



**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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All classes visited our relocated library on the first day. The new space is in Room 15 and the move is part of the work required to prepare ourselves for our building project.

The Principal Point

A very special welcome to the start of the new school year. We hope that everyone enjoyed this great summer and managed to remain cool on those extra hot days. An extra welcome to the 13 students and their families who are joining us for the first time. Northland School is a very special learning community and we look forward to growing those strong family relationships as we work together to support all of our learners. We hope all new children and their families (even if they have siblings here already) will join us for our powhiri on Thursday 14 February.

We welcome the following new staff members to Northland School – Lauren Peatfield (Room 1, Year 1), Emma Chapman (Room 5, Year 2), Trish Scofield (Room 8, Year 3 and 4), Gabrielle Crothall (Room 13, Year 7 and 8) and Beccy Harding (Before School Care and teacher aide support). Congratulations to Vicky Balfour who gave birth to Hamish 11 hours after the last day of the school year! At the end of the term we will be saying goodbye to Hannah Fairbairn, our Associate Principal with responsibility for pastoral care, as she is moving to Waipukurau. The school will shortly commence the process to seek a new associate principal.

Our thanks to Tony Dawbin, our caretaker, and his family for moving mountains of furniture over the holiday break as part of the preparation for the building project.

Some quick updates

School picnic

This Thursday, 7 February, at Wainuiomata Pool – a separate picnic newsletter is included with this newsletter.

Meet the Teacher/Parents BBQ - Tuesday 12 February.

This is an informal evening for families to meet their child's teacher. The school will have its BBQ available and families are invited to bring their dinner and meet other members of our school community. Apart from Team 4, there are no official meetings to hear about class programmes etc. Instead teachers will be in their own rooms between 5.45 to 6.30pm for your child to introduce you to them. Full information about class programmes, class routines, homework expectations etc will be in Team or class newsletters. The Team 4 meeting will be held at 6.30pm and will outline the camp programme to be held 18 – 22 February. This meeting is an opportunity for Team 4 parents to hear about activities planned for that week.

EOTC (Education Outside the Classroom) Permission Form

We do seek parent permission to take students out of the school grounds on trips or visits. A copy of the EOTC permission form will be coming home today with each student (unless already signed for this year). Please read the notes attached and sign and return the form. It would be appreciated if all forms could be returned by tomorrow (Tuesday) or Thursday, ready for our picnic day.

Board of Trustees Meeting

The first meeting of the Northland School Board of Trustees is on Tuesday 12 February at 7.15pm. Meetings are held in the staffroom and are open to parents and caregivers of Northland School students.

Building Update

Shortly the school will be undertaking a major rebuild. It has taken 7 years to get to this stage but we now expect the contract to be awarded in late February with contractors on site in April. Before then there will be many meetings to determine the management of all health and safety issues and how we will continue to operate as a school while this \$10 million project is under construction. We will continue to keep everyone fully informed as decisions are made that may affect the way we have usually functioned. All after school classes, except for guitar lessons and Kelly Sports, will not be offered as the Viggers Centre and old library will not be available for use from April. Brownies and Guides start next week and will be based at the Community Centre.

We have moved our library to its new temporary location and all classes visited this new space today. We have also moved our butterfly garden to a space outside the new library area. This frees up some land for a new junior playground to be built later in the term. The old junior playground will be demolished as part of the building project.

Jeremy Edwards - Principal

School News

Whakatau – a welcome

On Thursday 14 February we will hold our whakatau to welcome new children, their families and new staff members to Northland School. A whakatau is a simplified powhiri and at Northland School will be entirely led by our students. Our students will “call” our new people into the school – other students will reply on their behalf. All speeches for both tangata whenua and manuhiri will be given by our students as well. The whole school will support both groups with waiata. This will be followed by a hongi and then morning tea. Parents of new students are invited to meet in the staffroom at 9.15am for a short briefing before the whakatau commences at 9.30am.

Whānau Hui

Tēnā koutou katoa

I would like to warmly welcome you all to this term’s Whānau Group Hui, on Monday 18 February at 7:00pm in the staffroom. We encourage you to come and share your ideas. Following this there will be 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

Lunch Orders Start Tuesday 12 February

School lunches begin on Tuesday 12 February (sushi) and Friday 15 February (Subway). Further information about ordering lunches is available in the community notices section of this newsletter.

Before School Care

Northland School operates a Before School Care programme in our old library space each day. This year the programme is available from 7.30 until 8.35am. Beccy Harding is the supervisor. Attendance can be regular or on an as needs basis. There is no need to book. The cost is \$7.00 per child before 8.00am and \$5.00 from 8.00am.

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.

2019 Staff

Principal

Jeremy Edwards

Associate Principals

Jane Batchelor – Curriculum

Hannah Fairbairn - Pastoral

Team 1

Room 1: Emma McElrea - Yr 1

Room 2: Lauren Peatfield - Yr 1

Room 3: Hannah Fairbairn

Room 4: Gill Sim – Yr 2 (Team Leader)

Room 5: Emma Chapman – Yr 2

Team 2

Room 6: Nathalie Lecaude – Yr 3 and 4 (Team Leader)

Room 7: Ange Scholten – Yr 3 and 4

Room 8: Trish Scofield – Yr 3 and 4

Team 3

Room 9: Lizzie Ryan - Yr 5 and 6 (Team Leader)

Room 10: Juliet McPhee - Yr 5 and 6

Room 11: Katie McGrath – Yr 5 and 6

Team 4

Room 12: Alex Oliver – Yr 7 and 8 (Team Leader)

Room 13: Gabrielle Crothall – Yr 7 and 8

Room 14: Fiona Valentine – Yr 7 and 8

Part Time Teachers

Eleanor Ainsworth, Karen Sturgeon (Reading Recovery), Jim Tither, Hemi Prime (Kapa Haka)

Office Staff

Julia Truesdale, Ann Dalton

Support Staff

Rachelle Samaniego (Librarian), Erwin Palado (Lexia programme), Jo Michie, Kate Roberts, Leanne McCarty, Alexis Young, Beccy Harding

Before School Care Supervisor

Beccy Harding

Caretaker

Tony Dawbin

Quality of the Week – Kindness

Kindness is showing you care, doing some good to make life better for others. It is being thoughtful about people's needs. Kindness is showing love and compassion to someone who is sad or needs your help. Kindness is treating yourself and others gently. It is caring about the earth and all living things.

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

6 February, Wednesday	Waitangi Day – school closed
7 February, Thursday	School Picnic, Wainuiomata Pool
12 February, Tuesday	PMP Parent Helper Training, 2.30pm Meet the Teacher Evening, from 5.30 – 7.00pm Board of Trustees Meeting, 7.00pm, staffroom Pedal Ready programme - Team 4, commences
14 February, Thursday	Whakatau for new students and families, 9.30am
18 – 22 February	Team 4 Camp, Kāpiti Coast
18 February, Monday	Whānau hui, 7.00pm, staffroom
19 February, Tuesday	Pedal Ready programme - Team 3, commences
21 February, Thursday	Te Matatini – Year 6, Westpac Stadium
25 – 29 February	Progressive Achievement Tests (PATs), Yr 3 – 8
26 February, Tuesday	Western Zone Cricket
28 February, Thursday	Western Zone Cricket, postponement date
4 March, Monday	Swimming, Team 4, commences

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.

Clothing Collection

The first week of each term we run a clothing collection. Items donated will go directly to children in need at a low decile school in the Wellington region. Donations of clothing and shoes for children may be left at the school office Monday 4 – Monday 11 February.

Makara Model School Twilight Fair

Makara Model School Twilight Fair coming up on 22 February, 4pm to 8pm. We are raising money to move the original school building (1800s) to the current school grounds as it is not being looked after or used in its current location and we need the space. Food, entertainment, stalls, and yes, there will be pony rides....

Karori Arts and Crafts Centre art classes (5 years to teens)

Term 1 kids + teens art classes begin the week of 18 February at the Karori Arts and Crafts Centre, and we are holding \$10 trial classes the week starting 11 February for most classes so that you can try the classes out. We have fun, hands on art classes for kids of all ages (from 5 years to teens) at 7 Beauchamp St, Karori (behind the Karori Rec Centre). We also have evening art classes for adults. Please book classes online at www.kacc.org.nz or email us at info@kacc.org.nz if you would like to book in for a trial class. We'd love to see you!

Leaping Lizards School of Dance Open Day

Saturday 9 February, 9.30am-12.30pm FREE CLASSES

Fun, friendly dance classes for girls and boys aged 2 years and up. Jazz, Hip-Hop and Pre-School Dance at Dancetopia, brand new dance studios, 11 Torrens Terrace, Wellington. Check out the full schedule on the Leaping Lizards Facebook page, email leapinglizardsdance@outlook.com or call Lorna on 021 1770685. Visit www.leaping-lizards.co.nz to find out more about us 😊

Pre-school Music and Movement

Community run interactive and fun music sessions for you and your little one – followed by morning tea and free play time. Thursdays (starting 7 February) 10.00am during term time (entry by donation.) St Johns in the City Hall (corner Willis and Dixon Streets) (Casual attendance is fine.) **Naomi Lane, phone 021 489 097**

Tennis

Karori Lawn Tennis club has places for beginner tennis players Wednesday 3:15 starting on 13 February. Please contact Margaret at kltcjuniortennis@gmail.com for further information.

Drama

Sunshine Drama provides 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.

'Mainly Music' for Northland pre-schoolers

A fun interactive music session for pre-schoolers and their parents/carers to enjoy together on Wednesdays during term time from 9.30-10.45am at St Anne's Church Hall (corner Northland and Randwick Roads). Includes morning tea and playtime. Kicks off Wednesday 13 February. No charge to come and check it out. Thereafter \$5 per session. You are welcome! Please contact Catherine McIntosh on 021 408 179 or northlandmainlymusic@gmail.com

Raroa Music Centre Enrolments for 2019

Raroa Music Centre offers Saturday morning group music lessons for primary school children at low cost. We still have availability for students in music basics, choir, recorder, ukulele, cello, clarinet, flute, drums, and orchestra. To enrol for 2019 visit our website at www.raroamusic.org.nz and enrol online. Enrolments close 9 February 2019.

Drama Club

Afterschool Speech and Drama classes for children. I have small classes of approximately 5-7 students and all classes are grouped by similar age. Solo/group drama examinations are available for children of all ages. Please check the online class times for more details. Enrol your child at www.dramaclub.co.nz, or email Bridie at bridie@dramaclub.co.nz. Alternatively you can contact Bridie on 021 054 2593



Kelly Sports TERM 1

Kelly Sports will be back in Term 1 with their fun and exciting classes. Kelly Sports encourages children to have fun, build confidence and to give sport a go. We believe that sport and physical activity has so much to offer young people; it improves fitness, develops communication skills, team work and gives them a place to channel their energy.

Back to School Sports! (Years 1-2) – Mondays 3.05pm-4.05pm. Learn the fundamentals of all sports – throwing, running, jumping, striking, balance and many more. Includes fun games and drills to build these skills.

Back to School Sports! (Years 2-4) – Mondays 3.05pm-4.05pm - Come and try **Circus Skills, Cricket, Football and Dodgeball**. It's a great way to try new sports, learn new skills and improve ability. We use games and drills to teach game sense and team play.

For full details and to enrol into our programmes visit www.kellysports.co.nz email adminwgtn@kellysports.co.nz or call 04 972 7201.

School Lunches – Tuesdays

Sushi Lunches-Starting 12th February 2019

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-starting 15th February 2019

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

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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