



PRINCIPAL'S PĀNUI

IMPORTANT DATES

TERM FOUR: 17 October - 15 December

- **2 - 4 November** - Year 6 Camp
- **11 November** - Te Kākano Whānau BBQ
- **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

"QUOTE OF THE WEEK"

I like that my Nan's name is the same as a significant tupuna. I can see how precious our names are.

Kia ora whānau

For a short week, we packed a lot in.

Athletics

Thank you to Hannah Powell and Sarah Ramsay for a smooth and well run Athletics Day on Wednesday. It is fantastic watching our learners excel in sports. The day always reflects powerful examples of our Newtown values in action.

Whanaungatanga (Connection): We recognise everyone's effort

Kia whakapau kaha (Effort): We say "I can" and "I'll try"

Kia Manahau (Resilience): We don't give up

Kia Manaaki (Respect): We support and celebrate others

Kia Ngākau hihiri (Curious): We are open to possibilities of learning new skills

Thank you to all whānau who came down to support, help and cheer on their tamariki..

Swimming pool use from next week

What a special celebration to open our pool last week. Laughter, splashes, prizes, a fabulous cake and time to remember the work of those who went before us - these are the joys of our community. From next week, each whānau will have designated swimming days.

Monday: Waitangi,

Tuesday: Tūi,

Wednesday: Harakeke, Ngati Kōtahitanga,

Thursday: Tūi, Pōhutukawa and Harakeke,

Friday: Pōhutukawa, Ngati Kōtahitanga, Waitangi,

On the day your child is swimming, it might be a good idea to pack some extra lunch as the exercise seems to make them a little more hungry than usual.

Staff News

We are excited that we have excellent kaiako joining our Newtown team for next year to replace our leaving teachers. Watch in the coming newsletters as they share their profiles. A lot of thought and care goes into creating teams of great teachers. You can see below where our kaiako will be teaching for 2023.

Bilingual	Tūi New Entrant	Harakeke space 1	Harakeke 2	Pōhutukawa space	Waitangi space	Ngāti Kotahitanga space
Mitch	Karen Debbie	Mary Zoe Holly	Lauren Kath	Alice/Kristy Venise Megan	Hilary Sarah TBC	Maraea

There is always a mixture of joy and sadness when we celebrate with teachers and changes.

Chris Mulholland and his whānau are moving back to Nelson to whānau with his soon to arrive baby. He will be teaching at Nelson Intermediate in a Maori immersion class. **Linda Martelletti** is moving to work at Mount Cook School teaching in a Year 7 and 8 class.

We will make sure we celebrate the contributions of those who are leaving.

Have a lovely weekend.

Nicki Read: Tumuaki | Principal

Juliette Davies



Tēnā koe e te whānau.
He uri ahau nō Airangi, nō Kōtirana hoki.
I tipu ake ahau ki te Whanganui-a-tara.

Ko wai au? I'm a kaiako in Te Whānau Harakeke and a parent to Poppy (7) and River (3). I've lived most of my life in Wellington and lived and worked in the local area for the last 10 years. I love our community and am always learning from those I meet. I teach for the same reason; our tamariki keep me thinking, seeing new perspectives, learning, wondering and, of course, laughing. Away from school you'll find me in my happy place on the yoga mat or hanging out with my whānau.

Lauren Peatfield

Kia ora e te whānau,

Nō Ingarangi me Kōtirana ōku tūpuna.

I tipu ake ahau i Ingarangi.

I tae mai ahau ki Aotearoa, i 2018.

Ka pupuri au i te hoe me te noho ki te kiato o te waka o te whanau o Pōhutukawa i te tau e taha ake nei ki te kura o Ngā Puna Waiora.

Ko Lauren tōku ingoa.

I grew up in the wonderful wāhi of Birmingham, in the UK. I have taught over 10 years and used to live in Prague, Czech Republic for 5! I live in Mornington with my partner Dion, and our kurī, Teak. They make up my whānau iti here, and are my rock in Aotearoa, with my parents living back in England. If you catch me on a Friday night, I am usually rushing off to our bach or to the beautiful Taranaki to reset my hauora, wellbeing. Lifting heavy as weights in my CrossFit gym, being out in te taiao fishing, zooming down the beach on the back of a quad or tramping in Te Wao Nui a Tāne are all my happy places. My crafty down time is learning rāranga (weaving) and knitting.

I believe in having strong relationships with our awesome tamariki, and strive to see our learners grow as a whole being. My favourite school values are manaakitanga and whanaungatanga; why? He aha te mea nui o tēnei ao? He tangata, he tangata, he tangata. People are the most important thing in this world.

I thrive on a good old sing-song and learning languages. I am actively learning Te Reo Māori; it's richness is an absolute gift and I am thankful and privileged, to be encouraged in this journey by colleagues here. I have an interest in Structured Literacy, and my main passion is to share what reo I can at kura, and to dream about what bilingual education can look like in our space.

If you see me around, please do say hello. My team will tell you I can talk the hind legs off a donkey.

Nā reira,

Tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou, tēnā rā koutou katoa.



LEARNERS LIMELIGHT

Athletics Day.

When I was running up to jog,
time froze. I stopped in
silence. I wondered if this
would be forever. My mind
twisted into pieces.

Millie (Harakeke)

Celebrations

What we are celebrating this week

- We had an amazing Pool opening with our students loving being able to swim again!
- A successful Athletics Day on Wednesday - thank you to all the parent volunteers, we can't do these whole school outings without you!

Pool Opening Photos



Athletics Day Photos



WHĀNAUNGATANGA - CONNECTED

A huge thank you to Palmers for donating these goodies



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