

# NEWSLETTER



## Tumuaki Pānui

Kia ora e te whānau,

A warm welcome back to term 3 in the face of the rain and cold weather. We are very grateful to have warm classrooms in our kura over the winter months.

### Thank you

**Thank you to parents** who ventured down to school for a conversation with the teachers. Your children will see that you value their education. We all want the best for them and for them to see that we are a team working towards the same goal - to be the best learner you can be.

**Thank you to the teachers:** We really appreciate the extra hours, conversations and time you take to reflect and work with our families. It makes a huge difference and we are so lucky to have the expertise we do in our team.

**Thank you to Mark:** For two weeks Mark has been leading our whole school in dance in preparations for our celebration at the end of term. The students leave the hall with smiles, having tried something new and knowing the joy of everyone working together. Mark leads this with great energy, skill, endless patience and 'vibe'.

### A surprise this week for me

I recently received a compelling letter from a student at school outlining why she would be an excellent candidate to be Principal. Her aim was to affirm what I do, plus give me some pointers for improvement! How inspirational.. This week we met to discuss the terms of her letter (with her business partner) and negotiated our agreed plan ahead. Below are some of my favourite lines from her writing

'Nicki, I love your work and I think it is amazing but I think it could use a little spice. I know I can bring that extra taste. I really look up to you as a role model and I can really learn something from you..'

'I can also be a good role model to some people - I am really responsible. I am really caring, nice, loving and joyful' She has outlined three key actions, all of which are awesome ideas.

- Hire a Samoan teacher who will understand our Samoan community for building Samoan leaders. Ask those in the Samoan community about their connections.
- Strengthen the sports programme by using some experts and contacts we have already in our community
- Extend our curriculum to include sewing, more science, geometry and construction

*What fun and watch out for the mysterious Principal coming our way!*

**Have a wonderful weekend everyone, stay warm, enjoy a hot chocolate and your favourite winter activity.**

Ngā mihi nui,

Whaea Nicki  
Tumuaki | Principal

WHĀNAUNGATANGA  
CONNECTED

He iwi tahi tātou, he ako tahi tātou  
We belong and we learn together

## Important dates

- **Week 3 - Week 5** - Pedal Ready
- **Thursday 15th August** - Te Kākano Fashion Show
- Board Meeting
- **Friday 13th September** - Onesie Day
- **17th - 21st September** - Te Wiki o te reo Māori
- **Week 10** - Performance Celebration
- **Friday 27th September** - Last day of Term 3

## Welcome to our new students

- Thomas Kohere-Puncheon
- Canon Kohere-Puncheon
- Aaron Renji Thomas
- Blessna Sunil
- Gaya Munna
- Adhvik Akhil Cheradiyil
- Anahi Bell
- Lilian Cooke Harvie
- Haniya Ebramjee
- Kataraina Lal-Fuimaono
- Awanuiārangi Draghi Cumming

## Attendance

It is really important that all children attend school every day unless they are sick. Every day attendance increases learning.

**If your child is going to be away please call or email us.**

 04 389 6667

 away@newtown.school.nz

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## School Notices



BRRRR.....  
It's cold out there....



This jacket was mistakenly hung on the lost property rack on Tuesday and was taken. If you find it please return it to the office. Thanks.

## Horoia ō ringaringa



Keep washing hands as there are a few tummy bugs around. If your child has been vomiting or had diarrhea-keep them home for 48 hours to save any bugs spreading.



## Head Lice

There are cases of head lice at school. Please be vigilant with checking your children's hair. If you do get head lice in your family, everyone that has them should be treated at the same time. Let the school and any close friends know that your child has been treated for head lice.

Information pamphlets available in front office

# Winners!

Congratulations to  
Teara Leaupepe Timoteo  
&  
Frances Mountier!

You have won Countdown Vouchers for completing the Newtown School Travel Survey. Come see us in the front office to collect your prizes.

KIA NGĀKAU HIHIRI CURIOUS Ka miharo, ka tūpono, ka auaha tātou.  
We wonder, take risks and innovate

# School Notices continued

## Free bike locks

Thanks to Wellington City Council, we have some bike locks to give away. If your child needs one in order to bring their bike to school, please come to the office.



## Join the walking school bus!

We are starting a walking school bus. The route will be along Riddiford Street.

For now, this will only be a **walk to school bus**. If you are interested in your children being part of the walking bus then...

- Let the office know by email OR pop in!
- Pick a day you will walk with the children

There will be two meetings points:

1. **8:30am corner of Riddiford and Rhodes St** (by the nature building and roundabout)
2. **8:45am Newtown Library Playground**

## SCOOTER CAGE REMINDER

The scooter cage is now being monitored between 3pm & 3:10pm.

The cage will be locked at 3:10pm.

Please pick up any scooters before going to play.



# Around our kura

The term has kicked off to a very musical start...



The wonderful people at Arohanui Strings + are now offering free string and brass instrument tuition at school every Thursday 3-4:45pm. **Kai is provided!**

Arohanui Strings + is an all inclusive music charity that offers free music tuition to tamariki throughout the Wellington and Hutt region. Through 11 after school classes we take our students to the levels they wish to attain, whether it is to study music at University, or just to have fun with their Arohanui whanau. Instruments offered at Newtown Primary are violin, cello, viola, bass, trumpet, trombone, tuba, and french horn. Our classes run Thursdays from 3 to 4:45pm.

Register at:  
[arohanuistrings.org](http://arohanuistrings.org)



Check out this free Arohanui String + event this Thursday at the Newtown Community Centre that will include tamariki from Newtown!

**Arohanui**  
STRINGS+

**Concert Series #5**

8 AUGUST 6:30PM

NEWTOWN  
COMMUNITY  
CENTRE

**All welcome!**

**FREE!**



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# Around our kura

## Dance, Dance, Dance

We have been very fortunate these past two weeks to have Mark from Dance Curriculum teaching the tamariki some amazing moves! We have been busy practising our dances and look forward to performing them as part of our Performance Celebration in week 10. Keep an eye out in our newsletter for more details about this closer to the time.



## School Value Spotlight

### Whānaungatanga

We've had our values focus of Whanaungatanga for the first two weeks of term. This school value is about being connected to one another and our learning. Here are some ideas of what this value could look like at home:

- Including other family members in games
- Feeling positive
- Showing kindness to others
- Connecting with neighbours
- Connecting with family in different places via email or video chat
- Connecting to and valuing learning from home

Student voice about what whānaungatanga means to them:

“You make new friends by being kind and respecting where they've come from.”

“Helping each other, playing together and being together.”

“Being kind to people, sharing something.”

“Working together - respect and caring for others, even the teachers.”

The kaiako have been commenting on how our students have been accepting and so positive particularly towards the new students that are coming into our whānau spaces and making them a part of our kura.



**KIA MANAHAU** E hia hinganga, katū tonu, ka ako tonu  
**RESILIENT** We keep trying and learn from what we do

# Staff Spotlight

## Meet Chantal

Kia ora koutou, Greetings to all.  
I'm Chantal, and I am the new teacher who has joined Whānau Tui.  
I am new to Wellington, having recently arrived from my most recent teaching adventure in Queensland.  
I have been in education for many years and have had the good fortune to teach in several cities across New Zealand and abroad. I have loved and appreciated every experience!  
Meeting new people, building connections with cultures, languages, traditions and histories inspires me.  
I am also a Mum to a daughter who is studying in Wellington, so being here feels extra special.  
In my spare time, I love taking long walks in the hillsides and along the coastlines. It fuels my inner being and keeps me happy.  
I am finding everyone in Wellington to be very friendly and welcoming, and I feel very grateful to be here.



## New supplier for school lunches

Hell Pizza is no longer available to order.  
Ezlunch is now offering Vietnamesezy

Order online by 9am for delivery Friday

**eZlunch MENU**

Check out the new menu!

**Vietnamesezy**  
© Cross Road Kōwhiri Wellington 6022 mob: 0210202955

COLD MENU	
Tofu Banh mi	\$12.50
Beef Banh mi	\$12.50
Chicken Banh mi	\$12.50
Pork Banh mi	\$12.50
2 pack Tofu summer rolls	\$5.50
2 pack Avocado summer rolls	\$5.50
2 pack Pork summer roll	\$5.50
2 pack Beef summer rolls	\$5.50
2 pack Chicken summer roll	\$5.50
3 pack Tofu summer rolls	\$8.50
3 pack Avocado summer rolls	\$8.50
3 pack Pork summer rolls	\$8.50
3 pack Beef summer rolls	\$8.50
3 pack Chicken summer rolls	\$8.50

WARM MENU	
1pc Vegetarian crispy spring rolls with noodles	\$10.50
1pc Chicken crispy spring rolls with noodles	\$10.50
1pc Pork crispy spring rolls with noodles	\$10.50
1pc Vegetarian crispy spring rolls with noodles	\$8.50
1pc Chicken crispy spring rolls with noodles	\$8.50
1pc Pork crispy spring rolls with noodles	\$8.50
1pc Vegetarian dumplings with stir-fry noodles	\$12.50
1pc Chicken dumplings with stir-fry noodles	\$12.50
1pc Pork dumplings with stir-fry noodles	\$12.50
1pc Chicken dumplings with stir-fry noodles	\$10.50
1pc Pork dumplings with stir-fry noodles	\$10.50
1pc Vegetarian dumplings with stir-fry noodles	\$10.50
2pc Pork dumplings with stir-fry noodles	\$8.50
2pc Chicken dumplings with stir-fry noodles	\$8.50
2pc Pork dumplings with stir-fry noodles	\$8.50
Chicken Steamer on stir-fry noodles	\$8.50

Order online... [www.ezlunch.co.nz](http://www.ezlunch.co.nz)

Easily order & pay for your reZlunch using your myZlunch family account. MyZlunch is a payment portal for a variety of services at schools and organisations. Your myZlunch account can be topped up by debit or credit card (lines apply) or by bank transfer, in advance or at the time of purchase. To get started, create account or log in to your existing myZlunch account and add member or student. Go to [www.ezlunch.co.nz](http://www.ezlunch.co.nz)

Need help? Visit [support.myZlunch.co.nz](http://support.myZlunch.co.nz) or call toll free 0800 E2LUNCH (09-869 5200) 8am-4pm Mon-Fri (except public holidays)

# Garden News

## Garden

## Goodness

### Holiday Planting Day

Thank you to everyone who started the term early by joining us for our planting day. We planted 300 native plants around the bike track and up on the top field. Please ask your children to look out for these and allow them to stay in the ground.

A big thanks to Craig Bond for coordinating this. Craig continues to support our school even while his daughter is no longer attending here!



### Looking for materials

Do you have any of the following lying around at home, no longer needed?

Vegetable seeds, spades, aprons, garden tools, buckets, gumboots. Please bring anything you have into the office, thanks!



# Sports News

## Term 3 Sports

Our community has been working hard to help our kids enjoy sport.

Thanks to our coaches who have stepped up: Cheryl, Jackie, Steph, Naomi, Helen, Chris, Nic, Belinda and the dozens of other people who are contributing in little ways or big.

This term we will:

- compete in the zone swimming comp
- learn about bike and scooter safety with pedal ready
- head to the futsal festival and the miniball festival
- enjoy cricket sessions from cricket Wellington
- train for and participate in athletics day

And enjoy heaps of class based sport programmes!

## Exhibition Wall

**Artworks by guest artist Sebastian Taylor  
from Berhampore School  
Monday 5th until Monday 19th of August**

"As well as teaching drawing skills at Newtown School, I've had the privilege of teaching a class at Berhampore School for the last 3 years. The students in this particular class stay with the same teacher for 3 years so I've been lucky to work with some of these students every week for 3 years in a row. The results have been amazing.

This coming Monday Newtown school celebrate a fine show of drawings created by a guest artist from this class at Berhampore School. At 10 years old Sebastian (Baz) Taylor is quickly becoming an accomplished artist. He may not end up being a professional artist but with the skills gained from the drawing classes he could apply these skills to any career.

Sebastian is a very focused student and is willing to take on every challenge I've thrown at him. Here is an example of the results of his mahi.

Come and have a look and support his efforts. Yet another great exhibition, I recommend you check out 'The Exhibition Wall' at Newtown School. Only for 2 weeks.", says artwall curator and teacher Paul Forrest.

" Artworks by guest artist Sebastian Taylor from Berhampore School' on at the Newtown School exhibition wall.  
Opens this coming Monday August 5th.



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# Community Notices



**SPLAT!**

**SPLAT! DRAMA IS BACK FOR TERM 3!**

- Open to students of all backgrounds and experience levels
- **Free Trial Class** for new students
- Held once a week for 8 weeks a term
- Open to new students at any point in the term
- Taught by experienced teachers
- Inclusive, encouraging and most of all FUN

**LIMITED SPACES REMAINING**

Scan Here: 

To Sign Up for the Term, Book a Free Trial Class, or Find Out More Info:

[www.splatnz.com](http://www.splatnz.com)  
[josh@splatnz.com](mailto:josh@splatnz.com)

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Before School Care	After School Care
Teacher Only Days	Holiday Programmes
In-Home Support	Overnight Respite Care
1-on-1 Care Support	Mentoring
Activities Coordinators	Saturday Pride Games
Adventure Weekend	Pride Escape
Internship Programme	School Enrichment Programmes
Shuttle Services	

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Visit our website: [www.PRIDELANDS.co.nz](http://www.PRIDELANDS.co.nz) | Call us at: 0800 PRIDE 4 U (0800 77433 4 8)

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**Arohanui STRINGS+**

**Foundation Day**

Saturday 10th August

10:00AM-6:30PM

Lower Hutt Event Centre

**Free!**

20+ live performances!

Family activities!

and so much more!



# Community Notices

**General English**

## Learn English for daily life

English for work, life and study | In-class and online options | Meet new people. Make new friends | Learn a wide range of topics

**FREE\*** • We are rated **1** NZQA Category

Date 31 July – 18 September  
Day Wednesdays  
Time 10.00am – 12.00pm  
Where Salvation Army Community Centre, Newtown



English Language Partners Wellington  
Level 5, 186 Willis Street, Te Aro, Wellington  
Phone 04 384 1992  
Email wellington@englishlanguage.org.nz  
www.englishlanguage.org.nz

\*Free for NZ resident visa holders and citizens.

## 'SHARING THE SAFARI'



12 Week inter-active  
Kiswahili language  
workshop

**AFRICA**  
**CONNECTION**  
**AOTEAROA**

We will share this sweet language & culture through  
song, dance & drama.

## FREE LESSONS!

Wapi: Toi Poneke Arts Centre  
67/69 Abel Smith Street  
Wellington  
Lini: Sundays July 7 - September 22nd 2024  
Saa Ngapi: 1-3pm

Contact: Wanjiku Kiarie 021 209 9914  
Africa Connection Aotearoa

Asante Sana  
Thank You



### SPELD NZ COURSE INTRODUCTION TO SPECIFIC LEARNING DISABILITIES (SLD)

Are you a teacher or teacher aide working with a child who is bright but not achieving?  
Are you working with a child who is not progressing as you would expect?  
Are you a parent struggling to support a child or adult with dyslexia?  
SPELD NZ'S two-day introductory course is for you!

This training is suitable for anyone with limited or no knowledge about dyslexia/SLD.

Johnsonville – Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> & Friday 13<sup>th</sup> September 2024



- Gain great insights into what it is like to have Specific Learning Disabilities (such as dyslexia; SLD and writing; or SLD and mathematics).
- Learn practical strategies, tools and tips for helping learners in the classroom and at home.
- Journey into the brain and see how it impacts on learning and motivation for these learners.

"This was brilliant – touched on so many areas." "It gave me so much insight and encouragement."  
"Presented in a format that was easy to understand." "The resources provided will ensure I can have more confidence to help." "Awesome ideas, games and resources."

Fee:  
Payment of \$250 per person for SPELD NZ Members, or \$350 for Non-Members  
OR  
Early Bird Payment: \$200 per person for SPELD NZ Members or \$300 for Non-Members (by 29/08/2024)  
Subsidies may be available for all Educators including Teacher Aides – please enquire.  
Fee includes: Course notes & completion certificate, morning and afternoon tea.

For more information and enrolment form, see the Training page of our website [www.speld.org.nz/our-services/training](http://www.speld.org.nz/our-services/training). (Registrations are essential)

Contact Natalia - [adminsupport@speld.org.nz](mailto:adminsupport@speld.org.nz) or phone 028 2554 8204

AUGUST  
**15**



YOU CAN ENROL YOUR CHILD FOR THE 2025 BY GOING TO OUR WEBSITE:  
[WWW.SWIS.SCHOOL.NZ/ENROLMENT](http://WWW.SWIS.SCHOOL.NZ/ENROLMENT)

**SOUTH WELLINGTON  
INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL  
OPEN EVENING  
6:00 - 8:00 PM**



OR, scan here to enrol  
your child for 2025

Come along and join us for our annual Whānau Open Evening. The entire family can explore the school, get to meet our staff and learn about the programmes our SWIS has to offer. This is also an excellent opportunity to ENROL your child for the 2025 school year.

We will have people insight to support you.  
Just bring your child's birth certificate/passport and immunisation records and we can help with the rest!

Please complete your child's enrolment by **September 20th**

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