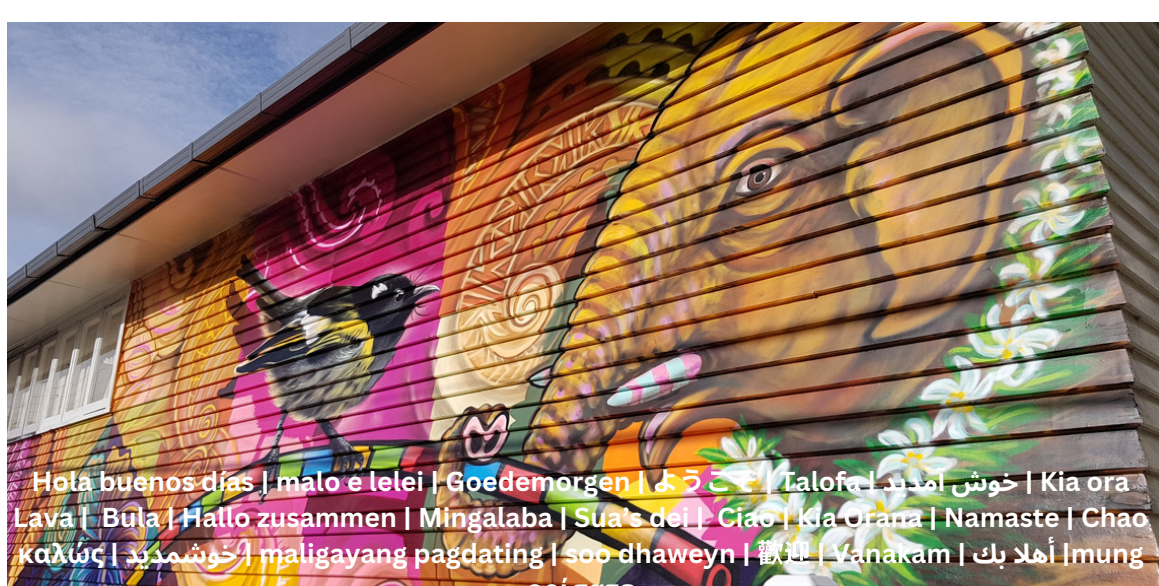


# Friends and whānau of Newtown School Newsletter



Term 1 | Week 4 | February 2023

## Principal's Panui:

What a week in our nation. Our thoughts have very much been with those across our country who are in the midst of managing challenging times in the face of the floods. The news is full of the mix of tough times, mixed with efforts of support and help. Remember to help our children notice both the positive and the challenge and the way communities work together.

At kura, it's been a busy and productive couple of weeks with all sorts of great learning across the school. Come in and have a look around the spaces to see what your child has been working on-it is great we can share our spaces and learning. We finished this week working with Seeds to Feed by cooking and crafting in preparation for a community feast later this term. Check out the notice below.

### Promote peaceful solutions and kindness

We want to be known as a kura who are peaceful and helpful. We expect that everyone treats others with kindness and care in all aspects of our day. Talk with your tamariki about how this looks and sounds for them at school. Challenges are normal for us all-we have choices in the ways we respond. Each person can make a difference to those around them by being an example. Sometimes the words we hear are: "I can pay back." Replace this with "I can respond in a different way by...breathing, taking five, helping others, speaking positively." There are many ways to solve challenges,

A few reminders for us:

**School start:** we are noticing some late arrivals to school. Please aim to be at school with plenty of time for them to get sorted for their day.

**Attendance-**we track this every week. To help us, it's really important to let us know why your child is away.

### Dates Coming up:

**Paid Union Meeting:** please **pick up your children from school at 1:30pm on Wednesday the 1st March** if possible as all the teachers will be at a union meeting.

**Whakamōhio:** Tuesday 28th and Thursday 2nd next week- do make time to book with teachers to come and share what is important for us to know about your tamariki. We really want to see every family.

**Newtown festival:** come and support our local community-Our kapa haka rōpu are opening the event early. Watch the space for details to come.

Have a relaxing weekend. See you next week

Na mihi nui,

Whaea Nicki: Tumuaki | Principal

## Important Dates to Remember:

### Term One: 1 February - 6 April

- **28 February** - Whakamōhio
- **1 March** - Paid Union Meeting for Teachers - 1:30pm
- **2 March** - Whakamōhio
- **5 March** - Newtown Festival
- **7 - 9 March** - Year 6 Camp
- **28 March** - Cross Country
- **6 April** - Staff Only Day - school is closed

## Welcome to our New Student:

Usra Ibrahim



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Aumangea**

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learn from what we do*



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**Effort  
Kia Kaha**

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## Important - Please Read:

### Whakamōhio - Learning conversations

We would like to meet with all of you. We'd love you to share the important knowledge you have of your child with us (Whakamōhio). We value this knowledge so we can inspire your child into their best learning. We want to know the many ways they are successful and what you are hoping for this year.

Choose either **Tuesday 28 February OR Thursday 2 March** to join a Whakamōhio meeting to talk with your child's home teacher.

Book a time to meet with the teacher in the whānau space at school. These are three way hui; teacher, parent, student. The expectation is that your child is present at these meetings.

The meeting can be booked by going to **[www.schoolinterviews.co.nz](http://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz)**. Enter the event code **x6tgd**, or phone the school office if you would like help.

If you are unable to attend, please contact your child's home kaiako to make an appointment for a different time.



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## Quote OF THE WEEK

"Man, this is the  
best group!"

New Manaaki Monday  
groups starting to get to  
know each other and  
work together for the first  
time.

### IMPORTANT REMINDER:

#### Teachers' Paid Union Meeting Wednesday 1st March

**If you can, please pick up your child at  
1:30pm**

NZEI are holding a paid union meeting for all teacher members on Wednesday 1st March.

Most of our teachers will be off site on the afternoon of Wednesday 1st March. **If you are able to collect your child at 1.30pm** on this day we would be very grateful. There will be some staff on site to supervise those who cannot be collected.

**Please contact the office if you need your child/ren to stay at school from 1.30pm on Wednesday 1st March**

We apologise for the inconvenience but this is an important meeting that the teachers need to attend.



## Notices:



**NEWTOWN WHĀNAU PICNIC**

WITH SPECIAL GUESTS  
**THE CRASH BANDIHOOTS**

JOIN THE GUEST LIST

3 pm till 6 pm  
**Sunday 19 March 2023**

A fun family event with a special connection to the rangatahi of Newtown School  
Visit [www.seedstofeeds.nz/events](http://www.seedstofeeds.nz/events) for more information

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**NEW ZEALAND RED CROSS**  
RĀPEKA WHERO AOTEAROA

## Cyclone Gabrielle

Our thoughts are with friends, whānau and everyone who has been affected by the devastation of Cyclone Gabrielle.

If you would like to make a donation to the Red Cross Disaster Relief Fund please click [here](#).




**NEWTOWN FESTIVAL 2023**

**AJA • JULIA DEANS**

THE WARRATAHS • HALF HEXAGON • KIRSTEN TE RITO  
THE NUDE • LUKE BUDA • WOMB • FUN & FUNNER  
BUB • VERA ELLEN • JAEDYN RANDALL • WALLACE  
DICK MOVE • BAD TASTE • TOOMS • HANBEE • MO ETC.  
AGATHA PANIHA • AW B • BEANS BABES • BELLADONNA • BIG GIRLS WITH REACT  
BIDMANN & EGO • BIRGPARTY • BLEEDING STAR • BRIGHT SKY • BITD BITCHES • BUCK ROGERS  
BUDDY NICE • CANADIAN TUXEDO • CAPOERA ANGOLA • STREET RODA  
CARB ON CARB • CIRCUS HUB STUDENTS • COOL KIDS PLAY HARD • COTTON DAISY BACKSTEP  
CRASH BANDHOOT • CRONE • CRYING CLUB • CULTURE EMBASSY BAND • DAHTM  
DAMON MANNING • DANICA BRYANT • DEATH WITHOUT A PRIEST • DIE • DEEPSTATE  
DIRTY SPOONS • DISPLEASURE • DJ AYESHA • DJ KERB • FELDING'S BEST DANCERS  
FOOTNOTE NEW ZEALAND DANCE • GIRL BEST FRIEND • GOODNIGHT MY DARLING • GRETA O'LEARY  
HANNAH DAVENPORT • HAWAIIAN DANCE WELLINGTON • HEAR HEMINGWAY • HOOT N' ANNIES  
HIPPRESS • BIKKA • JAPES • JOK • JUDY VIBRADO • JULIA BROMLEY • KATELYN REED  
KELLY CHAPMAN • KENNY'S FIRST SET • KING FISH • KIEZMER REBS  
KRAKERJACK! • KUBATANA & THE MORNING DANCERS • LANDLORDS • LAURA OAKLEY  
MÄ • MAJOR MINOR • MATT JOE GOW • MATTHIAS GOED • MEO THERON  
MEKAR BHUJANA AOTEAROA BALINESE GAMELAN & DANCE • MIKRO DIE • MIRROCK RITUAL • MOTTE  
MOVE IT DANCEWORKS • MR FUNGUS • MR WIDOWSKI • MYSTERY WAITRESS • MYSTIC  
NICOLE MAISEY • ODA DANCE STUDIO • OLIN YOLITZLI • ORLETA DANCE ENSEMBLE  
ORZEL DANCE ENSEMBLE • PEYTON MORETE • POP O.D. • RACHEL ANDIE • RADIOACTIVE FM DJS  
RECITALS • REGINA HEGEMANN • RENEE MILNER • BO THO • RPSHIP • SINGI COMMUNITY CHOR  
SILJIN • SOLID OLD DANCE CREW • SOUNDS ALMIGHTY SOUND SYSTEM • SEEDS OF RAINBOWS  
STEPPA D • STORYTELLERS FROM WELLINGTON'S POLISH COMMUNITY • SUGARFOOT STOMP  
SWAMP SHACK CREW • TARRANT DANCERS TRAFFIC ANGELS • TE KAHUREREMOA  
TE KAPA HAKA O TE KURA O NGĀ PUNA WAIORA • NEWTOWN SCHOOL • THE CIRCUS HUB  
THE FLYING FEMMES • THE SHE JAYS • TO THE FRONT CAMPERS • TORY BLUES • TONYKOT  
UNLAWFUL ARISE • VICTOR VICTORIOUS • VETKIDS • WARM REGARDS • WELCOMER  
WELLINGTON BATUCADA • WELLINGTON CHINESE SPORTS & CULTURAL CENTRE  
WELLINGTON FIRE AND FLOW CLUB • WELLINGTON YOUTH CIRCUS • WILLOW

**SUNDAY 5 MARCH**

[NEWTOWNFESTIVAL.ORG.NZ](http://NEWTOWNFESTIVAL.ORG.NZ)

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**Cafe Connections**  
Friday 3rd March - 2pm  
in the new staff room

Come have a cuppa, a chat and get to know some of our parents and whānau