fun Holiday Adventures

(Open: 7am and Close 6pm)

Teaching Confidence & Respect

WHERE:
21st – 24th Dec 2020 to 04th – 29th Jan 2021
Enrol by 07th Dec 2020

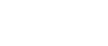
WHERE:
Western Suburbs (Wilton/Otari School)
Southern Suburbs (South Wellington Intermediate School - SWIS)

WHAT TO BRING:
Jacket, spare clothes, sun hat and water bottle

STANDARD FEES:
\$243 per cub/wk or \$453 for two or more siblings/wk
\$81 per cub/day or \$148 for two or more siblings/day
Only \$69 per cub/day or \$126 for two or more siblings/day if enrolled and paid by 9th Nov 2020
Payment Deadline: 14th Dec 2020

Early Bird Enrolment Discount:
Only \$206.55 per cub/wk or \$385.05 for two or more siblings/wk
Only \$69 per cub/day or \$126 for two or more siblings/day if enrolled and paid by 9th Nov 2020
Payment Deadline: 14th Dec 2020

Limited spaces, enrol now at www.kellyclub.co.nz



PRE-XMAS PROGRAMMES!

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Kelly Club Holiday Programmes focus on giving children aged between 5 and 13 the opportunity to do things they enjoy in a safe, supportive and encouraging environment.

The programmes are packed with lots of Xmas activities and fun. Our Pre Christmas Holiday Programmes are available at the following centres:

Kelly Club Amesbury - 11 Dec - 23 Dec 2020
Kelly Club Churton Park - 16 Dec - 23 Dec 2020
Kelly Club Island Bay - 21 Dec - 23 Dec 2020
Kelly Club Kelburn - 18 Dec - 23 Dec 2020
Kelly Club Northland - 17 Dec - 18 Dec 2020
Kelly Club West Park - 17 Dec - 23 Dec 2020



JANUARY 2021 SUMMER HOLIDAY PROGRAMME!

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

The Summer Holidays are here!

We have some exciting activities and trips planned:

Trips to: Wellington Zoo, Staglands, Te Papa, Cure Kids Day!
Plus: "Minute to win it", Crazy Day, Harry Potter Day, Star Wars Day, H2GO Day and lots more!!

Our Holiday Programmes are available at the following centres:

Kelly Club Amesbury - 5 Jan - 1 Feb 2021
Kelly Club Churton Park - 11 Jan - 2 Feb 2021
Kelly Club Island Bay - 5 Jan - 5 Feb 2021
Kelly Club Kelburn - 5 Jan - 3 Feb 2021
Kelly Club Wilton - 5 Jan - 29 Jan 2021
Kelly Club West Park - 5 Jan - 5 Feb 2021



Session times are as follows:

Full Day - 8am - 6pm (Westpark & Amesbury 7.30am), School Day - 8.45am-3.15pm,
Half Day - 8am-1pm, Half Day 1pm-6pm

Book online at www.kellyclub.co.nz or phone 04 972 7201, email admin@kellysports.co.nz

Artrageous Summer Holiday Adventure 6 th January – 3 rd February Ages 5 – 10 yrs				
Monday 4 th Jan No programme	Tuesday 5 th Jan No programme	Wednesday 6 th Jan	Thursday 7 th Jan	Friday 8 th Jan
Monday 1 st Feb BIG MESSY MONDAY a whole day of messy play	Tuesday 2 nd Feb Craft-making	Wednesday 3 rd Feb Artrageous Sports Day	Thursday 4 th Feb Huts & Forts	Friday 5 th Feb Dragons & Unicorns
Monday 11 th Jan CARTOONS AND COMICS	Tuesday 12 th Jan Futuristic Architecture	Wednesday 13 th Jan Print making	Thursday 14 th Jan DINOSAURS	Friday 15 th Jan WILDLIFE
Monday 18 th Jan BIG MESSY MONDAY drip, splat, spot, dribble, splash, smear, squish - a whole day of messy play	Tuesday 19 th Jan Stamping • Foot, finger, head, body... leave your mark!	Wednesday 20 th Jan SPOTS & DOTS	Thursday 21 th Jan MINECRAFTS	Friday 22 th Jan Insects
Monday 25 th Jan Wellington Anniversary No Holiday Programme	Tuesday 26 th Jan BOX CITY	Wednesday 27 th Jan Nebula Art	Thursday 28 th Jan Harry Potter Day Wand making Potion class Magical creatures Quidditch	Friday 29 th Jan Bubbles Bubbles blow giant bubbles

For more information check out our website www.artrageouskids.co.nz. In addition to these scheduled programmes, our primary activities are always available i.e. painting, drawing, 3D and construction. Activities can change due to the interests of the children.

Summer Holidays at Bonobo



Surf & Skate Camp

2 day surf & skate camp with a mix of land and water activities

Every Tuesday & Wednesday
9.30am - 3.00pm



Full Day Programme

A range of indoor and outdoor activities for all ages and abilities

Every Thursday
9.30am - 3.00pm



2 Hour Drop In Session

We open the gym for 2 hours a day so the kids can have a play

Mondays 1.00pm - 3.00pm
Fridays 9.30am - 11.30am

Register at

www.bonobo.co.nz info@bonobo.co.nz 02041788902
Unit 3, 56 Kingsford Smith St, Rongotai



CAPITAL TROUT CENTRE

SPECIAL CHILDRENS OPEN DAY SUNDAY 6TH DECEMBER 2020

Children must have a licence to fish for trout and free licences/tickets are available from Saturday 21st November 2020 at the following stores:

Capital Fishing, 49 Ghuznee Street (off Cuba Mall)

Hutt Valley Hunting & Fishing, 8 Te Puni Street, Petone

The Centre is located behind the WCC Administration buildings on the way to the Wellington City Council Southern Landfill, on Landfill Road, Happy Valley, Wellington and is open to the public on specific days.

Children do not have to bring any gear as Club members will assist children to catch a trout on fly fishing tackle.

As the Centre is manned and maintained by volunteers we rely on donations to cover our expenses of purchasing the fish from the hatcheries, fish food and general maintenance.

Your donations will be appreciated

Contact: Strato 387 7878 (wk) 386 3740 (hm)

email: strato.cotsilinis@gmail.com

BOOK AMNESTY

Do you have any library books or reading books at home? Please bring them into your child's class - no questions asked! Check under the bed, behind the sofa, any of those places where books love to hide!

THURS 17 - SUN 20 DEC • RENOUF TENNIS CENTRE •

Wellington Open NZ CHAMPIONSHIPS
• Wellington's Premier Tennis Event •

THURS 17 & FRI 18 SAT 19 Quarter final & Semi final - FREE ENTRY
SUNDAY 20 Finals Day
12.30pm Women's Doubles Followed by Men's Doubles
Followed by Women's Singles Followed by Men's Singles

Christmas Market
9am-3pm Saturday

TICKETS ON SALE: \$10 ONLINE / \$15 DOOR SALES / KIDS U12 FREE
2020wellopennzchamps.eventbrite.co.nz
www.tenniscentral.kiwi

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TAB

SHUTTLE TIME NEW ZEALAND

Shuttle Time is a worldwide programme that aims to give kids of all ages and abilities an enjoyable and accessible experience to Badminton. Get your kids involved in the world's fastest growing racket sport!

This tournament is for children Year 5 – 10, who have not played "Rep" badminton.

FREE entry (entries close 11:59 PM on Wednesday 9 December)

The first 20 entries received will win a FREE badminton racket! There will be a further 10 rackets to be won as spot prizes on the day!
Shuttle Time Special: Pay for Term 1 of any Shuttle Time Class in 2021 (Merit/Bronze/Silver/Gold) and receive Term 2 for free! Deal valid only for players entered in this tournament. Deal expires 19 December 2020.

For enquiries about the tournament or Shuttle Time programmes, contact Angus Crawford - shuttletime@badminton.net.nz

Non-Rep Tournament

Saturday 12 December

Year 5/6: 10am – 12pm

Year 7/8: 12.30pm – 2.30pm

Year 9/10: 3pm – 5pm

Badminton Wellington Centre
1 Ruahine Street
Hataitai

