

Friends and whānau of Newtown School Newsletter



Term 1 | Week 10 | April 2023

Principal's Panui:

Kia ora koutou,

Thank you for a supportive term of work together. I hope you have a restful Easter and holiday. Take time to slow down and enjoy a different start time to your day.

Highlights for the week:

- **Brave Students:** How awesome to see the performers at our variety show. It takes courage to stand before an audience of 300 to sing, tell jokes and entertain. Ka rawe!
- **Amazing Kaiako.** We have caring, talented teachers at our kura and our learners are fortunate to have dedicated, thoughtful staff doing everything they can to inspire our tamariki. Recently I have spent time talking with our new kaiako to hear their joys of working at our school, ways we help each other and ideas they have.
- **Caring Community.** I have heard offers of sports coaching, sharing music, art, fence building, gardening, volunteer readers, writing support - all from people in our community. We are fortunate to have many who see the value of contributing to make our school be the best it can be.

Last week our leadership attended a Principal's conference and heard from a range of inspiring people who had faced significant challenges in their lives: William Pike, Cam Calkoen, David Downs, Joanahn-Woo, Ngahihi o te ra Bidois. Look them up to see what they have experienced.

We were reminded of the power of others seeing potential and inspiring us, to have dreams for change, that although we can't predict the future, we can prepare and that we all have stories to share that impact others.

We were asked; what is the story we tell? Of ourselves, of our family and of our school. There was plenty for us to consider as we enter a holiday where there is a little more thinking time.

Coming up:

Staff Only days: Thursday 6th April our local iwi is leading us by bus and walking to share stories that are our local history.

Monday 24th April staff explore and discuss ways the new curriculum refresh will impact our we teach and learn.

Two important dates for whānau-both crucial.

Te Tiriti o Waitangi: Wednesday 3rd May we are being led by Nathan Waaka as Te Tiriti partners and what this means for us all. More information to come.

Cyber safety: Thursday 15th June: This is relevant and topical for our tamariki. More information to come.

Important Dates to Remember:

Term One: 1 February - 6 April

- **5 April** - Last School day of the term
- **6 April** - Staff Only Day - school is closed

Term Two: 24 April - 30 June

- **24 April** - Staff Only Day - school is closed
- **25 April** - ANZAC Day
- **26 April** - First day of school



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 Kia Kaha**

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 Mahira**

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Welcome to our New Students:

Elyjah Lolo-Iosua
 Jasper Nolan
 Rohan Achilles Daganio

Notices:



Working Men's Bowling Club Consultation

The Council is now seeking feedback regarding the future of the former Workingmen's Bowling Club site at 177 Owen Street, Newtown.

In 2021 the bowling club closed, and the building and grounds reverted to Council. In 2022 Council agreed to allocate \$1.5m to either remove, upgrade, or develop the building and grounds for ongoing community use.

We are really appreciative of your insights from the work with Anne Cunningham in 2022, and in particular the on-site hui. We would like to hear your views on the future of 177 Owen Street to make sure the site meets the needs of Newtown, including:

- What recreation opportunities you think are missing in Newtown
- What recreation activities and facilities you would like to see at 177 Owen Street

For more information about this project, please visit the Let's Talk web page: click [here](#)

To share your views, please:

- Complete our short survey on the Let's Talk page
- Share your feedback in person:
 - Newtown Hall, 4 April 7:30pm
 - Newtown Market, 1 & 15 April

Please do let me know if you will be attending the workshop at Newtown Hall so I know roughly how many people to expect – and make sure I bring enough tea & biscuits!

All feedback must be received by 27 April 2023.

If you have any questions or concerns about this project, please do not hesitate to get in touch at: workingmensclub@wcc.govt.nz or phone 04 499 4444.

Ngā mihi, Annelise Bos



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The Wellington City Council has developed a **Draft Open Space and Recreation Strategy - Te Whai Oranga Pōneke, which means 'in pursuit of wellness'.**

It will provide an overarching framework and strategic direction for the Council to manage its public open space, recreation facilities and recreation programmes and services over the next 30 years.

We're keen to understand if we've hit the mark with the draft strategy or if you would like to share your thoughts with us simply fill in the short consultation survey please click [here](#). The consultation period goes until 5pm Friday 14 April 2023.

- One particular aspect of the strategy that may be of interest is the desire to continue working in partnership with schools to support physical education and environmental education programmes and share facilities and resources (see Action C8 page 62).

We would greatly value feedback from the school communities in Wellington, so please do share with those who may be interested.

For any other queries you can contact the team direct at openspacesandrecreation@wcc.govt.nz

Notices:

Breakfast Club
 will start back
 in Term 2 on
 Monday 1st
 May

sKids
Holiday Programme
 11 – 14 April and 17 – 21 April
 MSD-Approved. Work & Income
 OSCAR Subsidy available!

sKids Holy Cross Miramar
 Holy Cross School, Miramar
 2 Athens Street Miramar, Wellington

Customer Service: 0800 274 172
Onsite: 027 644 2388

Book now at skids.co.nz/holy_cross_miramar
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Week 1

Monday 10th	Tuesday 11th	Wednesday 12th	Thursday 13th	Friday 14th
Easter Monday Public holiday. No skids today.	Young Inventors Using recycled materials and some kiwi ingenuity, let your imagination run wild and create your own invention today!	The Force Celebrating the first human space flight, we'll use The Force to help navigate us through this skids Galaxy.	Premium: Brick Antics Brick Antics are visiting with everything needed for some LEGO filled fun! Create, play and challenge yourself today.	sKids Cook Out Pop your chef hat on and get ready for a day full of cooking and kitchen inspired arts, crafts, games, and more!

Week 2

Monday 17th	Tuesday 18th	Wednesday 19th	Thursday 20th	Friday 21st
Train the Dragon + Chess Step into the magical world of Dragons and Castles and make your very own wooden chess set that you can take home!	sKids Super Squad Take on our Superhero training course, create your own cape and mini-figure to become the greatest Superhero of all time!	Trip: Land of the Long Long Drive We're off to the Circa Theatre to watch the live performance of Land of the Long Long Drive - a classic road story with a kiwi twist!	Mechanical Madness Beep, beep, boop your way through today as you crack codes, design robots and show off your mechanical and dancing skills.	Invest in our Planet Investing in our planet and partake in the Global Cleanup, repurposing recycled materials, and more!

Activity Key



Scan here to get an interactive Planner! Click on a day to find out more details

Kōrero MAI
KŌRERO ATŪ
MAURI TŪ, MAURI ORA
 SPEAK UP, STAND TOGETHER, STOP BULLYING
FRIDAY 19 MAY 2023

PINK SHIRT DAY 23

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IBU - WU - BNU PRESENTS
FOOTBALL HOLIDAY PROGRAMME
APRIL 11 - 21
 WAKEFIELD PARK, ISLAND BAY

IMPROVE YOUR SOCCER TECHNIQUES & SKILLS

\$40 PER DAY - 10% DISCOUNT FOR 5+ DAYS
 MORE INFO AT WWW.ISLANDBAYUNITED.ORG

Scan to register!

Join Sustainability Trust at a **Wellington City Council City Housing**

GARDEN SIGN MAKING WORKSHOP

Keen to let neighbours know what's going on in your personal or community garden spaces? Get the family together and make some beautiful signs!

TWO SCHOOL HOLIDAY SESSIONS:

- **Thursday 13th April, 1-3pm.** Rintoul Street Villas community room, 261 Rintoul Street, Newtown.
- **Thursday 20th April, 1-3pm.** Te Ara Hou Apartments community room, 48 Constable Street, Newtown.

Delicious afternoon tea included. Wood, paint and brushes also provided. Bring any extra materials you'd like to use with you!

Stay in the loop via <https://www.facebook.com/SustainabilityTrust/>

Email any questions to City Housing Community Development Facilitator Alex.Hunter@wcc.govt.nz