



Kia ora | خوش آمدید | Hola buenos días | malo e lelei | Goedemorgen | ようこそ | Talofa Lava | Bula |
Halo zusammen | Mingalaba | Sua's dei | Ciao | Kia Orana | Namaste | Chao mung | أهلا بك | maligayang
pagdating | soo dhaweyn | 歡迎 | Vanakam | خوشمديد | καλώς ορθατε

IMPORTANT DATES

- **24 November** - Learning Conversations
- **26 November** - Learning Conversations
- **10 December** - Picnic in the Park
- **11 December** - Newtown's Got Talent
- **14 December** - Yr 6 Leavers Dessert
- **15 December** - Last day of 2020
- **3 February** - First day of 2021
- **1 April** - Teacher Only Day

Learning Conversations

Tuesday 24 November
Thursday 26 November

SCHOOL TIMES

SCHOOL STARTS 9.00AM
INTERVAL 11.00-11.20AM
LUNCH 12.45-1.45PM
SCHOOL FINISHES 3.00PM

ABSENCES

IF YOUR CHILD IS NOT GOING TO BE AT SCHOOL, PLEASE CONTACT US AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

PHONE: 04 389 6667

TEXT: 020 40175659

EMAIL:

AWAY@NEWTOWN.SCHOOL.NZ

PRINCIPAL - TUMUAKI KŌRERO

Kia ora Whānau, Friends & Caregivers,

What an incredibly busy time it is at the moment, I wish to sincerely thank the many enthusiastic parents/grandparents and friends of our school. Thank you for supporting all of our whānau excursions around Wellington. We truly appreciate your ongoing support. We couldn't do any of these adventures without you.

In our next school newsletter we will be able to inform and update you on our schools staffing and whānau changes for 2021.

Your child and our school staff have been busy preparing their end of year 'Learning Record' which will be sent home on Monday. The Learning Record's are written by your child, about their learning and discussed with their teachers. They are a celebration of your child's learning and show things they are proud of and understand about their own learning.

Learning Conversations are to be held next week, dont forget to book in - details below.

We are commencing stocktake of our school resources, please have a look around home and in school bags and return any library books/ School readers/school property/P.E polo shirts to the office. We appreciate your support in this regard to keep our sets complete and resources intact.

Proposed Teacher Only Day 2021 - Thursday 1 April 2021: This is the day before 'Good Friday'. All the schools in the Capital City Kahui Ako will be coming together to strengthen our teaching and learning for all our staff.

Hats: As it is now Term 4 and the warmer weather is coming, please ensure that your child has a named hat. It is compulsory for the tamariki to wear hats when outside at our kura in Term 1 & 4. Many thanks for your support in keeping our tamariki safe and healthy.

2021 Planning: If you know that your child will not be returning next year (other than Year 6 children) please let Melissa or Julie in the office know as soon as possible in order for us to plan accordingly. If you have, or know someone who has, a child who is due to begin as a New Entrant in Term 1 2021 please contact our school office to enrol them now.
admin@newtown.school.nz / 043896667

Enjoy your sunny weekend!

Noho ora mai ra,
Mark Brown, Principal - Tumuaki

CURRICULUM CORNER - BILINGUAL EDUCATION AT NEWTOWN

Tau Mai te Reo - the Māori Education Strategy for English Learners provides schools with the mandate and responsibility to increase the use of Te Reo me ngā Tikanga Māori alongside a culturally responsive curriculum. This is the companion to Ka Hikitia, the Māori Education Strategy for Māori learners, which tells us:

Whakamaua te pae tata kia tina – Take hold of your potential so it becomes your reality...We are descendants of explorers, discoverers and innovators who used their knowledge to traverse distant horizons. Our learning will be inclusive, equitable and connected so we progress and achieve advances for our learners and their future journeys and encounters, **Whāia te pae tawhiti kia tata** – Explore beyond the distant horizon and draw it near!

The Guiding Principles of Tau Mai Te Reo are:

He taonga te reo

The Māori language is a taonga of iwi and Māori and an integral part of our national identity as New Zealanders. It is important to give practical effect to Te Tiriti o Waitangi through Māori language in education.

Tuakiritanga

Māori learners thrive when their identity, language and culture is embedded into their learning and they have a strong sense of belonging.

Te Whare o te Reo Mauri Ora

The Crown and Māori have important roles to play in supporting the Māori language. It is important to work in partnership and support strong relationships between learners and whānau, educators and others.

He reo kōrero, he reo ora

It is important to grow the number of New Zealanders with Māori language skills and to grow the environment where conversing in te reo Māori in every day contexts is a social norm.

He huarahi ako

Māori language learning is a life-long journey across many pathways. It is important to ensure learners achieve excellent education outcomes through this journey.

We are excited about our Newtown School journey with bilingual education and very proud of the heritage that we are able to build on. We have a very successful Māori Medium class that has been part of our school for 34 years, and is a vital part of our community. We are thankful to you - our whānau and community - for going on this journey with us and for overwhelming interest and support for both Māori Medium and Bilingual education. We will be running a bilingual class(es) in 2021 and this will be a great opportunity for our English Medium students to be able to increase their level of Te Reo Māori.

It's been positive to see all the expressions of interest coming into the school for our bilingual class for 2021 - if you would like to know more about this, or have remaining questions, please don't hesitate to talk to either Mark, Nicki or myself (Mitch Jordan - mitchj@newtown.school.nz)

IMPORTANT DATES TO NOTE THIS TERM

Ngati Kotahitanga:

Wed 25 Nov - City & Sea Museum Trip

Thursday 26 Nov - Pizza Day

Tui:

Tuesday 1 Dec - Khandallah Park Adventure

Harakeke:

Thursday 3 Dec - Mt Victoria Adventure

Tuesday 8 Dec - Otari-Wilton Bush Adventure

Pohutukawa:

Tuesday 8 Dec - Adventure Day

Waitangi:

Thursday 3 Dec - Kaitoke Adventure

Monday 14 Dec - Year 6 Leavers Dinner

Whole School Events:

Tuesday 24 Nov - Learning Conversations

Thursday 26 Nov - Learning Conversations

Thursday 10 Dec - School Picnic

Friday 11 Dec - Newtown's Got Talent



Newtown School Dates 2021

Term 1, 3 February - 16 April
Term 2, 3 May - 9 July
Term 3, 26 July - 1 October
Term 4, 18 October - 15 December

Public Holidays (School Closed)

8 February - Waitangi Day (observed)
1 April - Teacher only day
2 April - Good Friday
5 April - Easter Monday
6 April - Easter Tuesday
7 June - Queens Birthday
25 October - Labour Day

LEARNING CONVERSATIONS

We invite you for one final learning conversation for 2020. Come and meet with the teachers Tuesday 24 November or Thursday 26th November.

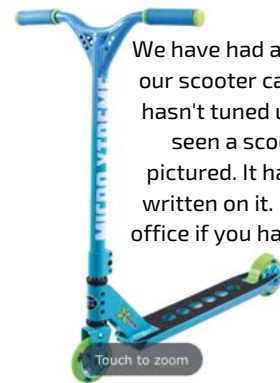
It is a chance to celebrate your child's learning in a year like no other. Your children LOVE it when you are interested in their learning - it makes a difference. We look forward to seeing you next week.

To book a learning conversation:

Go to, <https://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz/>
Enter Our School Event Code: **chrts**

Each learning conversation will be 12 minutes long.

Book in as soon as possible to get your preferred time.



We have had a scooter taken from our scooter cage last week and it hasn't tuned up yet. Has anyone seen a scooter like the one pictured. It has the name Salale written on it. Please come to the office if you have any information.

Thank you to the Wellington Orchestra for coming along and performing for us this week.

Here are some photos of our students enjoying and participating with Orchestra



BOOK AMNESTY



Do you have any library books or reading books at home? Please bring them into your child's class - no questions asked! Check under the bed, behind the sofa, any of those places where books love to hide!



Interzones Athletics 2020

A great day yesterday with our Newtown School Athletes at the Wellington Interzone competition. Everyone gave it their all and showed great team spirit. They should all feel very proud of themselves. Here's a photo of all the athletes (minus Siope)



KIA NGĀKAU HIHIRI - CURIOUS



ORCHESTRA WELLINGTON'S Christmas Singalong

Sunday 13 December, 2.30pm
Michael Fowler Centre

125 Adults/110 Child
Tickets: orchestrawellington.co.nz | ticketmaster.co.nz

Orchestra Wellington are delighted to announce that we are hosting a Christmas Competition for all local primary school children. The winner will receive a VIP family pass (x2 children x2 adults, although we can be flexible on this) to our Christmas Singalong (usual cost \$10 Child, \$15 Adult). The concert itself features a Samoan choir, classic Christmas anthems, special guests (including Santa himself), and fun for all the family. All finalists will have their work displayed in the Renouf Foyer at the venue, which will be seen by a large number of people as there is an hour of pre-concert entertainment on the day.

The brief for pupils:

We want to see your best Christmas drawing! This can be ANYTHING - presents under the tree, Santa in his sleigh, or you scoffing some delicious Christmas food! The FINALISTS will have their work displayed in the Renouf Foyer for everyone to see during our pre-concert entertainment for our Christmas Singalong. The WINNER will receive a VIP Family Pass to our Christmas Singalong concert. You can use pen, pencil, paint or anything you like. Just get creative!

You can either scan & email your entry to richard@orchestrawellington.co.nz
Or post it to us at:
PO Box 11-977, Manners Street Wellington, 6142

Online Safety Information Evening
Wednesday 25 November, 7pm – 8.30pm, Samuel Marsden Collegiate School, entry free. Enter the building at the Main Reception in the middle of the school.
You are invited to attend an information evening designed for adults with children in their lives to gain an understanding of some of the harms children face in the online world.
Presented by Rob and Zareen Cope makers of the documentary Our Kids online: Porn, Predators and How to Keep Them Safe, this evening offers advice and resources to be able to approach these topics with your children at different ages.
RSVP by 24 November to RSVP@marsden.school.nz with your "name" and "on-line safety evening" as reference.
For more information please email: inge.doig@marsden.school.nz



KŌRERORERO

Learn Te Reo Māori

Introducing Kōrerorero -

A free app that teaches how to use te reo Māori in real life situations is now available for download.

Kōrerorero, has been in development at the Auckland University of Technology for the past two years.

Although it is designed for beginners, the new phone app is also a great tool for those who would like to brush up on their language skills. From the first lesson there are words that you can use immediately.

It's so user friendly that anyone can use it, even the kids – which means the whole whānau can learn together.

You can find out more about this amazing APP via this link: <https://news.aut.ac.nz/news/new-app-to-learn-te-reo-maori>



Invitation

WE'LL BE LAUNCHING OUR PHASE 2, ISLAND BAY TO CBD ERADICATION PROJECT SOON AND WE WANT YOU TO BE ONE OF THE FIRST TO HEAR ABOUT IT. PLEASE JOIN US AT THE ZOO.

THURSDAY 26 NOVEMBER 5.30PM-6.30PM
KAMALAS, WELLINGTON ZOO
RSVP: ELEANOR.DEWAR@PFW.ORG.NZ

PREDATOR FREE WELLINGTON

KIA MANAHAU - RESILIENT


BADMINTON WELLINGTON

GENERATION GAMES

28 NOVEMBER
10AM - 3PM
FIND A PARTNER FROM YOUR FAMILY+ \$30 PER PAIR SHUTTLES PROVIDED

PRIZES FOR A WIDE RANGE OF CATEGORIES! INCLUDING: BEST COSTUME, BEST MATCHING UNIFORM, BEST CHEERLEADERS AND MORE!

TO ENTER OR FOR MORE INFO, CONTACT SHUTTLETIME@BADMINTON.NET.NZ



SHUTTLE TIME NEW ZEALAND

Shuttle Time is a worldwide programme that aims to give kids of all ages and abilities an enjoyable and accessible experience to Badminton. Get your kids involved in the world's fastest growing racket sport!

This tournament is for children Year 5 – 10, who have not played "Rep" badminton.

FREE entry (entries close 11:59 PM on Wednesday 9 December)

The first 20 entries received will win a FREE badminton racket! There will be a further 10 rackets to be won as spot prizes on the day!
Shuttle Time Special: Pay for Term 1 of any Shuttle Time Class in 2021 (Merit/Bronze/Silver/Gold) and receive Term 2 for free! Deal valid only for players entered in this tournament. Deal expires 19 December 2020.

For enquiries about the tournament or Shuttle Time programmes, contact Angus Crawford – shuttletime@badminton.net.nz

Non-Rep Tournament
Saturday 12 December

Year 5/6: 10am – 12pm
Year 7/8: 12.30pm – 2.30pm
Year 9/10: 3pm – 5pm

Badminton Wellington Centre
1 Ruahine Street
Hataitai

