



PRINCIPAL'S PĀNUI

Kia ora whānau

The past week has given us plenty to think about, with the death of Queen Elizabeth II just before the beginning of Te Wiki o Te Reo Māori. This year marks 50 years since the presentation of Te Petihana Reo Māori | Māori Language Petition to Parliament in 1972, which called for the Māori language to be taught in all schools. Colonisation caused the Māori language to almost disappear from Aotearoa, and here at Newtown School we are working hard to be part of the revitalisation of te reo Māori. On Wednesday, the whole school participated in the Māori Language Moment by gathering together to sing Ka Pioioi, followed by a free sausage sizzle.

While our country's connection with the British Crown is a remnant from the time of colonisation, and brings to mind the ongoing impact of colonisation on all of us and especially Māori, we are also mindful of the example of service set for us by Queen Elizabeth II. The Queen served the community from a position of great privilege, while the Māori Language Petition was the result of a 'grass roots' community service movement. The impact of both illustrates for us that we all have a role to play in the future of Aotearoa through our contributions to a fairer and more just community.

Tōku reo, tōku ohooho, tōku reo, tōku māpihi maurea, tōku reo, tōku whakakai marihi!

My language is my treasure, my language is my object of affection, my language is my ornamental grace.

On Monday 26th September, there will be no school, as we observe Queen Elizabeth II Memorial Day. Enjoy this extra whānau time together.

On Wednesday our Kapa Haka Rōpū performed at PWC to mark Te Wiki o Te Reo Māori. Ngāti Kotahitanga also attended Tama Iti's 'I Will Not Speak Māori' exhibition this week.

Our Year 3-6 learners have been participating in Inspiring the Future sessions to hear from volunteer role models in our community, learn about different jobs and why people love doing them, as well as their pathway and challenges they faced along the way. Inspiring the Future has been created to broaden young people's horizons, and help challenge stereotypes that can limit young peoples' potential. Ask your young person about these events, which have been held for Waitangi this week, and will continue for Pōhutukawa next week.

We are glad to have these tamariki join our school: Praise Tanuvasa and Florence Blakemore

Leanne Whitfield
Tumuaki Tuarua | Deputy Principal

IMPORTANT DATES

TERM THREE: 25 July - 30 September

- **26 September** - Queen Elizabeth II Memorial Day
- **30 September** - Last day of school term

TERM FOUR: 17 October - 15 December

- **25 October** - Staff Only Day
- **26 October** - School Athletics Day

"QUOTE OF THE WEEK"

"You're kids are awesome!"
by Makere from
Inspiring the Future
Aotearoa

Frances Hudson



Kia Ora, Ko Frances ahau.

I grew up in Gisborne, and have lived in Wellington for the last 17 years, with my family. Lars and I have 3 children, my sons Bobby and Hemi are now at Rongotai College and my daughter, Viv, starts SWIS next year.

I retrained as a teacher 12 years ago, and had my first student placement at Newtown school. I've since worked mainly in the juniors - 5 year olds have amazing perspectives on the world. I currently teach Reading Recovery part time, and find Newtown a beautiful place to work.

Outside of work, I support my children interests (mainly sport) and enjoy gardening and going to the beach when its sunny, and reading when its not. Sometimes we manage to get the family away tramping or visit the family in Christchurch or Gisborne.

Nicole Schotters

Ko Nicole toku ingoa, nō Tiamana au me he kaiawhina kaiako ahau.
Hi everyone.

My name is Nicole, I am from Germany and I work as a teacher assistant at Newtown School and South Wellington Intermediate (SWIS).

During the years at Newtown School I worked in nearly every whanau. At the moment you can find me in Waitangi and Pohutukawa where I support the kids mainly in maths and literacy.

Last year I also started to support our librarian Sam with our new library system.

Ngā mihi
Nicole



Te Kākano had an amazing time at Parliament last week, having a look into how our Parliament works and getting to see where all the action happens.

Can anyone spot the special guest who popped in to say Hello?

LEARNERS LIMELIGHT

"We learnt from Inspiring the Future Aotearoa that there is a free supermarket where people can go and get food if they don't have enough money. Being connected to our community is one of our values - whānaungatanga."

Celebrations

What we are celebrating this week

- We fundraised **\$3247.54** from Market Day. This is one of our biggest yet! Thank you for your support!
- Party Pigs - a show by Little Dog Barking Theatre performed a funny and entertaining show about a pigs birthday. Lots of laughs from Tūi and Harakeke - ask your students about it.

Thank you to all those who voted, the results are as follows:

Newtown School Board Elections

Parent & Staff Elections Results

Parent Representatives

Nicholas Booth

Naomi Taylor

Jessica Gorman

Joseph Winkels

Siti Mardhiah

Staff Representative

Fatima Amon Sheikh

Melissa Kooiman

Returning Officer



E mihi ana ki a Julia rāua ko Michael, parents in Pōhutukawa who managed to get Te Kura o Ngā Puna Waiora some free Lego from Countdown.

Ka nui te mihi ki a Countdown hoki mō tōu manaakitanga.

The children and teachers are super happy and thankful!



Street for People Photos from last week's launch. Thank to all who were involved in organising the day, riding with our tamariki and making and serving yummy hot soup (one of our tamariki had 6 servings!)



COVID UPDATE

Mask wearing is no longer required.

All the other recommended public health measures will stay in place as we know they reduce the spread of infectious illnesses including COVID-19.

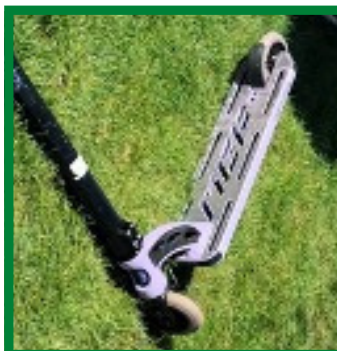
These include,

- ensuring our indoor spaces are well-ventilated
- maintaining good hand hygiene
- encouraging everyone to cough or sneeze into elbows
- staying home and getting tested if they have COVID-19 symptoms

Thank you for your ongoing support in protecting our community.



Welcome to Kōanga (spring). In the māra (garden) we are getting ready to plant potatoes. If you have any potatoes in your drawers or cupboards at home looking like these, they're perfect to plant into compost to grow your own potatoes. If you would like to donate them to our kura for us to grow please contact tania - taniaa@newtown.school.nz or 021464893. Thanks!



A Madd Gear purple and black scooter went missing from the bike cage last week. If it's accidentally gone home with you, please return it.



NEWTOWN RESIDENTS' ASSN.

Te Whatu Ora
Health New Zealand
Capital, Coast and Hutt Valley



Newtown Clean-Up

Friday 23rd September 2022
2pm-4pm



Where: Meet at Wellington Regional Hospital beside the out-of-hours entrance (turn right before the main entrance and follow the path to the car park)

Bring: Some flat and comfortable footwear and a warm jacket. We have some grabbers to share, but bring your own sturdy gloves!



Clean Up Week 2022

SEPTEMBER 17-23

SAVE THE DATE

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WELLINGTON FREE AMBULANCE

ONESIE APPEAL






Your support keeps our services free!


A huge thank you to all who donated to our Onesie Day fundraiser. We raised \$531.88 for Wellington Free Ambulance

Please **NAME** your **CHILD's CLOTHING**. We have lots of lost clothes. If it is named we can return it to who it belongs 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**



For the safety of our student, please cross at the pedestrian crossing at the lights on Emmett St and Riddiford St.



Holiday Programme

3rd – 14th October 2022
SKIDS NEWTOWN
 Newtown School
 Mein Street, Newtown

Monday 3rd	Tuesday 4th	Wednesday 5th	Thursday 6th	Friday 7th
SPROUTING SEEDS Decorate a flowerpot, form seed bombs and macrame a plant hanger. Then test non-Newtonian mud and guess who's hiding the seed... ARTS & CRAFTS STEM	BLOWING BUBBLES Pop bubbles, make colourful art and create giant bubbles. Whip up yummy bubbly slices all before making your own bubble wand. ARTS & CRAFTS COOKING	TRAMPOLINE PARK Get ready to release your energy and jump and flip and jump some more! <i>Remember to bring a pair of socks.</i> TRIP	FUN FOR THE SOUL Become a mindfulness master and play games that will boost your awareness! Fuel your body with goodness while filling your gratitude jar! TEAMWORK WELLNESS	TRACK & FIELD Compete in challenges and cheer on your team! We'll compare scores with other sKids sites and the winning site will receive a special prize! TEAMWORK WELLNESS
Monday 10th	Tuesday 11th	Wednesday 12th	Thursday 13th	Friday 14th
MESSY MONDAY Immerse your senses in all things messy play! Get silly, splatter paint and create ooey, gooey, rubbery goop to squish and squash. ARTS & CRAFTS STEM	ZEALANDIA WILDLIFE Explore the biodiverse habitat that protect birds, reptiles and plants that are special to Aotearoa and what makes them so special to us. TRIP	CRITTERS IN THE GARDEN Craft musical crickets and munch on tasty insects for tea! Move like critters in a relay race and match critter Q's with your teammates. MUSIC TEAMWORK	UNDERWATER TREASURES Swim through an ocean of experiments and build a glowing underwater habitat filled with fish and plants to take home! PREMIUM	FROM A TO B Learn about migration and experiment with sailing boats and model planes. Then craft fluttering butterflies and rocking birds. ARTS & CRAFTS STEM

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HOLIDAY WRITING WORKSHOP

Learn the secrets of writing great stories from an award-winning author

● 3 day writing camp for ages 9-14
 ● 1 day workshop for ages 7-10

Meet your presenter:

Maria Gill
 The award-winning author of over 60 books including Anzac Heroes and New Zealand Disasters






Andy Griffiths says...
"I wish this camp had been around when I was a young writer!"



"I loved meeting other young authors and learning awesome techniques that will help my writing."
 Gabriella (14)

"It made writing easier for me and explained aspects of stories I didn't really understand."
 Anna (12)

HOLIDAY Art WORKSHOP

Learn to draw like a professional artist with a professional artist

● 3 day art camp for ages 9-14
 ● 1 day workshop for ages 7-10

Meet your artist:

Fifi Colston
 Award-winning author/illustrator of books such as Wearable Wonders and Torty and the Soldier








You'll learn...

- How to draw a cool character
- Different media and techniques
- How to create storyboards
- How to create a multi layered artwork
- But most of all, you'll have heaps of fun!



Where: **Scots College**
 1 Monorgan Road, Strathmore Park, Wellington
 When: **11 Oct to 13 Oct 2022**

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WriteLikeanAuthor.com



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