



**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



Scenes from the Western Zone Hockey tournament on Tuesday.

Students - mouthguards fitted, shin pads on, hockey sticks ready!

Parent helpers - puffer jackets zipped up, woolly hats pulled on, scarves wrapped round tightly! Northland School Hockey teams were all set for a day of fun competition. The wind was there, the cold was there, but thankfully the rain held off.

A huge thank you to all the parents who volunteered their time to assist with umpiring and supervision. Photos of the tournament are now posted on the sports noticeboard.

Our thanks to Angela Scholten, who was the tournament co-ordinator on behalf of the local schools, and Alice Trail who coached our students and umpired all day.

National Young Leaders Day

On May 22nd, 20 students from Team 4 went to Te Rauparaha Arena in Porirua, for National Young Leaders Day. NYLD is an opportunity for young people from the Wellington region to interact with inspirational role models. The day began with a whakatauki - “me whakāro rangatira” or “think like a leader”. There were seven speakers who have all made an impact on New Zealand.

The first speaker was Kelly Wilson, an author, photographer, horse trainer and horse saver. She travelled around the world saving wild horses from cruelty and slaughter. One of her messages was that to overcome challenges you should face them. She had an immense fear of heights but got over it by skydiving!

The second to speak was Lisa Tamati, an ultra-marathon runner who has represented New Zealand. She has used perseverance in many ways - “The more you have to fight for something the stronger you become.”

Third to talk, Jono Naylor, told how he was lazy and didn't try in school. He realised a couple of years later that “If you never fail, you're not trying hard enough”. He also spoke a lot about hope and how it empowers us. “When we instil hope in people, we convey to them how good tomorrow can be.

Riley Hathaway, the fourth speaker, inspired us to help clean up Aotearoa. She was the mastermind behind TV show *Young Ocean Explorers*. She once feared the ocean and sharks, but when she went to swim with sharks at the Kermadec Islands she began to love them. This is another display of Kelly Wilson's technique of facing your fears and overcoming them. After that she found a passion to save our oceans from deadly plastic. Northland School can help with this dream by participating in the Whānau Clean Up Competition. This is where a school or community goes to a public place and helps to clean up the area of rubbish. We would really like it if Northland did this, perhaps at Ian Galloway Park.

You can visit the Young Ocean Explorers website at www.youngoceanexplorers.com

By Senior Students, Northland School

School News

Northland School Cross Country – Next Week

On Tuesday 29 May Northland School will be holding their cross country at Ian Galloway Park. We are very excited this year as the whole school will be attending this event with all Year levels taking part from New Entrants to Year 8. Maps of the different courses have been made available to the students and are also posted on the sports noticeboard near the library.

The school will be having an early lunch that day and will be walking to Ian Galloway Park at 12 noon. Year 7 and 8 students will be joining the school after their Technology classes at Karori West Normal School.

Approximate start times are:

12.30pm: Team 1 (Year 1 and 2)

1.00pm: Team 2 (Year 3 and 4)

1.30pm: Team 3 (Year 5 and 6)

2.00pm: Team 4 (Year 7 and 8)

After the completion of the Team 1 races all Year 1 and 2 students have been invited to Cardinal McKeefry School. If parents of Team 1 children wish to take their child home directly after the run please sign out with their classroom teacher. All other students who go with their parents are to sign out with Angela Scholten. We look forward to fine weather and no wind!

Angela Scholten – Lead Teacher PE and Sports

Future Enrolments

If you have pre-schoolers who will be attending Northland School in the next two years please contact the school to check that we have this information. If you know of other families with young children who live locally and who will be attending Northland School please ask them to check too.

ICAS English/Maths

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.

Out of Zone Ballot – Terms 3 and 4 2018

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.

Queen's Birthday – School Closed

Northland School will be closed on Monday 4 June for Queen's Birthday. The school will re-open on Tuesday 5 June.

Kapa Haka Visit – Year 3 and 4

Tēnā koutou katoa, our Year 3 and 4 Kapa Haka group will be performing at Childspace on Albemarle Road on **Friday 25 May** at approximately 2.15pm. We will be leaving from the Viggers Centre at approximately 2.00pm and would love some parents or caregivers to walk with us. If you are able to help, please email me on katiem@northland.school.nz



School Disco – This Friday 25 May

To finish off the very successful Bake4Tonga event we will be having a Tropical Themed Disco next Friday, 25 May. Entry is by a gold coin on the night.

- Years 1 – 4: 5.00 to 7.00pm – all students require an adult in attendance for the 2 hours
- Year 5 – 8: 7.00 to 9.00pm - all students will require permission slips with details of adults picking them up at the end of the night. Permission slips are available from the school website, from the school office and at the door on the night of the disco. At the Year 5 – 8 disco there will be a Gaming Room. Enjoy

games with your friends, bring along a board game, cards etc. Please no trading on the night!

Food at the Disco

We will be serving dinner options at the Junior Disco (burgers and sausages) and the Senior Disco (burgers and sausages plus, at 8.00pm, pizza by the slice will be available), so no need to cook this Friday!

For the Seniors there will be other special treats and lots of fun things to do.

Parent help

We are looking for parents to help set up after school for around an hour or attend the Junior disco or Senior disco helping to serve food, or help with the clean-up at the end. Please contact Lizzie (lizziemasseurs@gmail.com) if you can help.

Information for Parents and Guardians

The Home and School Committee hosts the disco but you are responsible for your child/ren. Parent volunteers are there to serve food and drink but are not there to care for children so please attend if possible (all junior disco children must have a carer at the disco).

Entertainment Books 2018/2019

The new Entertainment book has been launched and books distributed to families. If you do not want to purchase the book please return it to the school office asap - there is a dropbox 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>

College Open Days

Onslow College – Wednesday 13 June, 5.00 – 7.30pm

Queen Margaret College – Sunday 27 May, 10.00am – 1.00pm

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

Before School Care

Northland School operates a Before School Care programme in our library each day. The programme is available from 7.30 until 8.35am. Rebecca Amos is the supervisor. 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 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!

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.

Diary Dates for 2018

25 May, Friday	School Disco, 5.00pm (Teams 1 & 2), 7.00pm (Teams 3 & 4)
29 May, Tuesday	Cross Country, 1.00pm Ian Galloway Park
4 June, Monday	Queen's Birthday – school closed
7 June, Thursday	Pizza Thursday
8 June, Friday	Morning Tea for parents new to Northland School, 9.00am Out of Zone Ballot closes 4pm
11 June, Monday	Swimming begins, Team 2
12 June, Tuesday	Western Zone Cross Country
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
21 June, Thursday	Mid year reports available from midday 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 1:	Wednesday 7 February – Friday 13 April
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.

Chess Coaching After School

Chess coaching with former NZ Chess Champion. Wednesday in the Northland School Library 3:15 to 4:15pm. Each week until 4 July (last week of Term 2). The cost is \$90 per term. To enrol please contact Scott, email kiwichess@xtra.co.nz or 021 155 7403

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

Predator Free Northland

There was a recent article in the Dom Post that Wellington's rat numbers are rising. Rats spread disease and they kill our birds... EVERY backyard will have a rat living in or passing through it! We are aiming to get Northland predator free and 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 only \$10! The email address is predatorfreenorthland@gmail.com

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

Skyline Ski Club

Are you a skiing/boarding family who visits Mt Ruaphau regularly, or are keen to do so more often? Skyline Ski Club is looking for a some additional members. Skyline is a small, relaxed, family orientated club located above the Top of the Bruce Road on the Whakapapa side, with possibly the best views in the Village!

Unlike some of the larger clubs there are no set meal times, or rostered duties. It is a like having your own bach on the mountain. Although you get to increase the fun by sharing it with other like-minded people. Discounted rates for families, and under 8s are free.

If you are interested and would like more details contact John Cuthbert johnddcuthbert@gmail.com;
Website <http://skiskyline.weebly.com/> or Skyline Ski Club on Facebook.

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.

Observation of a 5 Year Old or Younger

My name is DeAnna Harper. I am a student majoring in Women and Gender Studies and minoring in Medicine, Health, and Society from America. This trimester I am studying at Victoria University and one of my courses is "Understanding Young Children". For my final assignment in this course, I need to observe a child between the ages of birth to 5 years of age for a period of about twenty minutes. If you would be willing to help me out, please email me at deanna.harper@vanderbilt.edu. Thank you so much!

Montessori at Otari Preschool and Playgroup

Warmly invite interested families to our next Open Day this Saturday 26 May, 10am–12 noon, at the Preschool (166 Wilton Road). For more information phone 475 9688 or email wcmp@xtra.co.nz. We look forward to seeing you there.

Babysitter

Hello my name is Hannah Scholten and I am in Year 11 at Wellington Girls College. If you need a trustworthy and very experienced babysitter I am available to help. I'm also available for pet feeding and have experience with this also. If you are interested please feel free to contact me on 0221825214 so we can get in touch!

The Karori Toy Library Sale

We are bursting at the seams - so we need to sell some toys to make way for new toys!
Come along, grab a bargain and some homemade baking, and support your local Toy Library.
Toys from \$1 each, great competitions, and a fun festival atmosphere!
We look forward to seeing you there :)
Saturday the 26 of May, from 10am till 2pm at the Karori Recreation Centre.
The event can be found on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/events/1659935207395519/>

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

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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