



PRINCIPAL'S PĀNUI

Kia ora whānau

Well what a term we have had - it feels like for the first time our community has freedom to connect together. Our tamariki have had so many learning experiences of all kinds.

Staffing news: Term 3 is the time when we start to plan forward for the following year.

Some kaiako have plans to move away from Newtown School at the end of the year for new adventures. We will farewell and celebrate these awesome people. They are all with us for Term Four and although we are sad to see people leave us, they each have plans to look forward to. Each person gives us their time and expertise, before continuing their journey to share this with others.

Julia Harris has taught in Tūi for 4 years. She is off to Christchurch to be a fantastic and adoring grandparent.

Trent Taylor has secured a job at Kapiti College teaching Musical Theatre which is one of his first loves and a definite talent.

Hannah Gilmore has been with us since she was a beginning teacher. She will head to Australia at Christmas.

Kāren King has resigned from her permanent part time role at Newtown School but has plenty of plans for the future and we hope to still see her as a relieving teacher.

Hannah Powell is moving to Auckland to be closer to her whānau.

Keith Hutton has been on leave since mid 2021 and has now officially resigned from his position.

We thank all of these people for their commitment and connection in our school community.

Arohanui Strings Fundraiser: Last term, Arohanui Strings ran a pilot programme at Newtown School to assess the interest in an ongoing string music education programme. They are keen to establish lessons at Newtown School in 2023, and are hosting a fundraising concert on Tuesday 18th October at Wellington High School. Click [here](#) for more information.

We welcome our new students who have joined our school in the last two weeks; Janice Justin and Devon Beaumont.

Have a wonderful holiday break with your whānau. We hope the sunshine appears a bit more frequently for us.

Nicki Read
Tumuaki | Principal

IMPORTANT DATES

TERM THREE: 25 July - 30 September

- **30 September** - Last day of school term

TERM FOUR: 17 October - 15 December

- **20 October** - Official Pool Opening
- **24 October** - Labour Day - NO school
- **25 October** - Staff Only Day - NO school
- **26 October** - School Athletics Day
- **2 - 4 November** - Year 6 Camp
- **21 - 25 November** - NK Noho Marae
- **7 December** - Picnic in the Park
- **14 December** - Year 6 Leavers Dinner
- **15 December** - Last day of the year

Please note there is
NO SCHOOL
24th October -
Labour Day &
25th October -
Staff Only Day

Kāren King



Kia orāna, Tālofa lava, Mālō e lelei
Ko Kāren tōku ingoa.
Ko Putara tōna iwi.
No te motu o Rarotonga ia.
I tipu ake au i Te Whanganui a Tara.

I am Wellington born and bred and educated here. I spent 4 years living and working in London, UK. I spent most of my time travelling in the Middle East and limited travelling time in Europe. I also lived and worked in Japan for a year. I like to keep active by walking, cycling and going to spinning classes. I have participated in the Taupo Cycling Challenge as well as other cycle challenges in the North Island. My quiet downtime is spent reading, tapestry and gardening. I am a bit of a history buff and I have a History app on my mobile phone and have been thoroughly captivated with the different podcasts.

My immediate whānau live in Rarotonga, Cook Islands whom I try to visit once a year.

As a teacher at Te Kura o Ngā Puna Waiora I have taught from Y1 - Y6. I have appreciated the diversity and richness of different cultures the students bring. It is brilliant seeing their zest and fun for learning and the friendships they have established. I have been fortunate and appreciative to have worked with teachers who are caring, enthusiastic and passionate about teaching.

Noho haumaruru me te hauora.

Ngā mihi mahana.

Jack Smith

Kia Ora,

I'm Jack, a Teacher assistant working in Harakeke and Waitangi.

I work at the school during the week and manage a cocktail bar on the evenings in the weekend, which keeps me very busy.

In my spare time I enjoy catching up with friends, boxing, tennis and haunting cafes.

Ngā mihi



Mitch Jordan

Ngā mihi nui ki te whānau

No Aerana, Kotimana me Ingarani ōku tūpuna.

I tupu ake ahau ki Waihōpai.

E noha ana au ki Tapu te Ranga.

I grew up in Invercargill in the deep south, and now live in Island Bay, close to the sea which I love!

I have been a part of Te Kura o Ngā Puna Waiora for 4 ½ years, and have loved getting to journey with you all. I feel extremely privileged to teach in Te Kākano - our bilingual programme - and it is a real highlight hearing our ākonga using te reo Māori and making sense of the bicultural journey of our nation. The willingness and bravery of our ākonga to confront ideas of injustice and racism, and to see their desire to make a positive difference is inspiring!

I also work as an Across School Lead in our Kāhui Ako - community of learning. You can find out more about what we do [here](#).

In my spare(ish) time I am completing a Doctorate through Victoria University of Wellington - the end is in sight which is exciting!

Ma te huruhuru, ka rere te manu

Adorn the bird with feathers and it will fly

This whakatauaūki underpins my commitment as a kaiako, with a desire to see all our ākonga achieving success and flying high!

Come and chat anytime - I always have an open door and enjoy connecting with whānau



LEARNERS LIMELIGHT

"I like Manaaki Monday
because I like to connect with
other people that I never
knew before."

Minnie from Harakeke

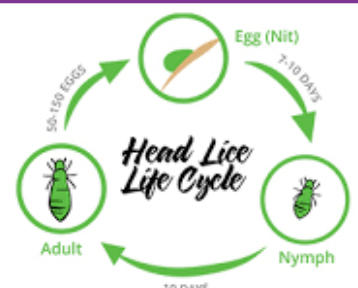
Celebrations

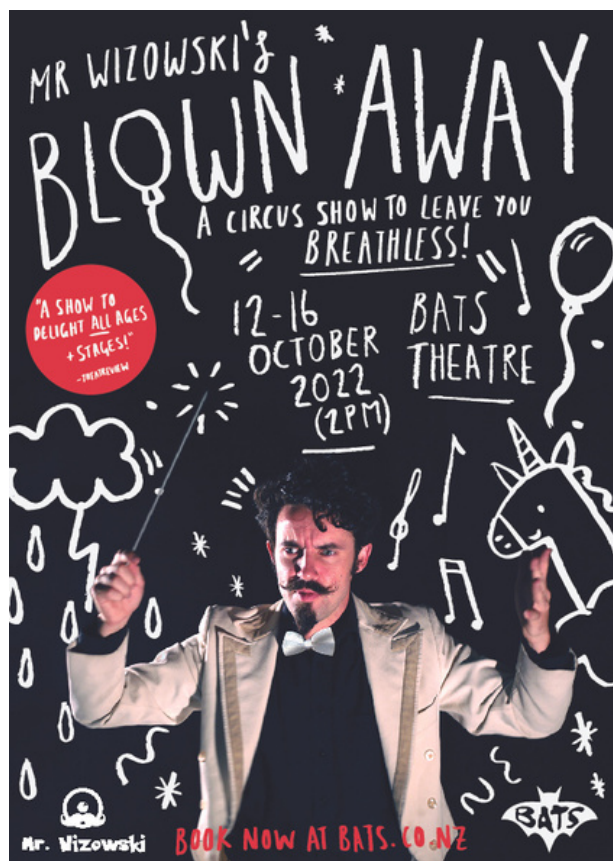
What we are celebrating this week

- We had a fun Cards of Awesome Celebration Day on Tuesday
- A big thank you to SECC who donated some hockey equipment to our school

HEAD LICE

The school holidays is a great time to treat your child's hair for head lice. Remember you can get a free script for head lice treatment from your doctor.







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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.



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

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.

Please **NO** parking in the Staff Car Park and St. Annes Carpark!

Lets keep our children **SAFE**



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



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 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	Tuesday 11th 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	Wednesday 12th 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	Thursday 13th UNDERWATER TREASURES Swim through an ocean of experiments and build a glowing underwater habitat filled with fish and plants to take home! PREMIUM	Friday 14th 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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ADVENTURE WEEKEND

KIA NGĀKAU HIHIRI - CURIOUS

Upper Hutt edition

Friday 12pm to Sunday 12pm during the year as advertised.
 Cost: \$699.50 per cub | Age range: 5 - 17 years | 15% Off for Wild Card Holders.
 Food, accommodation, transport and supervision are all included in the package.
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For Adventures Closer to Home
 10th - 12th March 2023

● **Friday:** Depart from the centre or school at 12pm.

Day Activities: On the way to the accommodation, stop at H2O Xtream <https://www.h2oxtream.com/Home>
 Set up camp (Kaitoke regional park) <https://www.newzealand.com/nz/feature/kaitoke-regional-park/>

Night Activities: Explore the park and star gazing

● **Saturday**

Day Activities: Wellington rafting - <https://www.wellingtonrafting.nz/white-water-rafting>
 Patuna Farm adventures - <https://www.patunafarm.co.nz/> (Plan B)

Night Activities: Wellington speedway <https://www.wellingtonspeedway.co.nz/calendar>
 Bonfire by the river (Plan B)

Sunday: Depart camp at 10am
 Dropped at home/centre at 12pm