



**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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School Closed – Wednesday 29 May

The primary teachers' union, NZEI Te Rui Roa, has advised the Northland School Board of Trustees that the principal and teachers at our school will be taking strike action on Wednesday 29 May. The Board has carefully considered the availability of teaching staff and has decided that we can't provide the normal teaching services during the strike. It is important that you make alternative arrangements for the care of your child/children on the day of the strike.

The school will need to close on Wednesday 29 May.

I know that this is inconvenient for parents and students alike, but please be assured that student safety is our main concern. Thank you for your understanding. Please contact me if you have any queries relating to this decision. My contact details are on the school website under "Our People".

Geoff Davenport – Chairperson, Northland School Board of Trustees

Board of Trustees Election 2019

Nominations close this Friday 24 May

Meet the Candidates Evening – Thursday 30 May

The School Board of Trustees Election for Northland School is set to take place in June. Nominations are being sought for the election of three parent representatives to the Board for a three-year term. Nominations close this Friday, 24 May. Information on the nomination and election process has been mailed to all families.

Julia Truesdale – Returning Officer

Building Information Meeting – Change of Time

The Building Information Evening planned for 29 May is now at the earlier time of 5.30pm rather than 7.00pm.



Our 2019 Northland School Student Council

The Principal Point

Board of Trustees Election

A reminder that nominations close midday this Friday for the next Northland School Board of Trustees election to be held in early June. Nominations have been slow to come in but this is not unusual for Northland! One year we had one nomination just the day before these closed but 24 hours later there were 12! Other years we have had just the right number so no election was necessary or there has been a pool of candidates for parents and caregivers to choose. You are able to nominate yourself!

Building Project Update

The recent spell of fine weather has meant that contractors are making expected progress on our building project. Most of the initial fortnight has been spent clearing and setting up the site but recent events has seen a very large hole start to appear as excavations continue with the forming the space for the lift well. Work has started on the building of the new entrance ramp by the pedestrian crossing on Northland Road. Once this has been finished and signed off by the city council the double gates off Harbour View Road will be closed to allow the extension of the building site into the top playground.

This weekend contractors will be removing six external cladding panels by the foyer to Rooms 5 and 6. This will allow them to install a new emergency exit onto the newly constructed staircase. In mid-June children and teachers from Rooms 4 and 5 will move into their new classroom spaces so that demolition can begin on their old rooms and old library space. The actual demolition will take place in the July holidays.

Next Wednesday, 29 May, a community information meeting will be held at 5.30pm in the old library space. Architects, project managers and representatives from Hawkins Construction will outline their plans for access to the driveway and how the cladding containing low grade asbestos will be removed. Parents and neighbours of Northland School are invited to the meeting. Our consultants will be available to answer questions.

With the reduction in the amount of playground space we have moved to a split morning tea. Teams 1 and 2 have their 20 minute break at 10.20am with Teams 3 and 4 starting their break at 10.40am. Lunch times have remained the same as we are able to use the tennis courts and Northland Park – this is a very popular option for our Year 3 – 8 students with over 100 taking advantage of the space on some days. We are also making a lot more sports gear available for use at these times. A new sandpit has been constructed and will be open to use once the removable cover is installed. Later in the term when we have to close off the top playground Team 1 students, with their duty teacher, will have access to the Tiger Turf by the carpark off Northland Road. We are also expect the new junior playground to be installed by mid-June.

Our thanks to all members of our learning community for their patience as we all adjust to new ways of getting into and out of the school and where we can play. We want to acknowledge and thank all those parents who now park further away from the school or encourage their children to walk or ride their scooters to school.

Jeremy Edwards - Principal

School News

School Photographs – Information Next Week 28 May

School photographs will now be taken on **Friday 7 June**. Information will be included with the weekly newsletter to be distributed on Tuesday 28 May.

Out of Zone Ballot for Year 1

At its May meeting the Board of Trustees decided to hold an out of zone enrolment ballot for children starting school in Terms 3 and 4 this year who live outside of our enrolment zone. Application forms are available from the office. The ballot closes at 4pm on Friday 7 June. Further information is available from the school office.

Western Zone Cross Country

We were both really impressed with all of the students who took part in the Western Zone Cross Country yesterday. You can be incredibly proud of your efforts and achievements. To those who placed in the first 10, congratulations on making through to the Inter Zone competition which will be held on Tuesday 18 June (postponement date of Thursday 20 June) at McAlister and Liardet Street Parks. Official results will be posted on the sports noticeboard as soon as they come to hand. There are some fabulous photos posted on the sports noticeboard.



Scenes from the Western Zone Cross Country

A huge thank you to all the parents who kindly volunteered their time to marshal at this event. We are unable to run this event without the assistance of volunteers and we are very grateful.
Angela Scholten and Katie McGrath

Northland School Sport Shirts

If you have a Northland School sports shirt please return it to the office, thank you.

Yummy Apple Stickers

Keep munching those apples – not only are they good for you they help the school with sporting equipment. Keep collecting; we have collection sheets in the school office.

College Open Days

We have been informed of the following open days for Year 8 students enrolling for 2020.

- Marsden College – Wednesday 29 May, 7.00pm
- Onslow College – Thursday 13 June, 5.00 – 7.30pm
- St Mary's College – Thursday 13 June, 9.30am
- St Patrick's College – Sunday 9 June, 1.30pm
- Wellington College - Saturday 22 June, 10.30am or Monday 24 June, 9.30am
- Wellington East Girls College – Thursday 13 June, 2.30pm or 6.00pm
- Wellington Girls College – Thursday 20 June, 9.15am or 11.00am
- Wellington High School – Monday 10 June, 6.00pm

Entertainment Books 2019

If you would like to purchase the book / digital version, payment can be made online
<https://www.entertainmentbook.co.nz/orderbooks/104d215>

Quality of the Week – Helpfulness

Helpfulness is being of service. It is doing useful things for people, such as things they cannot do for themselves, something they do not have time to do, or just little things that make life easier. It is important to be helpful to ourselves too, by taking care of our bodies. There are times when we need help from others. That is a good time to ask for help.

Toy Story 4 – Movie Afternoon

Mark Your Diaries Now

Keep 3.00pm free on Sunday 30 June for Toy Story 4 at the Penthouse!

The Home and School Committee has booked Toy Story 4 just three days after its release in New Zealand!

More details later in May.

Term Dates for 2019

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 2

21 May, Tuesday	Western Zone Cross Country
23 May, Thursday	Western Zone Cross Country – postponement day
27 May, Monday	Swimming classes commence, Team 3
28 May, Tuesday	Wellington Girls College principal meeting, 3.15pm
29 May, Wednesday	School closed – strike day Community Building Information Meeting, 5.30pm
30 May, Thursday	Board of Trustees Election, Meet the Candidates, 7.00pm

3 June, Monday	Queens Birthday – school closed
5 June, Wednesday	Official blessing of the building site, 10.00am tbc
7 June, Friday	School Photographs
11 June, Tuesday	Western Zone Hockey
18 June, Tuesday	Board of Trustees, 7.00pm
20 June, Thursday	Mid year reports available from midday
24 – 28 June	Book Week
24 June, Monday	Book Week Dress Up Day
25 June, Tuesday	Mid year interviews and conferences
27 June, Thursday	Mid year interviews and conferences
30 June, Sunday	Toy Story 4 – Movie Fundraiser
5 July, Friday	End of Term Community Assembly

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.

Northland Welcomes Zumba®Kids

Give your children the gift of fitness with Zumba®Kids this term. Zumba®Kids classes feature kid-friendly routines based on original Zumba® choreography in a non-competitive environment. We break down the steps, add games, activities and cultural exploration elements into the class structure. No exams, no performances, no pressure!

Classes are held every Friday in the Northland Memorial Community Centre, 5 Woburn Road. Classes are held during the school term and you are NOT locked in for the term. Come when you can make it!

3.30pm – 4.15pm	5 – 11 years olds
5 Trip concession	\$50
10 Trip concession card	\$80
Casual	\$12
First class only – gold coin donation	

To register your interest please email zumbawithannick@gmail.com or call Zumba® Instructor Annick on 021 462 042 for more info.

Predator Free Northland

Our environmental group is aiming to help our birds and get Northland predator free. We need new members to make this a reality. Traps are pet friendly so are safe in your garden if you have a cat or dog. Please get in touch with Predator Free Northland - starter kits are very reasonable. The email address is predatorfreenorthland@gmail.com

Thank you for supporting our native wildlife and making Predator Free NZ a reality for our kids.

Silent Auction for Northland Community Preschool - Sunday 26 May 3-5pm

The Southern Cross Garden Bar and Restaurant

Northland Community Preschool is fundraising for a new 'Treasure Chest' storage solution for our outdoor toys. It's a custom design and build specifically tailored to the preschool's needs. We will have Fingall Pollock and her amazing puppet show performing for the kids on the day, so parents can kick back and browse our amazing auction showcase.

Need a Netball Umpire?

Hi, my name is Tyler, I am an ex-Northland school student. I am in Year 9 at WGC and I completed the Kiwi Whistler Umpiring course and worked for Kelly Sports over summer. I am keen to umpire over the winter season this year, please contact me if you need an umpire. I am playing also at Hataitai courts so times may clash sometimes. Thank you, Tyler 021 088 66811.

German Fair

Saturday 25 May: Come enjoy some delicious German cakes and authentic foods (including Brezel, sausages, blackforest cakes) while shopping for fantastic second hand toys and clothes. All profit goes to funding the German Playgroup. Join us at the Presbyterian Church Hall, opposite New World in Khandallah from 9.30am – 1.00pm.

Book Fair Ngaio Town Hall

Book fair Ngaio Town Hall on Saturday 25 May, 9am to 4pm. All proceeds will go to Blue Dragon Children's Foundation, a charitable trust working with Vietnam's poorest children to break the poverty cycle. Cash and eftpos, please bring your own bags.

School Strike Day Wed 29 May, Football Programme Available

A day of football skills, challenges and tournaments - all lead by Karori FC club coaches. The programme will run rain or shine. If wet, indoor facilities nearby will be used to run a fun programme out of the elements.

When: Wednesday 29 May 2019 (1 day only)

Time: 8.30am - 3pm

Where: Terawhiti Turf / Karori Park

Cost: \$55

Who can attend: boys and girls from **5 - 13 years old**, of any footballing ability.

What to bring: Please bring a mid-morning snack, lunch, a water bottle, sunscreen, a rain jacket and lots of energy!

Please wear: Turf boots /running shoes and sports wear.

Register: by Monday 27 May 2019, at

<https://fs26.formsite.com/KaroriFootball/wosqgruroe/index.html>

School Lunches

Sushi Lunches - Tuesdays

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 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

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 \$19.50 for a full session, \$13 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