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Te Kura o Orangi Kaupapa

Newsletter

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A large number of our students have recently taken part in a Futsal tournament and the Western Zone Cricket day.

The Principal Point

Over the next week families should receive in the post important information from the school. This includes a printout of the contact and medical information we currently hold for each of your children attending Northland School.

Please check this information carefully, amend where necessary and return the complete form for each child to the school office by the end of next week, Friday 17 March. We rely on up-to-date information in case we need to contact you for any reason. We also use this information for our emergency text messaging system.

Our school directory with family contact numbers is based on some of the contact information. With your permission we only include student and parent names, addresses and

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home phone numbers. We intend to have the directory printed and distributed towards the end of this term.

We offer parents the option to receive the weekly newsletter by email rather than through the family “postie”. About a third of families use this option. Please indicate on the contact form if you wish to receive the newsletter by email. There will still be some brochures and newsletters that will continue to come home via your children. The newsletter is always available to download from our website.

Road Safety

We encourage all our parents and caregivers to respect the road rules and to not park or stop on the various dotted yellow lines on Harbour View or Northland Roads. This includes the little slip road by the vehicle gates in Harbour View Road. Northland Road is particularly busy especially in the morning with a large number of buses using the road and increased traffic volumes. If at all possible do have your family get out of the left hand side of the car rather than exiting onto the busy road.

We also ask that parents do not use the no stopping space on either side of the road by the pedestrian crossing as a quick set down area. Our road patrollers need clear visibility before judging whether it is safe for our students to cross.

Thank you for ensuring that we all work together to make Northland a very safe place for all of us.

Jeremy Edwards – Principal

Emergency Water Tanks for Your Home – Order Now

Northland School is co ordinating orders for the supply of emergency water tanks for local residents. These are on sale for \$105 and you can pick them up from Northland School rather than go to a City Council depot. The last day for orders is Thursday 23 March with tanks available for pick up from the school on Friday 31 March. Further information is available from the home page on our school website.

School News

Parent Teacher Conferences and Goal Setting Meetings

Thursday 16 March and Wednesday 22 March

The first round of reporting to parents for all students will be on the afternoons and evenings of Thursday 16 March and Wednesday 22 March. These will be held between 3.15 and 5.00pm and between 6.00 – 7.45pm on both days. Please note the dates of the two way conferences – they are in different weeks. 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 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.

Booking A Time

You can book a time for the conference on-line. Go to www.schoolinterviews.co.nz – our school code is **zgz6k**- then follow the on-line instructions. 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. A couple of teachers are unavailable for particular times and these have been blocked out on the schedule.

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 is available from our school website. 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.

Northland School Netball Club

Register now to join a Northland School Netball Club team. Registration is open for Years 2 - 8 and all abilities are welcome. Years 4 - 8 play on Saturday mornings in Terms 2 and 3. Years 2-4 participate in the futureFERNs programme (a set programme of skills, drills and games) held in Term 2 and part of Term 3 and will receive a free netball after registration! This year the futureFERNs programme will take place in the Northland Community Centre on Thursdays 3.15-4pm.

This year we are offering pre-season training to Years 5 - 8 on Sunday mornings during March. For more information and to register, go to www.sporty.co.nz/northland. Registrations close on 24 March.

Former Silver Fern Sandra Edge Coming To Train You!

We are delighted to announce that Sandra Edge, former Silver Fern and current Assistant Coach for the PULSE netball team, will be running training sessions on Saturday 18 March at the Northland School netball/tennis court on Harbour View Road. Years 4-6: 9-9.45am; Years 7 and 8: 9.45-10.30am. All students welcome to benefit from Sandra's 30 years of coaching experience - you don't even have to want to play netball. In case of bad weather on the day, check www.sporty.co.nz/northland for the cancellation notice.

Pizza Thursday in April

There will be **no** Pizza Thursday in March as arrangements for ordering and delivery of pizzas have still to be finalised. Usually Pizza Thursdays are held on the first Thursday of each month. It is hoped to be able to offer this lunch option in April.

Before School Care – Now Available from 7.30am

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 8.35am. 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.

Yummy Apple Stickers

Northland School is in the swing of collecting “Yummy Apple” stickers for 2017. Not only are we eating healthy apples but it allows Northland School at the end of the year to purchase sports equipment determined on the number of stickers collected.

Quality of the Week – Obedience

The purpose of obedience is to guide and protect you. You need to think for yourself, and to feel sure that when you are obeying someone, even in your own family, that doing so is for your own good and will not hurt others. When you are obedient, you abide by the rules, even if you don't like them, or it takes a lot of self-discipline to do so. You obey the rules even when no one is watching. To be obedient is to be trustworthy.

Term Dates for 2017

Term 1	Wednesday 1 February – Thursday 13 April
Term 2:	Monday 1 May – Friday 7 July
Term 3:	Monday 24 July – Friday 29 September
Term 4:	Monday 16 October – Friday 15 December

Diary Dates for 2017

Term 1

14 March, Tuesday	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Capital E – Team 1• Year 3 Sports Festival
16 March, Thursday	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Parent Teacher Conferences and Goal Setting
21 March, Tuesday	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Board of Trustees Meeting, 7pm
22 March, Wednesday	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Parent Teacher Conferences and Goal Setting
4 April, Tuesday	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Western Zone Football
7 April, Friday	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Team 1 Assembly, 2.30pm
11 April, Tuesday	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Board of Trustees Meeting, 7pm
13 April, Thursday	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 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.

Sushi Lunches - Every Tuesday

"Sushi Lunches" provide a sushi delivery service every Tuesday - order for your child's sushi via www.wrapitup.co.nz. Orders are received up until 9.00am on Tuesday morning.

Subway Lunches Friday - Luncheonline

A great healthy lunch option – order online and delivered to school each Friday check out www.luncheonline.co.nz

Karori Junior Hockey

Providing kids from school Year 1-8 with the opportunity to play hockey with other kids from the local community. Registrations open 1 March and player registrations close Wednesday 15 March. Check out our website www.kjhc.org.nz for more information.

Harbour City Junior Hockey

Registrations are now open for the 2017 season! We are an established club with players from across Wellington, giving boys and the girls the chance to play hockey in a fun and friendly environment. In 2017 we will have multiple teams for players from Year 3 – 8 and the 'Funsticks' programme for Year 1-2. New players are always welcome! Register on-line at www.hcjh.org.nz. For more information e-mail harbourcityjh@gmail.com or ring 0212 763 222.

Guitar lessons!

Fun, friendly, personally tailored lessons in home, 9 years experience - references available. Phone or e-mail John on 027 459 4093 johnconly@gmail.com

Brooklyn Kindergarten Food Festival

Sunday 12 March 4:00-6:00pm at St. Bernard's School, 40 Taft Street, Brooklyn. There will be numerous selection of food from different parts of the world, Asia, Europe and Middle Eastern delicacies to name a few. Come along and taste the food of the world. Cash only please.

Get Out in Otari-Wilton's Bush and Have Fun with Your Family!

Saturday 11 March, *Everyone Out in Otari* is an adventure treasure hunt where you will need to work together to complete activities and navigate to secret points hidden throughout Otari-Wilton's Bush. You'll probably get wet, will definitely get dirty, are likely to learn something new and you'll absolutely have fun.

So what are you waiting for! Enter your family team now! Tickets can be purchased from Eventfinda.

<http://www.eventfinda.co.nz/2017/everyone-out-in-otari/wellington>

Check us out on Facebook - <https://www.facebook.com/everyoneout/>

Attend the Life Flight Open Day on 19 March!

Life Flight is opening their hangar doors for their annual Open Day on Sunday 19 March! Held at their Air Rescue Centre near the Lyall Bay Warehouse, it's an exciting day of emergency service demonstrations, delicious food and entertainment for the entire family. Entry by donation to Life Flight Trust. We hope to see you there! Find out more at www.lifeflight.org.nz/openday

Worser Bay Beach Carnival

On Sunday 19 March from 10am to 2pm there is a Beach Carnival being held at Worser Bay. The carnival is a fundraiser for 'Boat & Beach Wise' which includes a new water safety programme for Wellington Schools. Take your togs and towel and have a go at sailing or go for a ride in a surf rescue boat. Or maybe you would like to take the 'grind off challenge' against Rio 2016 Olympian and Team New Zealand sailor Josh Junior. There will be loads of food, games and activities including:

Tug of war, Sink the ship catapult, The sailor's treasure chest, Monkeys Feet fishing for marbles, Special Worser Bay relay races, Face painting, A simulated sea rescue, Big Dig, Jolly Lolly scramble and much, much more.

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Pride Lands Fun Holiday Adventures

April Holidays at Otari School and Berhampore School

Dates: 17 – 28 April from 7.00am-7pm daily.

Fees: Daily \$80/cub per session or \$147 for two or more siblings per session; Weekly: \$237 per cub/week or \$447 for two or more siblings/week. Discounts Available: Wild Card (15%). Interactive Activities and Morning Tea, Lunch and Afternoon Tea provided.

One-on-One Care: Provide for cubs if needed for extra support.

Shuttle Services Available. Please contact us: 0800 PRIDE 4 U Or Register online:

www.pridelands.org.nz

Code Camp April Holidays

When: April 18 – 21 and April 24 – 27. Venue, Samuel Marsden School, Karori. Code Camp allows boys and girls from the ages of 7-17 to develop 21st century skills in a fun and action packed environment. Develop confidence and initiative through design, creativity, solving problems and collaboration. Create games, apps and work with robots and electronic building blocks. Book Now at www.codecamp.co.nz/holiday-codecamp.