



**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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*Dishing up the delicious fresh fruit salad (with ice cream)– just 80 more servings to go and then the adults can help themselves!*

*Mealtimes were always something to look forward to at camp.*

Team 4 has returned from a week at camp. Judging by the very tired looking faces that emerged from the buses late last Friday a great, but exhausting, time was had by all. Our thanks to the following parents who were able to take time from their busy lives to make the camp such a success: Tina Dome, Mary Craythorne, Jane Wild, Angela Sheppard, John Willmer, Kylie Redgrave, John Schicker, Sarah Maxwell, Bec Plant, Karen Ramsbottom, Jo Gilbert, Trevor Just, Thijs Nicolas, Nicole Moreham,

Jody Farmer, Brent Manning, Brendon Riches and Lizzie Masseur.

A special thanks to our three staff, Alex Oliver, Fiona Valentine and Gabrielle Crothall, who spent many hours planning this special event and were “on duty” for the entire week. Going away for a week to camp is a huge undertaking and we thank them for their commitment to their students in enabling this special part of the Team 4 programme to happen.

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## **The Principal Point**

### **Parent Teacher Conferences and Goal Setting**

The first round of reporting to parents for all students will be on the afternoons and evenings of Tuesday 12 March and Thursday 14 March. These will be held between 3.15 and 5.00pm and between 6.00 – 7.45pm on both days. Conferences are for 15 minutes. If you feel you need longer than 15 minutes please make another suitable time with your child's teacher.

Parent Teacher conferences are an important part of your child's education. They provide an opportunity for the parents and teacher to share accomplishments since the start of the year, comment on your child's attitude and social interaction and discuss areas needing additional attention. The conferences are also an important time to establish a focus for Term 2.

In this first set of two way conferences we will be discussing learning goals for your child and share some of our assessment information from the first few weeks of the year. We will report back on these goals at the next round of conferences in late June and early July as well as involving your children in the conference itself if they are in Years 4 – 8.

We always welcome any input from you that will assist us to better know your child. Together we can recognise the student's successes and discuss any strategies necessary to support your child in specific areas of learning. Their learning success is so dependent on home and school working together. To help us even further you may wish to complete an optional questionnaire. This questionnaire is available to download from the school website or from the school office. Please return this to your child's teacher.

You or your child's teacher may wish to organise to meet at some other mutually convenient time. We are always available throughout the year.

### ***Booking Two Way Conferences***

You can book a time for the conference on-line. Go to [www.schoolinterviews.co.nz](http://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz) – our school code is **bax57** - then follow the on-line instructions. The website is now "mobile friendly". If you do not have Internet access or would prefer to book a time at school, please talk to Julia and Ann in the school office and they will arrange a time for you.

***Jeremy Edwards – Principal***

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## **School News**

### **Pizza Thursday**

The first Pizza Thursday of the year, organised by the Home and School Committee, is on Thursday 7 March. Pizzas are \$6.00 and orders need to be with the school office by 3.00pm on Wednesday 6 March. No late orders are able to be accepted. Order forms are available from the school office or can be downloaded from the school website.

## **Team 4 Swimming**

A reminder that Team 4 start swimming lessons on Monday 4 March and that lessons are on Mondays and Wednesdays. We depart at 9.30 am for Kilbirnie Aquatic Centre and return to school at 11.45. Please ensure your child has togs, towel and goggles for every lesson. A note or email from a parent or caregiver is required if your child is unable to participate in any lesson. Thank you for your support.

## **Western Zone Cricket**

An amazing day was had by all at the Western Zone Cricket held at Karori Park yesterday. Our wonderful parents were fantastic supporters and umpires, boosted along with coffees and Tim Tams. A huge thank you to all as this tournament could not run without your support.

The team spirit was fabulous to see by all Northland School students and you can be very proud of yourselves. Brilliant photos of this event taken by Katie are now posted on the sports noticeboard. Well done everyone.

***Angela Scholten and Katie McGrath***

## **Yummy Apple Stickers**

A reminder to all Northland School families and friends please keep munching as the Yummy Apple Sticker promotion is in full swing. If you require a collection sheet these are available from the office. The more the stickers the more the sports gear. You are more than welcome to encourage the wider community to also assist.

***Angela Scholten***

## **Registering to Play Netball – Northland School Teams**

Registrations are now open for the winter netball season. Registration is available for all students in Years 2 - 8 and all abilities are welcome. All new Year 2 and 3 players receive a FREE netball! The club is parent/volunteer led, no previous experience in coaching or netball is required, just a keen interest to see your child learn new skills and watch them enjoying sport, so please think about becoming involved.

Information and registration can be found at [www.sporty.co.nz/northland](http://www.sporty.co.nz/northland). Registrations close 7 March.

## **Northland School Hoodies**

The very popular school hoodies are on sale again from next week. Rach will be at school next Wednesday 6, Thursday 7 and Friday 8 March before and after school for parents to try sizes. There will be a selection of sample sizes available for fitting. That way you can have a look at sizing before making an order. Forms for ordering will be available next week.

Payment can be made by:

- Eftpos in the school office
- Internet banking – **12 3174 0326688 00** (please put family name and hoodie in the reference section)

Any questions or queries please contact Rach Hay on 021 433930.

## Disco - Friday 15 March - Our last school disco in the Viggers Centre!

Counting down the days to our last Disco at the Viggers Centre! Put it in your diary, Friday 15 March. It will be special night your children do not want to miss!

To make this disco another success we need parent volunteers, if you can spare an hour or two of your time, we would like to hear from you. We need 12 volunteers for the Junior disco (Year 1 - 4) 5:00 - 7:00pm and 10 volunteers for the Senior disco (Year 5 - 8) 7:00 - 9:00pm.

We especially need help to set-up and clean-up before and after the disco. If you are able to help with the Junior Disco can you please contact [lucy.dye@outlook.com](mailto:lucy.dye@outlook.com) and for the setup, Senior Disco and clean up can you please respond to [lizziemasseurs@gmail.com](mailto:lizziemasseurs@gmail.com).

We will have more details in next week's newsletter regarding food and special events during the junior and senior discos.

## Quality of the Week – Confidence

Confidence is having faith in something or someone. It is a kind of trust. When you have self-confidence, you trust that you have what it takes to handle whatever happens. You feel sure of yourself and enjoy trying new things. When you are confident in others, you rely on them and confide in them.

## 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 March, Monday	Swimming, Team 4, commences
12 March, Tuesday	Parent Teacher Conferences
14 March, Thursday	Parent Teacher Conferences
15 March, Friday	School disco
18 March, Monday	Arts Festival, Team 4
19 March, Tuesday	Western Zone Football
20 March, Wednesday	Arts Festival, Team 1
4 April, Friday	Team 1 Assembly, 2.30pm
9 April, Tuesday	Year 3 Sports Festival
12 April, Friday	End of Term Community Assembly, 9.30am

## 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.*

### **Wellington College Art Collection Exhibition**

On Friday, 8 and Saturday, 9 March, Wellington College's Alan Gibbs Centre will be transformed into a showcase of Art and Creativity!

Parents, caregivers, students, Old Boys, future students and the general public are encouraged to feast their eyes on this visual extravaganza. Featuring significant works from the Colleges' own collection – many that have never been seen by the public before. Original works from Wellington College staff are available for sale along with some selected prints of historical works. An exhibition of student art from years 9 – 13 round out this inspiring exhibition – a chance to see the artists of the future.

#### ***Friday, 8 March - Opening Night***

- 6.00pm - 8.00pm: All school community and general public are welcome to join us at the opening evening
- Sale of available artworks will commence this evening so be in quick to secure one of these originals
- Refreshments Provided - thanks to our refreshment sponsor, Six Barrel Soda Co
- Tickets \$25 Adults / Students Free (with an adult) - available for sale on the Wellington College Website [www.wellington-college.school.nz](http://www.wellington-college.school.nz)

#### ***Saturday, 9 March - Exhibition Open Day***

- 10.00am – 4.00pm
- The exhibition and sale will be open all day
- Entry by koha
- Parking available on school grounds

Please contact Ali Brown for more information [ali@licoricedesign.co.nz](mailto:ali@licoricedesign.co.nz)

### **Togs and Goggles Needed**

If you are having a clear out of your togs and goggles, could you please send any unwanted items to the school office. A Decile 1 school in Lower Hutt is in great need of swimming togs (boys and girls) and goggles in order for the children to take part in a fabulous swimming programme. They would be grateful for anything, all shapes and sizes of togs welcome.

### **West's Junior Rugby Club**

Invites **you** to play rugby this season. The club is open to girls and boys from 3-13, starting out at Nursery and Ripa before moving to tackle for the Under 8s onwards which are weight and age graded. Register online, ask a question or check our FAQ at <http://www.wests-junior-rugby.org.nz> Games start in Term 2, but the club welcome and weigh-in (and a chance to ask any questions in person) will be at our clubrooms at Ian Galloway Park on the Thursday 7 March (5:30 – 7:30pm) and Sunday 9 March (1:00 – 3:00pm)

### **Harbour City Junior Hockey**

We are writing to advise you that the 2019 Junior Hockey team registrations for year 3 to year 8 students are now open. We also collect Y1 and Y2 Student registrations for have a go hockey run by Capital Hockey. Registration forms are available through our website

**Harbour City Junior Hockey** Web: [hcjh.org.nz](http://hcjh.org.nz) Email: [harbourcityjh@gmail.com](mailto:harbourcityjh@gmail.com)

### **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 take guitar lessons at the school on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 3:15pm to 5:30pm. This is a wonderful opportunity for your child to start (or continue) learning to play the guitar. If you are interested or would like more information please get in touch. Email: [aabir.maz@gmail.com](mailto:aabir.maz@gmail.com) Ph: 027 267 1634.

### **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](http://www.dramaclub.co.nz), or email Bridie at [bridie@dramaclub.co.nz](mailto:bridie@dramaclub.co.nz). Alternatively you can contact Bridie on 021 054 2593

### **Children's Choir - Wellington Cathedral of St Paul**

My name is Michael Stewart and I direct the music at Wellington Cathedral of St Paul. I am writing to you to let you know about the opportunity for children to gain a free music education and singing tuition at the Cathedral, an acknowledged centre of musical excellence. We offer two choirs at the Cathedral: the first, the Children's Choir, is for children aged 5-8. In the Children's Choir members are taught basic musicianship and singing technique in a weekly rehearsal, and join with the Cathedral Choristers for a monthly Thursday evening service.

The Cathedral Choristers are a robed choir of 8-15 year old children, whose skills are developed in singing technique, music theory, public speaking and teamwork through two weekly rehearsals. They lead the weekly Thursday evening Evensong service, with choristers reciting the readings as well as leading all the sung components. The training that the choristers receive has equipped many graduates to proceed on to national choirs, such as the New Zealand Secondary Schools Choir, and many of the world's leading singers can attribute their start in their profession to having been trained as chorister.

We currently have vacancies in both of these choirs. If you are interested in finding out more, please do not hesitate to contact me on 021 477 257 or at [dom@wellingtoncathedral.org.nz](mailto:dom@wellingtoncathedral.org.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 (cnr Northland and Randwick Rds). Includes morning tea and playtime. No charge to come and check it out. You are welcome! Contact Catherine McIntosh on 021 408 179 or

[northlandmainlymusic@gmail.com](mailto:northlandmainlymusic@gmail.com)

## **Learn a new language the FUN way!**

French language classes Term 1 2019. Fun Languages Wellington runs pre-school, lunchtime and after-school French classes at various Wellington locations. Games, songs, drama and stories are taught in a relaxed and friendly atmosphere with the emphasis being on FUN! Language resources available to support parents at home. Free trial class is offered.

Other local after-school French classes available:

Northland Community Centre	Wednesday 3.30pm – 4.30pm - All levels
	Thursday 3.30pm – 4.30pm - All levels
St Ninians, Karori	Monday 3.15pm – 4.15pm - Beginners French
	Monday 4.15pm – 5.15pm – Advanced French
Khandallah School	Tuesday 3.30pm – 4.30pm

Contact details: -021 462 042 E: [annick@lcclubs.co.nz](mailto:annick@lcclubs.co.nz) or visit [www.lcclubs.co.nz](http://www.lcclubs.co.nz) or <https://www.facebook.com/funlanguageswellington/> for more information.

## **Kids Go Free at Staglands on Children's Day**

Staglands Wildlife Reserve will be celebrating Children's Day on Sunday 3 March by offering Free Entry into The Reserve for All Children. In addition to their usual attractions visitors can enjoy free off-road tractor-trailer rides. So if you are looking for a fun Children's day outing for the whole family; meet at Staglands and Connect with Nature on Sunday 3 March.

\*Offer is not available with any other offer. Children (0-16 years) must be accompanied by paying adult. For more information visit [www.staglands.co.nz](http://www.staglands.co.nz)

## **Northland House for Rent April - July 2019**

Do you know of anyone keen to rent a house for 3 months (Term 2 plus the holidays either side)? A lovely 4-bedroom house, 10 minutes walk to Northland school is available, comes fully furnished (and with guinea pigs if you want them!). Family are going overseas for a sabbatical. Contact Antonia [antoniamilkop@gmail.com](mailto:antoniamilkop@gmail.com) or 021818080 for more information.

## **Babysitting**

Hi! Our names are Caitlin O'Leary Nutter and Jess Hughes and we are looking for babysitting jobs in the Northland area or other suburbs close by. We are both ex Northland school students who are currently in year 11 at Wellington Girls' College. Payment is negotiable (and we will both be paid for the price of one.) If you are interested for us to babysit, please contact us at 020 41460863, thanks!

## **School Lunches**

### ***Sushi Lunches - Tuesdays***

Place your order for Tuesdays now via [www.ezlunch.co.nz](http://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](mailto:sushilunchwellington@gmail.com) 220810781 [www.ezlunch.co.nz](http://www.ezlunch.co.nz).

### ***Subway – Fridays***

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](http://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. Beccy Harding 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)