

**Kia ora | خوش آمدید | Hola buenos días | malo e lelei | Goedemorgen | ようこそ | Talofa Lava
Bula Hallo zusammen | Mingalaba | Sua's dei | Ciao | Kia Orana | Namaste | Chao mung
أهلاً بك maligayang pagdating | soo dhaweyn | 歡迎 | Vanakam | خوشمديد | καλώς ορίσατε**

Dear whānau,

We are looking forward to the summer break and seeing you in the new year. Newtown Community is diverse, vibrant and we love it. Take time to rest, enjoy being together and think about what dreams you might have for 2022. Our partnership together is vital for your tamariki to thrive and love learning and life.

Welcome back on Thursday 3 February

It is important to us that we welcome everyone back to school on our first day. School starts at 9am. Make sure you arrive by 8:45 am so there is time to find friends, meet teachers and hang up your bag. We begin with a welcome pōwhiri. This is for our new whānau, tamariki and staff and starts at 9:15am. It is followed by a shared cup of tea, a biscuit and a chat with Nicki the Principal, our leadership team and other staff. The school day finishes at our usual time of 3pm.

Ways to be ready

Every Day | Remember to pack the following:

- **Sunhat** with a wide brim (named) – if your child has no hat they will need to play in the shade. School hats are available for \$12 from the office.
- Sunscreen on before school
- Clothing that covers up on sunny days (little shoulders get burned fast!)
- We are a water only school - please bring a drink bottle.
- Extra set of clothing and underwear for junior students (named)

Communication

Newsletter

This will come home digitally every two weeks. Watch out for regular updates on what is happening at school.

Facebook

We regularly post updates and photos to our school facebook page. If you haven't already done so, we encourage you to follow our page. <https://www.facebook.com/NewtownSchool/>

Absences

If your child is going to be away from school remember to contact us. In your message please include your child's name, teacher and the reason for the absence.

- **Phone:** 04 389 6667
- **Text:** 020 40175659
- **Email:** away@newtown.school.nz

Contact Details

If your contact details have changed, please let us know via admin@newtown.school.nz or at the school office.

Medication

If your child requires regular medication to be given at school come and fill out the details at the office as soon as you can.



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School Office

During term time, the school office is open 8.30am - 3.30pm.

Special opening for stationery before school starts,

- 10am-2pm on Tuesday 1st February
- 10am-2pm on Wednesday 2nd February

Stationery

Stationery will be available for purchase from Tuesday 1st February. This price includes everything your child needs to start 2022 at school. The stationery will be distributed to the children on the first day. If you want to cover your child's school books, please see your child's teacher.

We will have EFTPOS & cash available in the office as well as online payments, you can pay directly into the school bank account. Please make sure you use clear references so we know who has paid.

Cost of Stationery		Account Details	
Tūī	\$25.00	Account Name:	Newtown School Board
Harakeke	\$25.00	Bank:	BNZ
Pōhutukawa	\$25.00	Account #:	02 0576 0022421 00
Waitangi	\$30.00	Reference:	Family name
Ngāti Kotahitanga	\$30.00	Code:	Stationery
Bilingual	\$5.00		

Term Dates / public holidays & staff only days for 2022

Term 1 Thursday 3 February - Thursday 14 April	Term 2 Monday 2 May - Friday 8 July
Public Holidays in Term 1 (School is closed)	Public Holidays in Term 2 (School is closed)
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Monday 7 February - Waitangi Day (observed)• Thursday 14th April - Staff only Day• Friday 15 April - Good Friday	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Monday 6 June - Queen's Birthday• Tuesday 7 June - Staff only Day• Friday 24 June - Matariki
Term 3 Monday 25 July - Friday 30 September	Term 4 Monday 17 October - Thursday 15 December
No public holidays this term.	Public Holidays in Term 4 (School is closed)
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Monday 5 September - Staff only Day	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Monday 24 October - Labour Day• Tuesday 25 October - Staff only Day

Carpark

Our carpark is used for staff only. School drop off areas are:

- Out the front of the new building on Riddiford Street.
- Mein Street
- Even better...cycle or walk with your children. A great way to start the day.

This is for the safety of our students and community.

***We are so glad you are part of our community. See you all on Thursday 3rd February.
Enjoy the rest of your summer break!***



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