



**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 Principal Point

Paid Union Meeting – Tuesday 19 June

A message from the teachers' union NZEI Te Rui Roa

You may be aware of the nationwide crisis in recruiting and retaining teachers. While there are many more children coming into the school system, there are not enough new teachers being trained. Urgent and significant changes are needed to ensure that the teaching profession can attract the people it needs and to ensure class sizes do not start to increase.

On Tuesday 19 June, the teachers from Northland School will be attending a NZEI Te Riu Roa paid union meeting regarding the Kua Tae Te Wā - It's Time campaign. The campaign aims to free teachers to teach and principals to lead, by getting the additional support and staff that schools need. The meetings will allow our teachers to discuss how the Ministry of Education has responded to changes that the union is seeking.

Our teaching staff are members of NZEI and legally entitled to attend this meeting. The teachers will be leaving school at 1.00pm on Tuesday 19 June to attend their paid union meeting which starts at 2pm.

Parents are encouraged to make arrangements to pick their child(ren) up from school by 1.30pm on Tuesday 19 June. If you are unable to collect them or make other arrangements for your family, please advise us so that your children can be supervised until 3.00pm.

I appreciate that this creates some inconvenience for families. Anyone who may need help with arrangements should contact the office 475-7596 or office@northland.school.nz.

Jeremy Edwards - Principal

School News

School Photos – Monday 18 June

School photos will be taken on Monday 18 June. Information about the photos is included with this newsletter. For those families who download the newsletter or receive it by email the information leaflet will be sent home with your child.

You will be able to view your child's photos online prior to purchase. A unique code will be sent home several days after the photos are taken.

If you want sibling photos taken then please collect a **Sibling Photo Booking Form** from the school office and return it before Monday 18 June. If you have any queries please contact PhotoLife 0800 501 040 or www.photolife.co.nz.

Group photos will be taken for the Student Council, netball teams and basketball teams. Please ensure that your child has the correct sports uniform for photo day.

Our Year 8 students will also have a large group photo taken. This will be presented to them at the Year 8 Leavers Dinner in December with the school covering the cost of this photo.



Student Council Burger and Sausage Sizzle

Orders close on Thursday 7 June

The Student Council is holding a burger and sausage sizzle on Wednesday 13 June to raise funds for our sister school in Tonga. We are selling burgers (\$3.00) and sausages (\$2.00) – there are vegetarian and gluten-free sausages available. On the day tomato sauce and mustard will be available and burgers can be filled with tomato, lettuce and cheese. This year we will not be providing onions with the sausages.



Order forms are available from the school website or the school office. Orders need to be returned to classrooms by Thursday 7 June.

Sexuality Road Programme - Parent Information Evening

Each year our Year 5 - 8 students are involved in a sexuality education programme. An information evening about this programme will be held on Tuesday 12 June, in the library at 7:30pm. Scott Waring-Flood from NZ Family Planning will discuss the Sexuality Road Programme which will be taught in Term 3 (for Year 5 - 6 students) and Term 4 (for Year 7 - 8 students). All parents from Team 3 and 4 are welcome to attend to hear about the programme. Parents of children from any area of the school are also welcome to attend though the programme is aimed at children in Years 5 - 8.

Access Way to Carpark Now Open

The guttering behind Rooms 12 – 14 has finally been replaced and the scaffolding dismantled. The Tiger Turf and the access to the carpark are now open again. Our thanks for everyone's patience while we all waited for this project to be completed.

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Year 4 Students and National Monitoring Study

Northland School is participating in the National Monitoring Study of Student Achievement (NMSSA), conducted on behalf of the Ministry of Education. NMSSA has been carrying out national monitoring in New Zealand since 1995 and the information collected is very valuable for finding out how we can improve the education our children receive.

This year students in Year 4 are randomly selected to take part. The study looks at children's learning in mathematics and social studies. Later this week some parents with students in Year 4 will receive an email to highlight that their child has been selected. Please read this email and the NMSSA brochure carefully and then decide whether or not you wish your child to take part.

Curriculum Development – Parent Discussion Group

We are keen for some early parent input into the redevelopment of our school curriculum and Jane Batchelor would like to meet with a group of interested parents later in the term. If you would be interested in attending an afternoon or evening discussion please contact janeb@northland.school.nz.

Northland School Cross Country Update

Year 1 and 2 Cross Country

Information has been sent home today for parents with children in Year 1 and 2 about the Team 1 cross country to be held at Northland Park this Friday, 8 June, at 1.40pm.

Years 3 - 8

Due to the closure of Ian Galloway Park last week our 'official' school cross country was unable to be held. Last Thursday Teams 2 – 4 (Years 3 – 8) managed to find a gap in the weather to hold a run off at Northland Park. Congratulations to all students who took part and to those who have qualified for the Western Zone Cross Country competition.

The Western Zone Competition will be held at Karori Park on Tuesday 12 June (postponement Thursday 14 June).

Angela Scholten – Lead Teacher PE and Sport



Book Swap – Bring your books from Monday (11th) to Friday (15th)

From Monday 11 June through to Friday 15 June, students may bring in "gently used" books. Student librarians will collect them from the classrooms every day of that week. Each book turned in will earn one token, which students will then use to acquire books at the Book Swap. Maximum number of books a student may bring in is 3.

The Book Swap will be in Week 8 (Wednesday 20 June for Years 5 – 8 and Thursday 21 June for Years 1 – 4).

Book criteria:

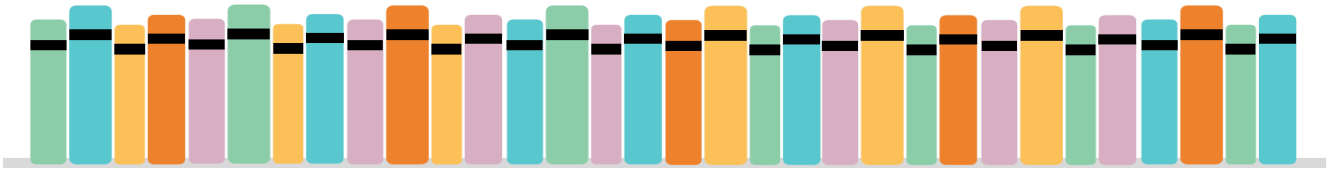
- Suitable for children in Years 1-8
- Gently used condition: cover on, no rips, or bent edges. No writing or colouring on them.

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- Colouring/activity/sticker books will not be accepted.
- Old public library books, or kids' meals books (McDonald's), will not be accepted.

We look forward to swapping exciting reading material with your children!

Rachelle and Lizzie from the Library



ICAS English/Maths – Entries close this Friday 8 June

Letters have been distributed to some families with students in Years 4 – 8 regarding this year's ICAS English/Maths Competitions. International Competitions and Assessments for Schools (ICAS) are academic competitions organised by Educational Assessment Australia of the University of New South Wales. At Northland School we provide the opportunity for all students in Years 4 – 8 to participate in ICAS English and Mathematics. These competitions are open to everyone but they are very challenging. If you would like your child to take part in the English or Maths Competition, but did not receive a letter, please contact the school office.

Entries for the ICAS English/Maths close on Friday 8 June.

New Parents Morning Tea – Friday 8 June, 9.00am

We wish to invite all new parents of Northland School for morning tea, to have a cuppa and meet other new parents. This is also a great opportunity to meet some of our Board members, our Senior Leadership Team and the Home and School Committee. It will be held in the staffroom after the morning bell at 8.55. Preschoolers most welcome.

Please contact Hannah Fairbairn, or Steph Prince (School Trustee) on 027 2222906/475 3299 to RSVP or with any questions, email hannahf@northland.school.nz

Out of Zone Ballot – Terms 3 and 4 2018 – Closes this Friday

The Board of Trustees has decided to hold a ballot for out of zone enrolment in Terms 3 and 4 this year. There are a limited number of places available and these are only at Years 1 – 6. Priority in any ballot is given to siblings of out of zone children already attending Northland School. Applications for the ballot close at 4pm on Friday 8 June. Further information and application forms are available from the school office.

Entertainment Books 2018/2019

The Entertainment Book fundraiser is wrapping up. If you do not want to purchase the book please return it to the school office asap - there is a drop box for ease of return. If you have friends or family that would like to purchase they can do so online or through the school office. <https://www.entertainmentbook.co.nz/orderbooks/104d215>

Home and School News



The Home and School Committee Meets Tonight (Wednesday 6 June), 7pm in the staffroom.

Pub Quiz - One Fat Bird Karori - Thursday June 21

Fundraiser for the Home and School Committee - Join us for a fun night of questions, raffles and prizes! Put a team together or just come along on the night 7pm for a 7.30pm start. Tickets on sale from the school office from next Monday \$15 each.

Pub Quiz -Raffle prizes needed

We are on the hunt for prizes for our raffle to make our annual pub quiz on 21 June a fundraising success. If you are able to donate items e.g. toiletries, vouchers etc that can be added to our prize pool, it would be most appreciated. Please contact Mary Swainson on 021 111 2378 or mikeandmary1@xtra.co.nz.

Student Success - College Sport Wellington Schools Orienteering Series Final Results

Great showing from Northland School – 2 of our Senior boys, first and second in the Year 7 and 8 Boys Championship. We also had some great results in the very competitive Year 7 and 8 Girls Championship and third placing in the Primary Boys Championship.

College Open Days

Onslow College – Wednesday 13 June, 5.00 – 7.30pm

Wellington College – Saturday 23 June, 9.00am and Monday 25 June, 9.00am

Wellington East Girls College – Thursday 14 June, 2.30 – 4.30pm and 6.00 – 8.00pm

Wellington Girls College – Friday 22 June, 9.15am and 11.00am

Wellington High School – Monday 11 June, 6pm

St Marys College – Thursday 14 June – 9.00am – 3.30pm

St Patricks College – Sunday 10 June, 1.30pm

Team 4 Science Fair Boards Available from the School Office

We purchase in bulk to give you the best price possible. White boards \$8.00 and colour boards \$10.00 and pay at school office or internet banking.

Our account details are ASB **12 3174 0326688 00**. Please note the name of your child in the reference section when setting up the payment.

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 4 catalogues have now been distributed. Deadline for orders is 18 June. 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.

Next Board of Trustees Meeting is

Tuesday 19 June at 7.00pm, in the staffroom. All parents welcome.

Steph Prince – Community Relations Portfolio

Quality of the Week – Gentleness

Gentleness is acting and speaking in a kind considerate way. It is using self-control not to hurt or offend anyone. You can be gentle with people and animals in the way you touch them and the way you speak to them. You handle things carefully so they will not break or be hurt. When you think gentle thoughts, it makes the world a safer place.

Diary Dates for 2018

7 June, Thursday	Pizza Thursday
8 June, Friday	Morning Tea for parents new to Northland School, 9.00am Year 1 and 2 Cross Country, 1.40pm Out of Zone Ballot closes 4pm
11 June, Monday	Swimming begins, Team 2
12 June, Tuesday	Western Zone Cross Country
13 June, Wednesday	Student Council Burger and Sausage Sizzle
14 June, Thursday	ICAS Writing
18 June, Monday	School photos
18 – 22 June	Book Swap
19 June, Tuesday	NZEI Paid Union Meeting, 2pm Board of Trustees, 7pm
20 June, Wednesday	Book Swap – Teams 3 and 4
21 June, Thursday	Mid-year reports available from midday Book Swap – Teams 1 and 2 Pub Quiz, Home and School Committee, 7pm
22 June, Friday	Team 1 Assembly, 2.30pm
28 June, Thursday	Mid-year interviews and conferences – Day 1
2 – 6 July	Matariki Week
3 July, Tuesday	Mid-year interviews and conferences – Day 2
4 July, Wednesday	Matariki Dawn Service, 6.00am Matariki Assembly, 9.30am
5 July, Thursday	Pizza Thursday
6 July, Friday	Community assembly, 9.30am

Term Dates for 2018

Term 2:	Monday 30 April – Friday 6 July
Term 3:	Monday 23 July – Friday 28 September
Term 4:	Monday 15 October – Thursday 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.

Drama Classes After School

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!)

Blended Family Success

Discover how to help children adjust to step family life and create a united, supportive home atmosphere. Overcome common challenges and learn practical strategies that really work from New Zealand's leading stepfamily presenter. Live happily ever after in your stepfamily! Only ONE Wellington workshop this year. Numbers limited. You must register to secure your place. When: Saturday 23 June, 9am – 4pm. For more information go to: www.blendedfamilysuccess.nz/events email: adele@stepfamilyhelp.info phone/txt: 021 404 742

Conscious Discipline – Workshop for Parents

Come along to learn what conscious discipline is and how it encourages our children to co-operate more, allowing us to discipline them less. Leave with a variety of practical and respectful strategies to keep in your back pocket...and have more ease and joy with your children. Wednesday 27 OR Thursday 28 June, 7:30-9:30. To book or find out more go to www.julielouisson.com/workshops/

Scouting

Does your child love the outdoors and learning new things? The 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 Scout 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.

Fundraiser -The Incredibles 2 Movie Premier in Wellington

This is a fundraiser for Mia and Poppy's Wgtn Girls College Biology Class Research Trip to Ecuador and the Galapagos. Friday 15 June at the Penthouse Cinema, Brooklyn 5:45pm arrival for a 6:00pm start. Text Ruth 021-1647181 for tickets - \$20 each.

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