



**Northland  
School**

Te Kura o Orangi Kaupapa

# Newsletter

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## Building Project Update 2 – March 2017

Northland School Board and staff representatives have been meeting weekly with our architects (Mckenzie Higham) and our Ministry of Education project manager to develop a master plan for our new building. This master plan will be presented to a Ministry of Education design and review panel in late April. The approval by the panel is a significant milestone for the project as it will then allow the project to move into further design development.

The master plan is a refresh of one developed several years ago and has the new building located at the northern part of the school grounds. It would start near the pedestrian gate on Harbour View Road and extend along the fence line to the edge of the main court area.

It is a large building as it contains the equivalent of 10 classroom spaces, a library (the same size as our current library) and a multi-purpose space that is twice the size of the Viggers Centre. It is a stepped two storey building rising in one part to three storeys.

The location of the building allows us to continue to use the current two-storey building while construction is underway. The old building will subsequently be demolished. This space will then become our focal point for our playground development.

An outline of the master plan is available on our website – [www.northland.school.nz](http://www.northland.school.nz) and click on the Building tab.

***Northland School Board of Trustees***

### **Emergency Water Tanks for Your Home – Collecting Orders**

If you ordered an emergency water storage tank please collect your tank(s) this Friday, 31 March between 1.30 and 6.00pm from the library. We received orders for 41 tanks. Northland will certainly be well-prepared.

## **School News**

### **Health Alert – Stomach Bug**

There is a nasty stomach bug doing the rounds at the moment with whole families, including the parents, being affected over a week or longer. The vomiting aspect can be over quite quickly but the diarrhea can last for several days. We do ask that children do not return to school for at least 24 hours after the last episode of diarrhea.

### **Emergency Contact and Medical Details – 50 families still to return forms**

Thank you to the 150 families who have already returned the emergency contact and medical details forms. Our close-off date for family inclusion in our school directory is Wednesday 5 April. This will allow us time to organise, print and distribute the directory before the end of term.

### **Team 1 Assembly – Friday 7 April**

Team One children and teachers invite parents, caregivers and family to the Team One Assembly to be held on Friday 7 April at 2.30pm in the Viggers Centre. We look forward to seeing you there.

### **Home and School Committee**

Northland School offers extra activities for the children and their families/whānau through the Home and School Committee, and undertakes some fundraising. The Committee's first meeting for 2017 will be held on Wednesday 5 April at 7.30pm in the staffroom. Come and join us to find out more about what we do, and how you could get involved.

### **Contractors Working in Harbour View Road**

Families that use Harbour View Road are advised that contractors will be laying fibre optic cable underground in this area over the next few weeks. Footpaths and the road will be narrower while this work is underway and extra care is required by drivers and pedestrians.

### **Celebrating Student Success**

Two Northland School Students had great success at the recent Wellington Junior Athletics Champs which included athletes from the Kapiti and Wairapapa regions.

Competing in the girls 10 grade for Wellington Scottish Athletics Club won gold in the 800m in 2m.45s and silver in the 1500m in 5m.39s both new PBs. She also placed 5th in the 400m.

Competing in the girls 8 grade for Karori Junior Athletics Club, won two gold medals in the 60m and 100m, and a silver medal in the 200m. Her times were 9.66, 15.51 and 33.73 seconds respectively and were all PBs.

### **Pizza Thursday – Orders**

The next Pizza Thursday, organised by our Home and School Committee, is on 6 April. Order forms are available from the school office and the school website. Orders need to be with the school office by 3pm Wednesday 5 April. Please note that we are unable to accept late orders. Please note price change - now **\$5.50** per pizza.

## Found Property

We have mountains of found jackets, sweatshirts, drink bottles and lunchboxes in the three lost property boxes at the top of the stairs by the library, in the Room 1 cloakroom and at the back of Room 10. Unnamed clothing is donated to an op shop at the end of term.

## Entertainment Books 2017/2018

The new Entertainment Books are due for release early in term 2, you can get early bird offers by going to <http://www.entbook.co.nz/104d215>

## 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 – Determination

Determination is focusing your energy and efforts on a task and then sticking with it until it is finished. Determination is using your willpower to do something when it isn't easy. You are determined to meet your goals. Even when it is really hard, or you are being tested, you still keep going.

## 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

4 April, Tuesday	• Western Zone Football
5 April, Wednesday	• Home and School Committee, 7.30pm
6 April, Thursday	• Pizza Thursday
7 April, Friday	• Team 1 Assembly, 2.30pm
11 April, Tuesday	• Board of Trustees Meeting, 5.00pm
13 April, Thursday	• 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.*

### **Found: Resistance Training Bands**

Several resistance training bands were left in the school playground last week. These may be claimed from the school office.

### **Aro Valley Barn Dance**

Saturday 1 April, 7.30pm, Aro Valley Community Council

Come on out for a good old fashioned square dance hosted by your local Appalachian string band Cotton Daisy Backstep. Meet your friends at the Hall and enjoy the fine music and super happy atmosphere. Be assured for sure there will be more fun that your grandma can remember! Practice your hog, chicken or husband calling for the half time contest. Bring snacks to share at half time. Adults \$15 School age \$5

### **The Great Zealandia Easter Egg Hunt**

14 April–17 April, Zealandia Ecosanctuary Wellington

Join us for the third annual Great ZEALANDIA Easter Egg Hunt – this year kids go free!

Pick up a special easter map and join the hunt for a series of 'eggs'. Return your map for a free easter egg and go in the draw to win some cool prizes!

How it works: Each hunter will be given a special map where they will have to record some educational clues they find hidden in the sanctuary. Bring back your map for a free egg and go in the draw for a daily prize pack including a kiwi toy, chocolate, and family membership to ZEALANDIA! Hunt suitable for 5–13 year olds, but everyone is welcome to take part.

Entry: Kids go free! General admission rates apply to anyone over 18.

### **Dance Classes For All Ages**

Enrolments/enquiries now open for next Term. Term 2 starts Monday 1 May.

Contact Carolyn: 389-4944 or [cajon@paradise.net.nz](mailto:cajon@paradise.net.nz)

### **Babysitting and More**

Hi, my name is Sophie Rolfe I'm 14 and an ex Northland School student. I am currently a Year 11 at Wellington Girls College and I'm able to babysit for you or do any odd jobs you need doing (cleaning the car, sweeping the patio etc). I do have experience babysitting my own younger brother and have done an Introductory babysitting course run by Home Grown Kids, so if you need a babysitter or have a job for me please contact me on either my mobile (0220474143) or on my home phone (04-4759551). Thank you.

### **Wellington SPCA – Easter Egg Hunt**

We will be hiding things all over our property at 140 Alexandra Road Wellington for the kids to find and trade in for chocolate. Saturday 15 April from 12pm to 3pm.

Gold coin donation. Sausage Sizzle and hot and cold drinks available.

Wellington SPCA, 140 Alexandra Road, Newtown, Wellington, NZ

[www.northland.school.nz](http://www.northland.school.nz)

## **Rhythmic Gymnastics**

If your daughter loves to dance and is looking for something a little different to do in Term 2, come along to a Rhythmic Gymnastics class and give it a try! Email [info@rhythmicgym.nz](mailto:info@rhythmicgym.nz) to arrange a FREE trial and come in and give a go before we finish Term 1 on Saturday 8 April. Rhythmic Gymnastics is a mix of dance and gymnastics. It develops hand-eye co-ordination through the use of apparatus – rope, hoop, ball, clubs and ribbon.

We have classes available from Monday to Saturday, minimum numbers apply. Our classes are in Thorndon, just opposite the Botanic Gardens. For more information about Elements and our classes, visit [www.rhythmicgym.nz](http://www.rhythmicgym.nz)

## **Skylight - Bereavement Group**

The Bereavement Group supports children aged 6-12 years old who have lost a loved one (recently or in the past). The aims of the group are to:

- Help normalise the experience of losing a loved one for children
- Help children externalise and process feelings related to their experience of losing a loved one.
- Learn strategies to cope with strong feelings (for example, anger and worry)

Dates:

Wednesday 26 April - 9.30am- 12.30pm

Thursday 27 April - 9.30am- 12.30pm

Friday 28 April - 9.30am- 12.30pm

A pre-group interview is held with a parent or caregiver before the group starts. This aims to assess the suitability of the programme for the child/children and it will be held at the Skylight Wellington office before the children participate in the group. Please note that six children are needed for this group to go ahead.

Cost and Registration: Free – morning tea will be provided and Pizza Graduation lunch on the Friday.

To register email [sarah@skylight.org.nz](mailto:sarah@skylight.org.nz), or call 0800 299 100 for further information.

## **Metlink City Safari**

I now have 72 top secret spy briefcases in my workshop. It looks very suspicious.

On Sunday 14 May these will be placed all over greater Wellington. Starting from the parliament grounds, you will work with your team (your family, friends or workmates) to navigate to these spy briefcases, to unlock them, and to text the top secret code inside back to spy HQ. This will earn you points for both your team and your spy agency.

Registration is now open at [www.citysafari.org.nz](http://www.citysafari.org.nz)

## **Marrzipan Holiday Drama Programme**

It's almost time for our WELLINGTON HOLIDAY WORKSHOP with Kayla!

The Marrzipan Holiday Workshop runs from 10am-4pm Wednesday 19th to Friday 21st April at Thorndon Primary School. Students will devise their own play from scratch, create characters, direct each other, design the set, bring in costumes and get to perform to family and friends at the end of the final day!

Past workshops have been a great hit! As well as having fun, the children develop confidence and public speaking ability, in a fun, relaxed environment.

For more information check out our website! Spaces are limited to 16 per group so get in quick!

W: [www.marrzipan.com](http://www.marrzipan.com) E: [jex@marrzipandrama.co.nz](mailto:jex@marrzipandrama.co.nz)

### **Alliance Française Holiday Programme**

18 – 28 April, 9.00am – 3.00pm, \$45 per day for 5 – 10 year olds. For more details visit our website [www.french.co.nz/holiday-programme](http://www.french.co.nz/holiday-programme)

### **Pridelands Fun Holiday Adventures**

April Holidays at Otari School and Berhampore School

Dates: 17 – 28 April from 7.00am-7.00pm 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](http://www.pridelands.org.nz)

### **April Holiday Programme - Northland Kidz Club**

We'll be ice-skating, go-karting, swimming and playing mini-golf - going to Junglerama and Jumperama, Time Cinema for old-style movies, a kids theatre production and enjoying a performance by Nigel Kennedy, the magician. Join us for an adventure every day.

\$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)).

### **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](http://www.codecamp.co.nz/holiday-codecamp).

### **Capital Coaching Karori United Tennis Holiday Coaching Programme – April School Holidays**

We are pleased to confirm that we will be running holiday coaching programmes in the April school holidays at Karori United Tennis Club.

We are offering half day and full day options, which will hopefully help out all those working parents. The coaching programmes offer the benefit of a high volume of coaching hours, so there is an opportunity for big improvements made in a short time frame. Spot prizes, games and loads of fun in the sun!

To enrol or for more information please email us [capital.coaching.nz@gmail.com](mailto:capital.coaching.nz@gmail.com) or [www.capitalcoaching.co.nz](http://www.capitalcoaching.co.nz)

**Foundation Coaching** for 6-12 year olds, who don't yet play interclub (no previous tennis experience required) 9am-12.30pm (Mon – Fri price: \$175)

**Competitor Coaching** for 8-14 year old Interclub and Tournament Players (players younger than 8 will be considered on ability) 1.30-4.30pm (Mon – Fri price \$150)

**Easter Special - All Day Coaching Programme** targets all players, and is designed for the working parent. Drop off from 8.30am, with pick up by 4.15pm. (Mon – Fri price \$325)  
Day and half day sessions available from \$45.

### **YMCA Kaitoke Outdoor Education Centre**

Your kids will love the Y-Camp programmes at Kaitoke Outdoor Education Centre these school holidays. Kids between the ages of 7-9 will experience outdoor education in a safe and caring environment with activities like kayaking, shelter building and orienteering. 10-12 year olds will really enjoy the super fox, abseiling, kayaking and the giant swing. We guarantee that your kids will come away from our Y-Camps with an experience like no other. We also offer a voluntary tiered pricing system so you can choose a price to suit your family. Spaces are limited so register online today at [www.ymcawellington.org.nz](http://www.ymcawellington.org.nz)

### **Roller Disco Upper Hutt**

Pizza Roller Disco Sat 1 April 6.30 – 8.30 pm Entry \$7 Skate/blade hire \$3 Pizza slice \$2 4A Railway Av, Upper Hutt Phone 022 6824517

April School Holiday Roller Discos Mon – Fri both weeks 1.00 – 3.00 pm Entry \$7 Skate/blade hire \$3 4A Railway Av, Upper Hutt Phone 0226824517

Info [www.skatewellington.org.nz](http://www.skatewellington.org.nz) [skatewellington@yahoo.co.nz](mailto:skatewellington@yahoo.co.nz)

### **Quill it! Felt it!**

Make 3D cards and a bendy felted snake at Wadestown Community Centre, Thursday 20 April, 1:30 - 3:30pm. \$22 per child, all materials supplied. Please email [jann.freitas@jinglebugs.co.nz](mailto:jann.freitas@jinglebugs.co.nz) to book.

More details at [www.facebook.com/makeitactivities](https://www.facebook.com/makeitactivities)

### **Sushi Lunches - Every Tuesday**

"Sushi Lunches" provide a sushi delivery service every Tuesday - order for your child's sushi via [www.wrapitup.co.nz](http://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](http://www.luncheonline.co.nz)

### **Drama Club Holiday Programme**

Drama holiday programme held Wednesday 19 April - Friday 21 April and Wednesday 26 April till Friday 28 April from 9.00am (drop off anytime from 8.30am) till 12.30pm each day. The cost is \$24.00 per child per day. New topics each day so children can come to as many or as few days as they like. Limited spaces available. Enrol your child at [www.dramaclub.co.nz](http://www.dramaclub.co.nz), or email us at [admin@dramaclub.co.nz](mailto:admin@dramaclub.co.nz). Alternatively you can contact Bridie on 021 054 2593



## Afterschool Care Providers

### **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 \$18 for a full session, \$11 for a half session and \$19 for a casual 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 or Lisa (022-140-2612) 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)