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PRINCIPAL'S PĀNUI

Kia ora whānau

Being glad for all those who give time

There are many in our community who give their time and skills for the good of us all. This week there have been a number of moments where I have thought...'I wish everyone knew this!' so I am stealing this newsletter to share some.

Learning conversations

Whānau: Invaluable time taken to focus on the learning of your tamariki, connect with kaiako, make time to listen, encourage and affirm progress, efforts and success. It really makes a difference to learning when whānau are part of the sharing. If you missed your chance, then book a time to talk with your child's kaiako. It's worth it.

Kaiako: thoughtfully sharing, encouraging each tamariki to shine, providing insight, answering questions, committing to some long days because every learner matters.

Tamariki: sharing your families with us, being proud of all you are working on and celebrating progress.

Nominations for Board of Trustees

It is exciting that we have seven nominated people in our community who are willing to become part of our Board of Trustees. What a fortunate position to be in for our community. Watch out for voting details to come from the returning officer (Melissa).

Thanks to those parents who considered the possibility (and mentioned "Next time"). I'll remember that interest in 3 years time.

Grants team

A fantastic group of parents applied for several grants for our heat pump and were successful on every one. This has meant we have been able to purchase a heat pump to heat our water for the pool. Thanks to Chris Dangerfield, Steve Kerr, Yadana Saw, Nicki Booth, Jessica Gorman and Melissa Kooiman. You are appreciated!

Passionate pool crew

Watch out for working bees to prepare our pool for swimming. We'll be sweeping, painting, cleaning and maybe a little building to get the surroundings of the pool the way we would like to. The time for swimming is drawing nearer.

New families

A warm welcome to Newtown School those learners who will start in the coming weeks. It is brave to become part of a new community. Everyone remember to welcome others with a smile, grab a playground conversation, introduce yourself and find out who is standing beside you.

We are glad to have these tamariki join our school: Alfie Mountier, Sable Marshall, Wryla Gapatan and Harmony Tutahi.

Noho ora mai ra, Nicki Read - Tumuaki

IMPORTANT DATES

TERM THREE: 25 July - 30 September

- **17 August** - SWIS Open Evening for Parents of yr 6 students
- **1 September** - Market Day
- **7 September** - BOT Election Voting Closes
- **15 September** - Yr 6 Camp Meeting

TERM FOUR: 17 October - 15 December

- **25 October** - Staff Only Day

"QUOTE OF THE WEEK"

"It was inspiring, amazing, surprising, a little bit scary and beautiful"

from some of the students who attended the ballet

Mary Bluck



Kia ora,

My name is Mary Bluck and I teach in Te Whanau Harakeke. I am married to Lindsay and have four children who are in early adulthood.

My interests are reading, crafting, cross stitch, Christianity, social justice, gardening and scouting.

I love the outdoors and am passionate about the environment.

In the last holidays I was able to attend a course on sustainability and environmental education run by the Blake foundation. I am excited about the opportunities I have to work with the school in this space.

Peter Holmstead

Kia ora whānau

I work 2 days per week (plus a few extras), mainly in Harakeke. Last year I was in Tūi, so I know the Harakeke tamariki really well.

I enjoy playing the guitar and singing, and getting outside to run around. The number one purpose of school is to make learning fun!

Outside of school I enjoy playing music, fishing off my boat, gardening, baking and cooking, woodwork, playing volleyball, and travelling with my partner Sarah.

I have lived in Newtown for more than 30 years, and my two grown-up children came through Newtown School about 20 years ago. I feel connected to the school and the suburb over a long period. It's great to be part of an awesome team of staff who really care about creating great citizens.



Alysha Stephens



Kia Ora,

Hi I'm Alysha, I have been TA at Newtown school for 5 years and I have loved every minute of it.

I am working in Whanau Tui, Harakeke and Pohutakawa this year, I love moving between all three Whanau and making connections with all the wonderful staff and students we have. I love when kids call out my name and say hi or come up to me and share a story or something they have learnt. I feel very proud and blessed to be apart of such a wonderful community.

I am mum to Kade who is in Pohutakawa this year, and love spending time with my family any chance I get. In my free time you will find us out and about exploring our beautiful city or at a Wellington Saints Basketball game. I enjoy getting out for walks along the beach or any kind of waterway and sometimes relaxing quietly with a book - when I get time.

LEARNERS LIMELIGHT

The beautiful realisation of a father seeing his son writing a sentence by sounding out and spelling the words at his whakamōhio this week

Celebrations

What we are celebrating this week

- We have 7 nominations for Board of Trustees
- Students learning to ride bikes and scooters this week, thanks to our friends at Pedal Ready

Newtown School Board Elections

We are excited that the following members of our community have been nominated;

Booth, **Nicholas** (Nick)

Gorman, **Jessica** (Jess)

Henderson, **Mitzi**

Mardhiah, **Siti** (Mika)

Saw, **Yadana**

Taylor, **Naomi**

Winkels, **Joseph** (Joe)



Parents and caregivers of Newtown School students will receive their voting papers soon. Voting papers will be posted out by 10th August

Voting closes on 7th September so don't forget to



Reminder: **NO** lollies or gum at school

Please **NO** parking in the Staff Car Park and St. Annes Carpark!
Lets keep our children **SAFE**



To book before or after school care with skids in our school hall, please click on their link [here](#)



South Wellington Intermediate School

Open Evening
17 August 2022
6pm - 8pm

We are holding our Open Evening for the whole Whānau.

This is a chance for students and parents to come along and see some of what our school has to offer.



Parent Support Group

Zoom Get Together

Thursday 18th August 7.30pm – 8.30pm

A zoom get together for parents or caregivers raising children with any disabilities, health impairments or special needs.

Come and join us for a chat with other parents who get it. BYO refreshments and nibbles

Zoom in and meet other parents of children with disabilities and special needs for support, friendship and fun.

This is a safe space for family and Whānau to share and learn information from each other to help and support us along our journey. You are welcome to ask questions on issues you are struggling with or just join us for a hot drink in a supportive group.

Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/864486225407pwd=WnNDTWwSUDJYbnFLUVdVBFVlQK3ZMdz09>

For more information contact Sue on 027 808 3947 or suet@parent2parent.org.nz



Influenza Regional Public Health
Te Ora āwhiri | Te Opeke | Te Kāiāwhiri
Safaranga huarua mō te āwhiri

For most people with influenza (the flu), home is the best place to rest and recover.

This information will help you care for someone with flu, tell you when to get extra help and prevent others getting sick.

Flu symptoms

COVID-19, flu and colds have similar symptoms

The symptoms for a cold or flu can be similar to COVID-19. If you are sick, stay home. Call your health provider or Healthline and follow their advice. They may advise you to have a COVID-19 test, and self-isolate while you wait for the results.

You are more likely to have the **flu** if you have:

- A severe fever (over 38°C) lasting several days.
- A cough and sore chest.
- Severe exhaustion and aches and pains.

You are more likely to have the **cold** if you have:

- A blocked nose.
- A lot of sneezing.
- A sore throat.

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.

Giving care

How to care for someone with flu



A person with the flu needs a few key things to help them recover:

- Plenty of fluids to drink - water and juice are best.
- Do not give tea or coffee.
- NO ALCOHOL.
- 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 help with fever.
- Lots of rest is important. The flu is a serious illness and may make you feel weak.
- Dispose of used tissues safely.



KIA NGĀKAU HIHIRI – CURIOUS