



### IMPORTANT DATES

### TERM TWO: 2 May - 8 July 2022

• 8 July - Last day of term

### TERM THREE: 25 July - 30 September

- 26 & 27 July School Photos
- 1 August Staff Only Day
- 2 & 4 August Whakamōhio

### **TERM FOUR: 17 October - 15 December**

• 25 October - Staff Only Day

# "QUOTE OF THE WEEK"

It is good to have an understanding of everybody because it doesn't matter where you come from, what matters is you!

### PRINCIPAL'S PĀNUI

Kia ora whānau

### **HEAPS OF HIGHLIGHTS**

Reflect with a smile, there is much to remember just from one term!

- **Learning Records**: hope you have enjoyed reading the Learning Records that came home on Wednesday. It amazes me how articulate many of our tamariki are in regard to explaining their learning.
- Matariki: what a pleasure to gather as a community and share breakfast.
- Planting: our gardens are looking great
- Cross Country: our seniors got to run in the sunny window
- Cards of awesome total=4814
- Teachers: continue to delight in students learning every day
- Exhibitions: art and inquiry sharing
- Trips: we're out and about again.
- Whānau are back in our spaces. We love it.
- Te ao Māori: Taiaha, Whānau Maori hui
- Music: 'Newtown's got Talent'
- **Support staff:** a chance to thank our awesome team.
- **Swimming pool:** read the Friday Principal email to find out the latest news. Hope you have all enjoyed the learning journey with us for Term Two.

### Look ahead and save the dates

**Thursday 28th July**: Relational Practice @ Newtown led by Cath Forster (1:30-3pm, 3:30-5pm)

**Tuesday 2nd and 4th August**: Whakamōhio (whānau, kaiako and tamariki) **Wednesday 10th August**: Explicit teaching of literacy led by Helen Walls for parents (5:30-6:30pm)

Watch out for more information on all of these.

Have a great break with rest, laughter and whānau time. See you in Term 3 Noho ora mai ra, Nicki Read - Tumuaki



# KIA MANAHAU - RESILIENT

### **Shirin Salemi**



Kia Ora koutou Whanau

My name is Shirin. I am originally from Iran. I have been living in New Zealand for 9 years. I have two kids; my son Zanyar goes to Newtown School. Zahra is my daughter and she is in year nine at Wellington East Girls College.

I started my career as a teacher assistant at Newtown school in 2018. I work for Newtown Skids as well and some of you may see me around there. The reason I chose this job is that I really enjoy working with children and helping students. I have a degree as a social worker from back home.

I can speak Farsi, Kurdish, Arabic, English, Dari and I am also learning Te Reo Maori. Running, singing, cooking and reading books are my hobbies.

I have set some goals for myself and becoming a house owner was one of them. Eventually, last year we could buy our house. I live with my lovely husband Diako and our two kids in Wainuiomata . My next goal is to start my study at university. Best regards, Shirin

### **Hannah Gilmore**

Kia Ora Whanau,

Ko Hannah toku ingoa.

I am a kaiako in whānau Pohutukawa.

I grew up on the Kapiti Coast where my beautiful whanau still lives. I visit them often to fill my bucket.

I love to be active, be out in nature and spend time with the people I love.

I have absolutely loved being a part of the Newtown School whanau over the last five years. What I love most about this kura are the people, different cultures and the inclusive feel where you can be who you are! I love to truly get to know each learner and what they can bring to the classroom and learning environment. Learning is fun and it never stops!

Your children are awesome! Thank you for all your lovely smiles, chats and support over the years - keep it coming! I look forward to being a part of your child's learning journey if I have not already.

I am looking forward to spending my school holidays in the sunshine coast with my partner Max and soaking up some sunshine before Term 3. Nga Mihi, Hannah.



# Celebrations

What we are celebrating this week

- Our pool is 99% ready to go!
- The Newtown Variety Show was a huge success with lots of our students entertaining us all!



### Culture

"I'm helping keep the language alive because a lot of people took the land that belonged to me and didn't care."

### **Culture**

It's nice to connect with my country - it means I can connect with a wider range of people and cultures



"Beyond the Page is back! During the July school holidays, from 9-24 July, libraries across the Wellington region are hosting over a hundred awesome and totally **FREE** events for tamariki and their whānau. From bilingual puppetry performances and workshops, poetry events, nature walks and sculpture masterclasses through to VR experiences, LEGO® sessions, stop motion workshops and more, we're inviting you to explore the adventurous side of your library, beyond the page!

All events are free, but some require registration as space may be limited. Find out more, and view the entire calendar of events



### South Wellington Intermediate School

South Wellington Intermediate School is hosting their Open Day for Newtown School Year 6.

This year we have organised this over two different days so that **YOU** get to experience what the school is like with our students present and **WE** get to know you a little bit better.

Newtown School will be visiting South Wellington Intermediate School on

### Tuesday 9th August from 9:15 to 12:15pm

When the students come along they'll get to have hands-on experiences with Food and Hard Tech, Textiles and experience the Art Room while getting to meet the teachers!

## Kumara, coconut and lentil soup Recipe (Soup from the Matariki breakfast)

Serves 4, 30-45 minutes to make

We have had a lot of requests for this soup recipe from our Matariki breakfast so here it is, enjoy!

### Ingredients

- 1 tablespoon canola or olive oil
- 1 medium-large sized onion, roughly chopped
- 2cm piece fresh ginger, grated
- 2 cloves garlic, chopped
- 1 teaspoon curry powder

½ cup red lentils

- 1 large (about 400g) kumara, peeled, cubed
- 4 cups boiling water

3 teaspoons salt-reduced stock powder

1 cup light coconut milk

bowlful of greens from the garden (spinach, silverbeet, herbs etc)

### Instructions

- Place oil and onion in a large pot. Cook over a medium-high heat until onion is lightly and evenly browned. Add ginger, garlic and curry powder to onion. Stir for 1-2 minutes.
- 2. When onion has softened and spices are fragrant, add lentils, kumara, water, stock and coconut milk to the pot then stir. Simmer, stirring now and then, for 15-20 minutes, or until everything is tender. Turn off the stove.
- 3. Add chopped up garden greens. Let sit for 5 minutes.
- 4. mash, process, or blend mixture with a hand blender until smooth and season to taste before serving

Soup adapted from the Healthy Food Guide **here** 

### Life at Orange

### At Newtown School No Green Line



- Keep masks on when inside
- Visitors must sign in at the office
- Keep your child home if they are unwell
- Please email if your child or someone in your household tests positive, include the Day 0 date in your email.

### Nationwide

- At Orange, you can continue to do everyday activities, but we need to protect our vulnerable communities.
- You must wear a face mask in many indoor locations. You do not need to wear a face mask outdoors.
- You can visit cafes and bars, attend gatherings and events, and go to the hairdresser and gym. There are no capacity limits or distancing requirements at venues.
- Workplaces and schools can open.
- To protect yourself, your whānau and your community, keep up healthy habits.
- Self-isolate for 7 days if you test positive or live with someone who has Covid-19



COVID-19



### NOTICES





Make sure the sick person comes into contact with as few people as possible, including contact between the sick person and others living in the house.



- Use paracetamol for pain and fever, make sure you check and follow the dose limits on the packet.
- Do NOT give aspirin to children or teenagers who have the flu or flu-like sickness it can cause serious illness.
- Light clothing and blankets, and cool flannels can
- Lots of rest is important. The flu is a serious illness and may make you feel weak.
- Dispose of used tissues safely.

