



# NEWSLETTER



Kia ora e te whānau,

There are a number of special occasions happening in our kura. When thinking about what made them stand out, I was struck by the themes of matching our actions and words. As educators and as whānau, part of our role is to inspire our children to see and hear what we consider important. They notice if our words and actions don't match.

Here are some strong examples in our kura...

**Ngāti Kotahitanga whānau** are at Te Pou o Tainui Marae in Otaki. They go to strengthen relationships, to have opportunities to hear and use Te Reo Māori and live what it means to live their values. What a powerful example of words and actions connecting. A treat on our way up was to visit Audrey Banks, who was lying in state. She was a special kaiako who started Rumaki Reo at Newtown (currently Ngāti Kotahitanga). Others spoke of her gentleness, care and heart for all. What an opportunity for our tamariki to acknowledge the past as they step into the future.

**Positively packed Paraire:**

**Onesie Day**-Everything we raise goes to Wellington free Ambulance remaining free for all. I suspect many of us have had experiences where we gratefully await the arrival of help. Actions that show we care.

**Cards of Awesome**-14, 189 times of awesome upholding of our values. We see those who are kind, look after others, show respect, love learning, care for our place and each other. Your actions matter!

**Newtown Social**-thanks to a group of parents who want to provide a special occasion for us. Positive purpose and positive working together.

**We have a Sandpit!** - one of our hopes is to create an oasis in the city filled with positive play.

Sand play is a fantastic natural learning opportunity that promotes imagination, creativity. Thank you again to Mike and his crew (Contrux Ltd). We are always impressed with how hard you all work, complete projects with care and consideration and how you interact with our learners with smiles, chat and with safety in mind. We are grateful for your mahi and you take us one step closer to our hope. Words and actions coming closer.

**Volunteers**- this weekend we have a group from Arise church who are willing to help around our kura with whatever we ask for. A great example of words and actions matching for our community.

**What's coming up?**

**Te wiki o te reo Māori**-This year's theme is 'ake, ake, ake- a forever language'. The 2024 theme represents the resilience, adaptability and endurance of te reo Māori, and reflects the commitment to embracing and learning the language long into the future. Watch out for the many ways we value and use Te Reo, especially that week but always. Be active, use your reo!

**Performance celebration**-our actions support words of importance of creativity and the arts. Be a supporter.

Thank you to every person who chooses to speak positively, constructively problem solve and match your words and actions. It's not always easy. You weave our community together with integrity. Thank you.

Kia pai tō wiki mutunga.

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

- **16th - 20th September** - Te Wiki o te reo Māori
- **Tuesday 24th September** - Southern Zone Swimming
- **Tuesday 24th September 5.00-8.00pm** - Te Tai Ao Performance Celebration
- **Thursday 26th September** - Athletics Day
- **Friday 27th September** - Last day of Term 3
- **Monday 14th October** - First day of Term 4

## Welcome to our new students

- **Celestine De Chavez**
- **Rihan Rinto Francis**
- **Ewan Rinto Francis**
- **Aviraj Singh**
- **Frances O'Donell**

## 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.**



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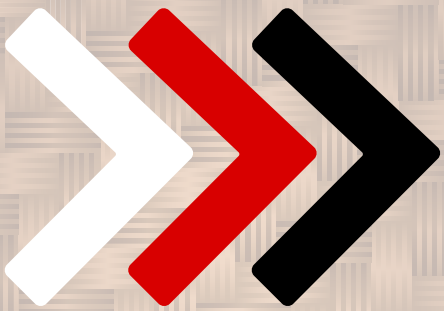


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## School Notices



**Te Kura o Ngā  
Puna Waiora -**

**Newtown School**

has an action packed  
wiki/week 16th-20th  
Hepetema/September  
celebrating Te Wiki o te Reo  
Māori/Māori Language  
Week 2024

We hope to see some of our  
whānau/families at  
Mane/Monday and  
Pairare/Friday events!



**MANE  
16**

**WHOLE SCHOOL - SINGING  
WAIATA, OUT THE FRONT ON  
RIDDIFORD STREET.**

12pm - Whānau welcome to join us

**VIDEO BOOTH  
COME SHARE YOUR  
FAVOURITE TE REO KĪWAHA**

**TŪREI  
17**

**WENEREI  
& TAITE  
18 & 19**

**IN CLASS TE REO  
KAHOOTS & ACTIVITES**

**KAPA HAKA PERFORMANCE TO  
END TE WIKI O TE REO MAORI  
FOLLOWED BY KAI**

12pm onwards - Kapa haka performance followed  
by Sausage sizzle & Waiata

**PAIRARE  
20**



**MORE INFO:**

**REOMĀORI.CO.NZ**

**Kia māhorahora te reo – let's make it seen, let's make it heard**

**KIA MANAAKI  
RESPECTFUL**

Ka whakamana tātou i ngā rongō o te katoa.  
We value the thoughts and feelings of each other.



# School Notices continued...

WELLINGTON FREE AMBULANCE

## ONESIE APPEAL

Please donate and help me reach my fundraising goal for Wellington Free Ambulance.

Please donate today!

DONATE AT [WWW.ONESIEDAY.CO.NZ](http://WWW.ONESIEDAY.CO.NZ)



Keep Wellington Free Ambulance free of charge

### ONESIE APPEAL

There's still time to help our fundraising efforts.  
Jump online now and donate at our school's page

<https://onesieday.co.nz/users/newtown-school-3>

Our donations help keep ambulance services free

## Wheels Friday



We are trialling wheels at lunchtime on Fridays. Please bring scooters or bikes to school.

Your student must wear a helmet to participate.



## Library Happenings

Practice your Reo Māori by checking out some of our Reo Māori pukapuka on display in the library



Our friends at Newtown Library have invited our community to a fun workshop. Check it out!

### Sing waiata in the library!

Free and fun workshop for migrants and friends at Te Puna Waiora/Newtown Library

Friday 20th September 11am- 12noon

To celebrate Te Wiki o te Reo Māori, Māori Language Week, join us to sing waiata, practice pronunciation and have fun! Free/no cost.



Share a favourite

Recipe

WITH THE COMMUNITY

## RECIPE

BANANA MUFFINS shared by Melissa

Looking for a new banana muffin recipe for lunchboxes? Check this one out!

### INGREDIENTS:

1 1/2 cups plain flour  
2 tsp baking powder  
1 tsp baking soda  
pinch of salt  
1 tsp cinnamon (optional)  
1 cup rolled oats  
1/4 c brown sugar  
1/2 c coconut  
2 ripe banana's  
1/4 c neutral oil  
1 1/4 c milk of your choice  
1 tsp vanilla essence  
Optional - add 1/2 cup chopped dark chocolate

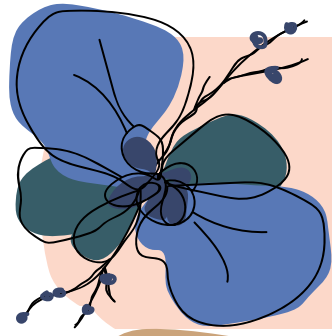
### METHOD:

Preheat oven to 175deg. Prepare a 12 cup muffin tray, - grease if needed.  
Sift flour, baking powder, baking soda, salt & cinnamon into a large bowl.  
Add rolled oats, brown sugar and coconut.  
Mash the banana and in a separate bowl combine with oil, milk and vanilla essence.  
Add the wet mix to the dry ingredients and stir gently until just combined.  
Spoon the mixture into the prepared muffin tins.  
Optional - place a few slices of banana or a little chocolate on top.  
Bake for 20 minutes, or until a toothpick comes out clean when you stick it into a muffin.

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# Around our kura



Sand pit construction, futsal festivals, excursions, cooking at Government House, Senior netball final, Wheels on Fridays, Cricket NZ, preparations for Te Tai Ao, saving whales & more! Check out some of what has been happening at our action-packed kura!

## Sandpit Construction

There is much excitement building about the sandpit under construction at our kura. Stay tuned for opening date!

It's going to be so exciting!

I'm going to make sand castles, really big sand castles!

I'm going to make everything!



## Project Jonah



Saving beached whales?

All in a day's learning at Newtown School!

... and Wheels Friday is on! Look at them go!



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# Out & About doing us proud



## PRIDE FOR OUR SENIOR NETBALL TEAM - GO GIRLS!

Had to send this as we (as parents) were so proud of these girls and especially their last game for 2024!!  
Appreciated the coaching ladies for giving up their time and the way the girls performed throughout the season.  
Thanks to a number of teachers that came to support as well.

- Proud parent.



## Cooking at Government House

On Thursday 29 August, 3 of our ākonga (Tui, Theo and Joanna) were invited to Government House as part of a Garden to Table initiative for local schools to cook local produce in the kitchen and enjoy eating it as well. As part of the experience they also got to see the māra at Government House where kai is grown for the kitchen to prepare meals, they made galettes and imagination salads which were served as part of the lunch, got to set the tables and then enjoy the meal alongside his excellency Dr Richard Davies. Their highlight of the visit was being able to cook in the kitchen. They got to keep a copy of the recipes so maybe you could ask them to cook for you sometime!



## Futsal Festival

Both Junior and Senior groups had a great time and made us proud.  
Thank-you to our parent helpers!



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# School Value Spotlight

## Kia Whakapau Kaha

Learners who demonstrate kia Whakapau Kaha are strong, get stuck in, and keep going.

In Weeks 7 and 8 of term we have been focusing on this value in all that we've been doing!

We say 'I can', 'I'll try', and 'I'll keep going.'

"I take pride in my achievements."

"I aim high. I have courage."

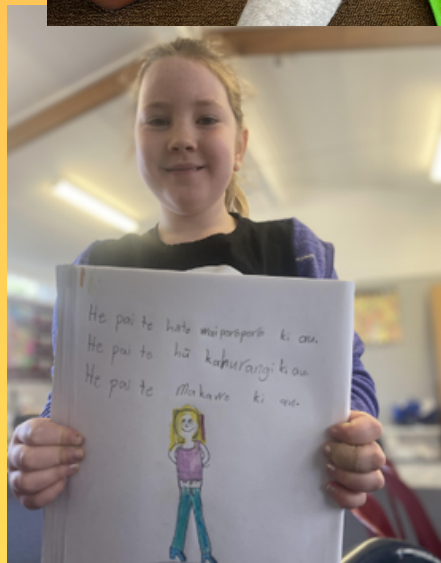
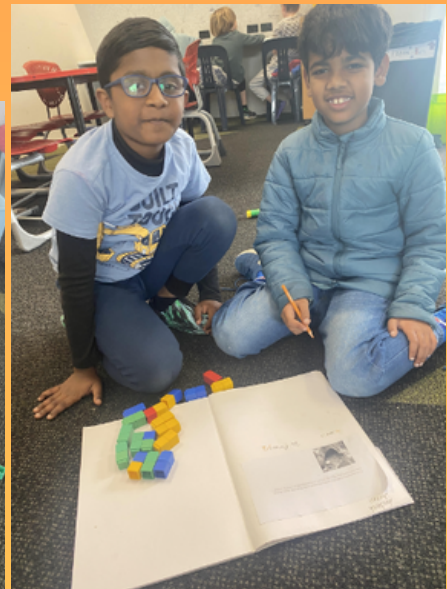
We Negotiate, compromise and value others' thoughts and ideas.

I recognise and celebrate my efforts.

I set goals to continue to improve



## What Kia Whakapau Kaha has looked like around our kura:



### At home this could look like:

- Putting extra effort into learning something new or doing something a new way
- Taking pride in my achievements
- Working hard to complete something - a chore, a jigsaw puzzle, a game
- Saying with a task even though it might be a bit hard

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



# Staff Spotlight

## Meet Jenny

Hi I'm a Resource Teacher of Literacy in Wellington for a cluster of 21 schools. I'm based here at Newtown School in a lovely office which I've made into an inviting learning space for students and teachers. I work with developing readers and writers, teachers, and school management teams to accelerate literacy learning. It's great to see the children's confidence grow as they learn more about being effective learners and grow to love literacy. I have a particular interest in picture books and critical thinking skills. In any spare time I enjoy gardening, my two birman cats and looking for great new picture books.



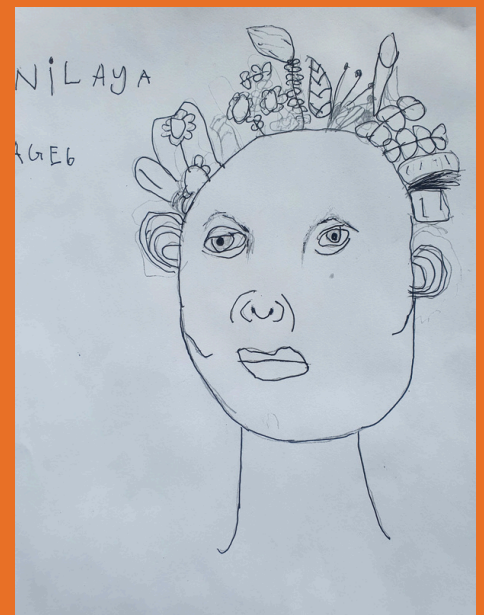
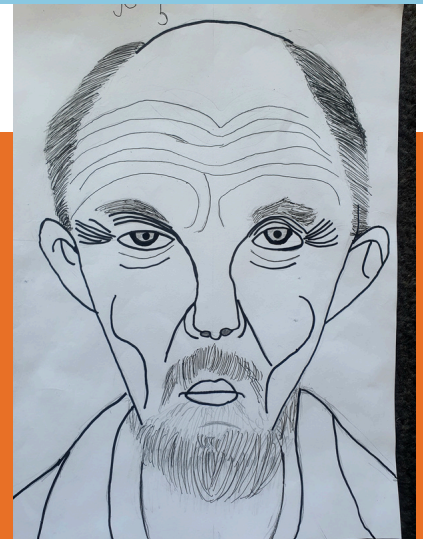
## Exhibition Wall

**'Portraits by some Tūi artists'**  
**Mon 16th - Fri 27th of September**  
**The Newtown School exhibition wall**

This coming Monday Newtown school celebrate a new series of artworks by some now and future creative talent from Whānau Tūi. The drawings have been created as part of the advanced drawing classes hosted by our resident artist Paul Forrest. This term the focus was on the portrait.

"I'm so proud and lucky to be working with such talented young artists and I'm so excited to see what they create over the next few years at our school. Their willingness to give anything a go including some quite complex concepts is a wonder to behold. Never underestimate the ability of our young students to learn!!!

I highly recommend you take a look." says art wall curator Paul Forrest.





# Sports News



## SPORTS TERM 4

### Touch

This is for students in Years 1-6. The teams get split into year 1-2, 3-4 and 5-6. Games are played at Wakefield Park on Wednesdays between 3:30pm and 5:30pm. The season dates are 30 October - 4 December (6 weeks). The teams consist of 5 on the field with a maximum of 10 players per team. We need 8 players per team. The fees for touch will be \$25 per player. Uniforms may be provided where supply allows. We will need a coach and manager for each team and this job can be shared between two people if necessary.

### Mini polo

Mini polo is played in the 1.2 m pool at the Wellington Regional Aquatic Centre (Kilbirnie pools). Mini polo has 6 players in the pool plus the goalie. Ideally there will be 8 players per team. Your child must be able to swim and being able to touch the bottom of the pool would be very beneficial. Children will wear their own togs and Newtown School polo caps will be provided at the games. Open to Years 4, 5 and 6. Each team will benefit from one or two whānau managers; these volunteers manage substitutions and communicate with whānau. Games are on Friday afternoons, from 18 October to 13 December.

### Futsal

This is for students in Year 1-6. The teams will be split into a Year 1/2 team, a Year 3/4 team, and a year 5 / 6 team. Games are played at Akau Tangi Stadium on Friday afternoons. The first game is Friday 25 October. Games run from 3.30 pm - 6 pm. We will need a coach and manager for each team. One person can take on both roles, or the jobs can be shared between several people.

### Junior Netball

This is for students in Year 1-4. The teams will be split into a Year 1/2 team and Year 3/4 team. This is played on Saturdays at Evans Bay Intermediate School on their netball courts. First game is Saturday 19 October. The times of the games will be confirmed closer to the start of the season.

It is part of the Future Ferns programme. We will need a coach and manager for each team. One person can take on both roles, or the jobs can be shared between two people.

If you wish to, you can attend a training session run by Motu Kairangi Netball for the coaching role. You will have ongoing support at the games. We will also need a manager to oversee the team. The fee for this is \$40 for the season. To register your child for the season please follow this link <https://www.mknetball.co.nz/registrations-1/School-List> . Scroll down the school list to find Newtown School and fill in the required information.

Look out for notices coming home or get in touch at [sports@newtown.school.nz](mailto:sports@newtown.school.nz) for more information



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**We give our best in everything we do.**





**START**

**TE WIKI O TE REO MĀORI STREET PARADE ROUTE**

**MONDAY 16 SEPTEMBER 2024**

Meet 9.30am at the TSB Arena, Wellington

Depart 10.00am to Waitangi Park

**FINISH**

**AKE AKE AKE**  
A FOREVER LANGUAGE  
KIA KAHĀ TE REO MĀORI

**TE TAURA WHIRI**  
TE REO MĀORI  
MŌHIO TE KŌHĀ KŌHĀ

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Mo Heke Kō Pōhake

# SPRING

## FUN HOLIDAY ADVENTURES



15% Off for Wild Card holders

\*Plan B  
Some activities (including day trips) may not be swapped for other exciting ones.

### EARLY BIRD ENROLMENT

**DISCOUNT**  
Only \$282.34 per cub/wk or \$479.97 for two siblings/wk

Only \$70.58 per cub/day or \$119.99 for two siblings/day  
**IF ENROLLED AND PAID BY 4TH AUGUST 2024**

### STANDARD FEES

\$332.16 per cub/wk or \$564.67 for two siblings/wk

\$83.04 per cub/day or \$141.17 for two siblings/day

### LOCATIONS:

Western Suburbs – (Wilton/Rugby Club)  
(Southern Suburbs – South Wellington Intermediate School – SWIS)

### DATES:

30th Sep – 11th Oct 2024

### ENROLMENT DEADLINE:

22nd Sep 2024

### PAYMENTS:

29th Sep 2024

### WK1

**MON, 30TH SEP**  
Leap of faith Challenges  
Your chance to test your might!

### TUE, 1ST OCT

Challenge Day: A day of Interactive Fun and Activities.  
Overnight Sleepover (Optional & Booking Required for this activity);  
Camp with your friends and enjoy a variety of night activities.

**WED, 2ND OCT**  
TRIP DAY: Wicked Wednesday  
YOU CHOOSE, WE GO!

**THUR, 3RD OCT**  
Stay for the Carvings  
Stay for the Fun!

**FRI, 4TH OCT**  
Pride Lands Cultural Day Celebrations  
Come for the Culture.



### WK2

**MON, 7TH OCT**  
Creative Designs  
Let it flow...

**TUE, 8TH OCT**  
Legendary Games  
Enjoy a day of shared fun and games.

**WED, 9TH OCT**  
TRIP DAY: PRIDE LANDS COMMUNITY CHALLENGE  
Do something selfless for your chosen community.

**THUR, 10TH OCT**  
POW!  
Pride of Wearable Arts: Made to Last!

**FRI, 11TH OCT**  
Last Supper: Relax and enjoy a shared lunch with the Pride!  
Pride Fair: Turning junk into another person's treasure.



come and Play!



## LITTLE DRIBBLERS FC

**FREE Have a GO "Football" for kids aged 1-7 Years.**

**Saturday 28th and Sunday 29th**

**September from 9:30**

**6 venues to choose from**



**SIGN UP AT [LITTLE-DRIBBLERS.CO.NZ](https://www.little-dribblers.co.nz)**

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RESILIENT**

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