



Newsletter

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Tū mai Te Ahūmairangi, tū mai hoki tātou
As Te Ahūmairangi stands, we also reach for great heights

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School Closed – Wednesday 15 August

Northland School will be closed **all day** on **Wednesday 15 August**.

The NZEI has advised the Northland School Board of Trustees that the principal and teachers at our school will be taking strike action on Wednesday 15 August 2018.

The Board has carefully considered the availability of teaching staff, and unfortunately decided that we can't provide the normal teaching services during the strike. It's important that you make alternative arrangements for the care of your child/children on the day of the strike.

The school will need to close during this strike.

I know that this is inconvenient for parents and students alike, but please be assured that student safety is our main concern. Thank you for your understanding. Please contact me if you have any queries relating to this decision. My contact details are on the school website under Our People.

Yours sincerely

Geoff Davenport – Chairperson, Northland School Board of Trustees

The Principal Point

Redesigning our School Curriculum

This year Jane Batchelor, one of our associate principals, has been leading a review and redesign of our school's curriculum. The New Zealand Curriculum provides a broad overview of what to teach and each school then develops its own curriculum to meet community expectations and needs. We wrote our current curriculum in 2010 and 2011 and it is in need of a major redesign as our teaching practices and what we teach has moved on from what was originally developed.

The more we looked into our current approaches to teaching and also looked ahead to changes that will occur when we move into our new building in 2020/21, the more we considered the place of our school vision in this evolving learning community. In considering our vision over the last few months we have debated as a staff, listened to our students and discussed with a group of interested parents their ideas – and we think that it is time for a change - a change that reflects Northland School at the moment and in the near future.

We will shortly email all families some of the suggestions developed for our school vision and would appreciate feedback from families on these. Later in the term our Board of Trustees will be surveying our parent community on other aspects of the school. We hope that all families take the opportunity to be involved.

Jeremy Edwards – Principal

School News

Whānau Hui

Tēnā koutou katoa,

I would like to warmly welcome you all to the Term 3 Whānau Group Hui, on Monday 6 August at 7:00pm in the staffroom.

We encourage you to come and share your ideas so that we can reflect on the Matariki week. Following this there will a chance to meet other group members over shared cake and coffee.

Please RSVP so that we know who will be able to attend. (Phone: 475 7596, email: katiem@northland.school.nz).

Naku noa.

Katie McGrath - Lead Teacher Te Ao Māori

Northland School Swimming Sports - Thursday

The Northland School Year 3 – 8 Swimming Sports will be held tomorrow, Thursday 2 August at Karori Pool from 9.30am -12noon.

Students will be travelling to and from this event by bus.

Below is an approximate timetable of events which will be run sequentially. Finals will be run at the end of each stroke event.

9.30am:	25m Freestyle
10.00am:	25m Backstroke
10.30am:	25m Breaststroke
11.00am:	25m Butterfly, 50m Freestyle

Non-competitive novelty and width events will be held in the learners pool throughout the morning.

We would love to see parents, grandparents and friends joining us to support their children during these events. There will be an admission spectator fee for those attending.

Angela Scholten - Sports Co-ordinator

Home and School Committee Meeting – Tonight, Wednesday 1 August

The Home and School Committee will be meeting on Wednesday 1 August at 7.00pm in the school staffroom. We are always looking for new members (bring a friend) to help provide social events for our school community.

School Photos - PhotoLife

Photolife online ordering shoot keys have been sent home with your children. This system means you can access, view and order photographs online. Each student is given an individual shoot key; please note that our school's free delivery offer expires on Sunday 5 August.

Book Week - 'Fuel Your Mind' - 6 - 10 August

We will be celebrating our Book Week in Week 3 (6 – 10 August). We have Brian Falkner and Ruth Paul visiting the school. Please take the opportunity to enjoy sharing imaginative and exciting books with your children. On **Friday, 10 August**, we will be inviting children to dress up as their favourite book character, so please start thinking about creating those costumes!
Rachelle Samaniego and Lizzie Ryan – Library Team

Sushi Lunches – Unavailable on 14 August

We have been advised that sushi lunches will not be available on Tuesday 14 August.

Yummy Apple Sticker Time

Get munching and get collecting. Yummy apple sticker time. All stickers add up to points which add up to *Sports Gear* for our school. Thank you and enjoy your apples!

Scholastic Book Club 2018:

Issue 5 catalogues have now been distributed. Extra catalogues are available in the library. Deadline for orders is 8 August. All orders will be done via LOOP. Please go to <https://mybookclub.scholastic.co.nz/Parent/Login.aspx> to register. All Book Club orders will be delivered to school and distributed to your child's classroom. Any queries to Ruth by email abenojar.yee@outlook.com.



School Winter Wonderland Disco – Friday 10 August

Entry is by a gold coin on the night.

- Junior Disco: Years 1 – 4: 5:00 to 7:00pm – all students require an adult in attendance for the 2 hours

- Senior Disco: Year 5 – 8: 7:00 to 9:00pm - all students will require permission slips with details of adults picking them up at the end of

the night. Permission slips are available from the school website, from the school office and at the door on the night of the disco. At the Senior Disco there will be a Gaming Room. Enjoy games with your friends, bring along a board game, cards etc. Please no trading on the night!

Food at the Disco

We will be serving dinner options at the Junior Disco (burgers and sausages) and the Senior Disco (burgers and sausages plus, at 8.00pm, pizza by the slice will be available), so no need to cook on that Friday! For the Seniors, there will be other special treats and lots of fun things to do.

Parent help

We are looking for parents to help set up after school for around an hour or attend the Junior disco or Senior disco helping to serve food, or help with the clean-up at the end. Please contact Lizzie lizziemasseurs@gmail.com if you can help.

Important Information for Parents and Guardians

The Home and School Committee hosts the disco but you are responsible for your child/ren. Parent volunteers are there to serve food and drink but are not there to care for children. This is a great social evening for parents and guardians; please attend if possible (all junior disco children must have a carer at the disco).

Quality of the Week – Respect

Respect is an attitude of caring about people and treating them with dignity. Respect is valuing ourselves and others. We show respect by speaking and acting with courtesy. When we are respectful we treat others as we want to be treated. Respect includes honoring the rules of our family or school, which make life more orderly and peaceful. It is knowing that every man, woman and child deserves respect, including you.

Diary Dates for 2018

2 August, Thursday	Swimming Sports – Years 3 – 8 Pizza Thursday
6 – 10 August	Book Week
6 August, Monday	Whānau Hui, 7pm
7 August, Tuesday	Boostrix Vaccinations, Year 7
10 August, Friday	School Disco, 5pm and 7pm
14 August, Tuesday	ICAS Maths
15 August, Wednesday	School closed
16 August, Thursday	Technology Classes begin, Team 4
21 August, Tuesday	Board of Trustees, 7pm
22 August, Wednesday	National Monitoring Assessment, Year 4 Mathswell, Year 7 and 8
28 August, Tuesday	Mathswell, Year 5 and 6
3 – 7 September	Production Week (Rehearsal 4 Sept, Performances 5 (Wednesday) and 6 September (Thursday))

Term Dates for 2018

Term 3:	Monday 23 July – Friday 28 September
Term 4:	Monday 15 October – Thursday 20 December

Term Dates for 2019

The two different start and end dates are dependent on a workshop for teachers that may be held in early February. This is still to be confirmed.

Term 1:	Either Monday 4 February <i>or</i> Thursday 7 February – Friday 12 April
Term 2:	Monday 29 April – Friday 5 July
Term 3:	Monday 22 July – Friday 27 September
Term 4:	Monday 14 October – Wednesday 18 Dec <i>or</i> Friday 20 December

Community News

Community notices and flyers are included in this newsletter as a service to the school community. The inclusion of notices – and other material is at the discretion of the Board of Trustees. The school staff and Board take no responsibility for the accuracy of information in community notices and flyers. Inclusion of these in the newsletter does not necessarily imply that school staff or the Board endorses any product, services or information advertised.

Northland Kidz Club – Full day Care Wednesday 15 August

Full-Day Care Available for Teachers' Strike Day, Wednesday 15 August 2018.

For this day, Northland Kidz Club is offering a holiday programme day from 8.30 am to 6 pm, based at the St Anne's Hall by the Northland Shops. We will be going to the Karori Swimming Pool, so bring your swimming gear, morning tea and lunch. We will be providing afternoon tea, as usual. The cost will be the holiday programme charge of \$45 per child per day, \$20 for the third child onwards from the same family.

Please book in as soon as possible, so that we know how many children to cater for. Contact Lisa (022-680-3075), Jan (022-140-2612) or e-mail (nkc.jan@gmail.com).

Looking forward to hearing from you!

Kelly Club - - Wednesday 15 August

Information will be available next week on a programme to be provided on 15 August.

Mogmusic

Private tuition available in piano, recorder, guitar and ukulele. Places available now. All lessons held at MOGMUSIC studio in Brooklyn. Please phone Moggie Grayson 3848-213 to book in.

Learn a New Language The Fun Way

Fun French language classes 5 - 12 years olds. Lots of fun activities, drama, music and games taught in a relaxed and friendly atmosphere! Language resources available to support parents at home.

Free Trial Lesson available after-school, lunchtime and pre-school French classes available throughout Wellington. Contact: Annick on 021 462 042 or email annick@lcclubs.co.nz or visit www.lcclubs.co.nz for more information.

Saturday and After School Computer Classes

For ages 5 – 15 in Minecraft, Learn to Code in Scratch, Python or Java, Create 3D Games, Web Design, Animation, Video Editing or Build a PC and if young the Discovery Computer Class. For further information call 499-2211 or visit www.grandtraining.co.nz

Marrzipan

Is your child shy? Do they feel intimidated by the idea of public speaking and performance? Do they sometimes find it difficult to make eye contact? Do they just need dedicated time per week to just be CRAZY?! Come and join the revolutionary self-confidence programme - Marrzipan!

We run awesome classes at schools, which focus on key life skills and public speaking ability. We play fun engaging games and perform at the end of term once to parents and once to the school. All scripts are original, engaging, educational and HILARIOUS. You can sign your child up for a trial lesson via our website www.marrzipandrama.co.nz (we have contact numbers on there too, should you prefer to talk to a human!)

Scouting

Does your child love the outdoors and learning new things? Northland Scout Group are welcoming both boys and girls to be new keas (age 5-7), cubs (age 8-10.5), or scouts (age 10.5-14). Also have you considered becoming a leader? This is a rewarding way to learn new skills, pass on your own skills, go on exciting adventures and get involved with your local community. Please contact Rob@Wallace.gen.nz or see www.facebook.com/NorthlandScouts for more information.

The Karori Arts and Crafts

Does your child love to draw, paint and create? The Karori Arts and Crafts centre have some great kids art classes after school on Monday, Tuesday and, suitable for kids aged 5 - 16. See our website for more info and to book: www.kacc.org.nz

Guitar Lessons

Hello! My name is Aabir and I'm a guitar player with a Master's degree from the New Zealand School of Music. I will be taking guitar lessons in the Northland School Library on Mondays from 3pm to 6pm, Tuesdays from 4pm to 6pm, Wednesdays from 4:30pm to 6pm and Fridays from 3:30pm to 5pm. This is a wonderful opportunity for your child to start (or continue) learning to play an instrument. If you are interested or would like more information, please get in touch. Email: aabir.maz@gmail.com Ph: [027 267 1634](tel:0272671634)

Babysitting Jobs

My name is Tabby, I am fourteen years old and I am fundraising for a school language trip to Spain. I am looking for babysitting jobs around Northland. I have experience babysitting my younger brother. I also walk, an eight year old to her guitar lesson once a week as a job. If you are interested please text me 021 084 91420, thank you.

School Lunches – Tuesdays

Sushi Lunches

Place your order for Tuesdays now via www.ezlunch.co.nz. It's the same team, sushi, varieties and prices, just a new website for orders. Order now for the rest of term.

sushilunchwellington@gmail.com 220810781 www.ezlunch.co.nz.

School Lunches – Fridays

Subway School Lunches

We provide lunch to your child's school on Fridays. We have changed the menu format, removing the need to select a size when ordering lunch. The size is now included with the meat/veggie selection. So, when ordering, first select the bread, then the meat/veggie and size, then the sauces. Finally, chicken has been added to the menu choice too.

www.lunchonline.co.nz

Before and After School Care Providers

Before School Care

Northland School operates a Before School Care programme in our library each day. Rebecca Amos is our supervisor and the programme operates from 7.30 until 8.30am. Attendance can be regular or on an as needs basis. The cost is \$7.00 per child before 8.00am and \$5.00 from 8.00am. No need to book – just turn up.

Kelly Club

After School Care is provided for the Northland School community at the Northland Memorial Hall. Kelly Club is an OSCAR approved service provider and our objective is to give children opportunities to do the things they enjoy in a supportive and encouraging environment. We have a grassy outdoor area where the kids enjoy playing sports when the weather is nice. We offer full sessions (3.00-6.00pm) and also a half session option (3.00-4.30pm) and are happy to accept both permanent and casual bookings. Our prices are \$19 for a full session, \$12 for a half session. You can find out more information www.kellyclub.co.nz (Wellington area), email northland@kellyclub.co.nz or phone 022 010 9973.

Northland Kidz Club

After meeting the children at Northland School at 3pm, we're off to nearby parks or the school grounds for a good run-around (weather permitting). Then it's off to Kidz Club at St. Anne's Hall by the Northland Shops (corner of Northland and Randwick Roads) for more afternoon tea and relaxing fun. We're a not-for-profit community organisation (OSCAR approved and Child, Youth and Family accredited), aiming to provide family-style child care at a reasonable cost - \$16 for regulars (\$9 for the third child onwards), \$20 for casuals (\$11 for the third child onwards). We welcome children from all schools – come for a visit and see what we do. Contact Jan 022-140-2612 Lisa 022-680-3075 or e-mail us on nkc.jan@gmail.com Check out our website: www.nkc.org.nz