



**Northland  
School**

Te Kura o Orangi Kaupapa

# 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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*The slip and slide proved very popular at the Student Council's recent fun day at Northland Park*

## The Principal Point

### ***Year 8 Leavers' Dinner***

On Friday we hold a special evening for our Year 8 students to mark their transition from Northland School to college. This is always an amazing evening as we acknowledge their contribution to our school and reflect on many of their personal achievements. As a staff we have spent time over the last month discussing these noteworthy accomplishments. We have also talked about what an amazing group of young

leaders they are and how much we value their contributions to the school. At this time of the year we talk a lot about how their special input into Northland School and how this helps make it such a special place - this year is no exception. Despite college looming so large in their near future our Year 8s have remained their usual focused and hardworking selves – ready to leave but still an essential part of Northland School.

Our thanks to the parents of our Year 7 students who organise this event so that our Year 8 parents are able to sit back and enjoy this special occasion. Just another example of the ways that our parent community contribute so much to our community of learners.

### ***End of Year Student Reports***

Our end of year summary reports on student progress go live through our parent portal this Thursday, 13 December, at midday. With the demise of National Standards we have taken the opportunity to revamp our reports so that they provide parents with greater information about how our teachers see our learners both in the classroom and their interactions with their peers.

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Our reports still focus heavily on reading, writing and mathematics but we have given extra emphasis to three of the key competencies from the New Zealand Curriculum - Managing Self, Relating to Others, and Participating and Contributing. We have also expanded the teacher comment section and renamed it as teacher reflection. Feedback from our parent community over the years highlights this section as the one parents really do read in depth as it provides more important personal insights into your child as a learner.



Further information about the reports and the codes used is available on our school website under the 'Useful Information' tab.

*The final Team 1 assembly for the year was held recently in the Viggers Centre. This was the last time this event will be held in this place as next year we will need to find an alternative venue for these special events as our building project takes over the Viggers Centre.*

**Jeremy Edwards - Principal**

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## School News

### PMP Help Needed for 2019

Team 1 teachers (Year 1 and 2) are planning ahead for our Perceptual Motor Programme (PMP) in Term 1, 2019. This wonderful programme focuses on the development of co-ordination and motor skills, has a very beneficial effect on children's physical and academic skills, and is perfect for the beginning of the year. PMP relies on help from adult volunteers who supervise a small group of children as they carry out an activity. PMP runs from 9.00 – 10.30am every Monday, Wednesday and Friday throughout Term 1. We are seeking volunteers to help run this wonderful programme – we also welcome help from the wider school community – not just Team 1. If you can help out, even if it is just for one morning during the term - more would be fantastic of course - please contact Hannah Fairbairn in Room 3 or email [hannahf@northland.school.nz](mailto:hannahf@northland.school.nz)

### End of Year Reports and Student Portfolios

End of year summary reports on student progress for all students (except Room 15) will be available through our parent portal from midday Thursday 13 December. If you do not have Internet access or would prefer a hard copy of your child's report then please contact our school office. To access this secure site you will need to use the email address that you have supplied us and that you used in the middle of the year. If you have forgotten your password then click on **forgot password** and follow the prompts.

Included in the report itself is your child's attendance for this year to date and, where relevant, their teacher and room for 2019.

All previous reports for the last two years are also available through the parent portal.

Student Portfolios will be coming home with your child on Thursday. These provide up-to-date samples of your child's work this year and show progress over their time at Northland School. We would like these returned at the start of the 2019 school year.

### **End of Year Community Assembly - Thursday 20 December, 9.30am**

Family and friends of Northland School are invited to our end of year community assembly on Thursday 20 December. This will be held at the Northland Community Centre in Woburn Road commencing at 9.30am.

### **School Closing for the Year – 2pm**

Northland School closes for the year on Thursday 20 December at **2pm**. The new school year commences on Monday 4 February 2019 at 8.55am.

### **Morning Tea for Parent Helpers – Monday 17 December**

Set aside time next Monday, 17 December, to join the staff for morning tea at 10.30am in the library. If you have helped the school in any way this year, please join us. This is our opportunity to say thank you for helping us in so many ways.

### **Before School Care Supervisor Required**

We are in need of a caring person to take on the important role of Before School Care Supervisor for 2019. Rebecca Amos is leaving us to further her studies and we are looking for someone who can spare an hour a day, 5 days a week from 7.30 – 8.30am to look after a number of students. The pay rate is \$30 per hour and would ideally suit someone who has university lectures at 9.00am. Please contact the school office for further information.

### **School T Shirts**

Please return all school T shirts to school office asap please, thank you.

### **Last Day for School Lunches**

The final day for Subway lunches is Friday 14 December. Sushi lunches have finished for the year.

## **2019 Information**

### **School Commences**

The first day of the 2019 school year is Monday 4 February. The school will be closed on Wednesday 6 February for Waitangi Day.

### **School Picnic**

The school picnic will be held on Thursday 7 February at Wainuiomata Pool.

## Year 7 and 8 Camp

The 2019 camp for our Year 7 and 8 students will be held from 18 – 22 February (the third week of school) at Palm Grove Camp at Paraparaumu.

## 2019 Stationery Lists

2019 stationery lists will be available for Years 2 – 8 students from 13 December on our school website under the Useful Information tab. Year 1 stationery packs will be available from the school office.

## Bring Your Own Device (BYOD)

Northland School allows students in Years 3 – 8, with parental permission, to bring a Chromebook to school. There is no requirement or expectation for a student to have their own device. Please note that only Chromebooks are permitted to be brought to school for use in classrooms. Some of our senior students do have cellphones that are kept in their bags as these are for use after school.

Each Chromebook, either school or student owned, will have a Google Chrome Management Console downloaded. This provides our staff with much greater control of student access to the Internet when Chromebooks are at school.

For further information about BYOD and the Google Chrome Management Console please check our website under the Useful Information tab.

## Quality of the Week – Friendliness

Friendliness is being a friend. It is taking an interest in other people. It is going out of your way to make others feel welcome or to make a stranger feel at home. When you are friendly, you happily share your belongings, time, ideas and feelings. You share the good times and the bad times together. Friendliness is the best cure for loneliness.

## Term Dates for 2018

Term 4: Monday 15 October – Thursday 20 December

## Diary Dates for 2018

### Term 4

13 December, Thursday	Reports go live, midday
14 December, Friday	Year 8 Leavers' Dinner
17 December, Monday	Parent Thank You Morning Tea, 10.30am Team 4 Sports Day
18 December, Tuesday	Team 4 to Thorndon Pool Team 3 to Botanic Gardens Team 2 to Island Bay

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Thursday 20 December

End of Year Community Assembly. 9.30am

School closes, 2pm

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## Term Dates for 2019

Term 1:	Monday 4 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 December

## Diary Dates for 2019

### Term 1

4 February, Monday	School begins, 8.55am
6 February, Wednesday	Waitangi Day – school closed
7 February, Thursday	School Picnic, Wainuiomata Pool
12 February, Tuesday	Board of Trustees Meeting, 7.00pm, staffroom
18 – 22 February	Team 4 Camp, Kāpiti Coast

## 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.*

### Charity Gift Stall – Thank you

Thank you to all the people who supported our Northland gift stall last week. Our charity project raised \$230 which we are giving to the SPCA, Wellington Night Shelter and the Children’s Hospital. We hope you enjoyed your yummy treats and gifts.

### Thank You – Cats Protection League

Thank you all for bringing in cat stuff for my project. There was some really cool stuff! The Cats Protection League loved everything and they were very thankful.

### Wellington Girls’ College Uniform For Sale

Please email [alex@olimac.co.nz](mailto:alex@olimac.co.nz) for further details.

### Summer Holiday Programme – Northland Kidz Club

Every day, we're out-and-about exploring the Wellington area. We'll be ice-skating, swimming, go-karting and playing mini-golf, seeing kids theatre productions, going on tours, playing ten-pin bowls, not to mention “Mission Inflatable” “Time Cinema” going to Somes / Matiu Island, doing a Circus Workshop and much more. \$45 per child per day (third child onwards :\$20), 8.30am to 6.00pm each day. For details, check out our website ([www.nkc.org.nz](http://www.nkc.org.nz)) or contact Jan on cell (022-140-2612) e-mail ([nkc.jan@gmail.com](mailto:nkc.jan@gmail.com))

### **Northland Kidz Club - Meeting Children at 2 pm on the Last Day of School**

We'll be meeting the kids when school finishes at 2 pm on Thursday 20 December, and would love for you to join us at our end-of-year party. Come casually (\$20 per child) or as a regular (\$16 per child). If you're not already booked in for this day, contact Lisa on 022-680-3075. Jan on 022-140-2612, or e-mail ([nkc.jan@gmail.com](mailto:nkc.jan@gmail.com)). Enjoy your Christmas holidays !

### **Kelly Club Wilton January Holiday Programme**

Monday 7 January – Friday 1 February 2019 – Wests Rugby Clubrooms, Ian Galloway Park, Wilton.

Kelly Club Holiday Programmes focus on giving children aged between 5 and 13 the opportunity to do things they enjoy in a safe, supportive and encouraging environment. The programmes are packed with activities to entertain and inspire children. We have some exciting trip days planned: Strike, Carlucci Land, Silverstream Railway, Zealandia plus a Harry Potter Day!

### **Inflatable Football Arena – 3 vs 3 Football Comp – \*\*New\*\***

3 vs 3 Football competition on our new inflatable arena! Register as an individual and we put you into a team. Come along and have some fun! Held at the Wests Rugby Clubrooms, Ian Galloway Park, Wilton – 9.30am-12.30pm. Friday 11 January, Friday 18 January, Friday 25 January.

### **Netball Holiday Programme – Onslow College Gym, Johnsonville**

Grow your child's confidence with our netball skills programme, focusing on the key skills areas for their level of development. Children aged 5 - 12 can work on the ball handling, game sense, co-ordination, speed and accuracy with our experienced coaches. Using fun drills and games to develop and challenge young players while also having fun! 14 – 16 January  
Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday 1.30 - 4.30pm

### **Stop Motion Animation – January 2019**

Popular movie making creativity with LEGO and coloured paper based in Newtown. Options for three or four days (9.00am to 5.00pm) in the week starting Monday 14 January 2019. For more information go to [www.newtownmovieschool.co.nz](http://www.newtownmovieschool.co.nz) or contact Craig Lauridsen 021 966 277 or [nms@acumen.net.nz](mailto:nms@acumen.net.nz)

### **Everyone Out Summer Holiday Programme**

Running this January at Huntleigh Park, Crofton Downs. The programme will let your kids freely play and explore outside with no screens and very few 'toys'. They will be supported to create, challenge themselves and most importantly have fun! For more information check out our Facebook Page or enrol your child at <https://enrolmy.com/everyone-out>

### **Pride Lands Fun Holiday Adventures**

Summer Holidays at Otari School and Berhampore School – Dates: 17 December 2018 – 1 February 2019 from 7.00am-7pm daily Fees: Daily \$81/cub per session or \$148 for two or more siblings per session. Weekly: \$239 per cub/week or \$449 for two or more siblings/week. Discounts/Funding Available: Wild Card (15%) off across all our services. MSD approval providing WINZ Subsidies for eligible families. Social Development: Interactive

Activities and NO TV or Video Games, Kai Cubs Cooking and Life Skills Programme creating healthy Breakfast, Lunch and Afternoon Teas.

Overnight Sleepover: Some of our cubs will have an overnight sleepover as part of our community challenge. Night entertainment includes spotlight, smoothies and movie nights. Qualified First Aid Trained Activities Coordinators, One-on-One Care: Available for cub(s) if extra support is needed. SHUTTLE SERVICES (with booster seats) AVAILABLE  
Please contact us: 0800 PRIDE 4 U Or Register online: [www.pridelands.org.nz](http://www.pridelands.org.nz) or visit our Facebook page: [www.facebook.com/PrideLandsChildcare](https://www.facebook.com/PrideLandsChildcare)

### **Marrzipan Drama Holiday Workshops**

Developing self confidence and public speaking ability in a fun, relaxed atmosphere. 1-5 day courses available running 8.30am-5.00pm for \$60 per day (discount for the whole week!) For more information check out our website. Spaces limited to 16 per group so your child gets the special attention they deserve!

W: [www.marrzipandrama.co.nz](http://www.marrzipandrama.co.nz)

E: [workshops@marrzipandrama.co.nz](mailto:workshops@marrzipandrama.co.nz)

T: 0275217352

### **#RAD ProjectB - Calling All Boys**

An action packed 2 day dance workshop that will be challenging, fun and creative. Lead by experienced male teachers, including ballet, hip-hop and contemporary dance for boys from beginners to advanced aged 8-18.

Extreme Dance Paremata, Porirua Application forms available at [www.rad.org.nz/project-b](http://www.rad.org.nz/project-b)

### **Sunshine Drama 2019**

A creative and fun learning space for students aged 4 - 15 years of age. Sessions engage imaginative minds, grow confidence and build communication, performance and social skills. For 2019 class information or to arrange a free trial class, contact: Jenae 0274380533 or visit [www.sunshinedrama.co.nz](http://www.sunshinedrama.co.nz)

### **Holiday Help**

Are you going away over the Christmas break but don't have anyone to water your garden, collect mail, or feed your pets? I'm Hannah Scholten, Year 11 at Wellington Girls College and I would be happy to help. I'm also available for babysitting and have lots of experience with families around the Northland area. Text me on 0221825214

## **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](http://www.kellyclub.co.nz) (Wellington area), email [northland@kellyclub.co.nz](mailto: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](mailto:nkc.jan@gmail.com) Check out our website: [www.nkc.org.nz](http://www.nkc.org.nz)