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Te Kura o Orangi Kaupapa

Newsletter

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Book Fair – 31 May – 2 June

We are holding a Book Fair this week from Wednesday - Friday and we will have a selection of books from Scholastic available for sale. Children will have an opportunity to view books and may bring home a wishlist. By supporting this Book Fair, the school library will benefit by receiving 30% commission on the total book sales. If you would like to purchase books we will be taking orders for books and they will be delivered as soon as possible after the Book Fair concludes.

Please come and visit the book fair in the library during the following hours to browse and place orders:

Wednesday 31 May	3.00 – 4.00pm
Thursday 1 June	8.30 - 9.00am and 3.00 – 4.00pm
Friday 2 June	8.30 – 9.00am and 3.00 – 4.00pm

We would also like to encourage families to make a book donation to our school library, particularly families with students in Year 8. This would be a great way to ensure our library continues to be the hub of our school and a much used asset.

Lizzie Ryan and Rachele Samaniego – Library Team

The Principal Point

Reporting to Parents

Earlier this term we informed you of the changes we were making to the way we report to parents on the progress of their children in Years 1 and 2. We feel that this will give you more timely information about your children. We now report to parents on the anniversary of when the child started school. These will be at:

- 20 weeks (six months at school) – a written report followed up with a parent teacher interview later that same term.
- 40 weeks (one year) – a written summary report for the first year at school plus an interview later that same term.
- 60 weeks (18 months) - a written report followed up with a parent teacher interview later that same term.

- 80 weeks (two years) – a written summary report for the second year at school plus an interview later that same term.
- 100 weeks (30 months) - a written report on your child's progress towards meeting National Standards in Reading, Writing and Mathematics at the end of 120 weeks (three years) of schooling. This report will be followed up with a parent teacher interview later that same term. Not all students will receive this report as those who are in Year 3 when their 100 week anniversary occurs will be part of the Year 3 – 8 reporting cycle.

As we transition to our new reporting system parents with children who had anniversaries in Term 1 this year will shortly receive a letter from the class teacher outlining their children's progress towards meeting National Standards.

All reports will be made available through our parent portal accessible from the school website www.northland.school.nz. We will email you to let you know when these are available for you to read and download.

Our six monthly reporting system for children in Years 3 – 8 remains the same. Reports for children in these years will be available through our parent portal from midday on Wednesday 21 June with three way conferences for children in Years 4 – 8 planned for Thursday 29 June and Tuesday 4 July. The more traditional parent teacher interviews for Year 3 students will be held at the same time.

Disco Success

Our thanks to the Home and School Committee for hosting last week's school disco. It was a great success and enjoyed by the many children who danced and ate their way through the evening! There is a new group of parents on the Home and School Committee and they worked tirelessly to make this evening happen.

Our thanks to the parents who helped provide us with a BBQ solution when our old one decided to catch fire right at the busy time! A zap with the fire extinguisher quickly dealt to the issue but we were left with lots of uncooked sausages and many hungry children. Within 20 minutes we had two other BBQs on site cooking many sausages much to the relief of all! Perhaps the fundraising efforts may go towards a new school BBQ.

Our thanks also to the many parents who helped in some capacity at the junior or senior disco or both. There are many people who are not able to commit to the Home and School Committee but are happy to help out on specific occasions. There were well over 30 parents involved in one way or the other. Thank you.

We are looking forward to the next Home and School events – a quiz night later in the term and family portraits through Inspire Photography in late July.

Jeremy Edwards
Principal

School News

Queen's Birthday

Northland School is closed on Monday for Queen's Birthday.

ICAS Maths and English

Letters have been distributed to some families with students in Years 4 – 8 regarding this year's ICAS Maths and English. 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 Writing, English and Mathematics competitions. These competitions are open to everyone but they are very challenging. If you would like your child to take part in the English and/or Maths Competitions but did not receive a letter please contact the school office. Entries for the ICAS Maths and English close on Wednesday 14 June, thank you.

Jane Batchelor – Associate Principal

Northland School Swimming Sports

Our school swimming sports (Years 3 - 8) will be held on Tuesday 6 June at Karori Pool from 9.30am – 12.00pm. All parents are welcome to encourage and cheer on their children (an admission fee may be charged).

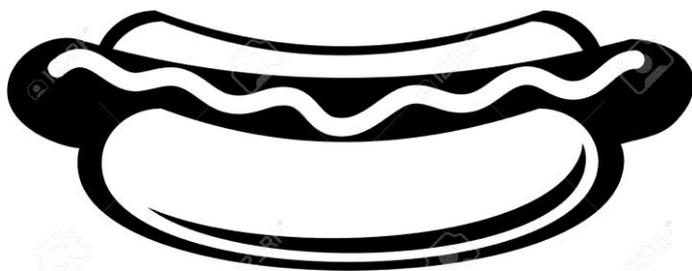
An approximate timetable of events is:

- 9.30am: 25m freestyle – heats and finals
- 10.00am: 25m backstroke – heats and finals
- 10.30am: 25m breaststroke – heats and finals
- 10.50am: 25 butterfly – finals
- 11.00am: 50m freestyle
- 11.30am: one width: freestyle and backstroke

Angela Scholten – Lead Teacher PE and Health

Out of Zone Enrolment Ballot for Terms 3 and 4

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 Year 1, Year 2, Year 5 and Year 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 9 June. Further information and application forms are available from the school office.



Student Council Sausage Sizzle

On the Wednesday, 14 June, the Student Council will be having a sausage sizzle to raise funds for the Wellington Free Ambulance. All Sausages are \$2.50 and onions, sauce and mustard are free. Vegetarian and gluten free sausages are

available. Order forms are with this week's newsletter and are also available from the school website and the school office. Orders need to be returned by Wednesday 7 June.

Student Councillors

Western Zone Cross Country – Helpers Required

If you are able to assist with recording our runners as they come past the finish line or assisting as a place judge (keeping students in place order as they cross the line) please contact Angela Scholten on angelas@northland.school.nz, thank you.

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 by the number of stickers collected.

College Open Days

- Wellington High School, Monday 12 June, 6.00pm
- Onslow College, Thursday 15 June, 5.00pm
- Wellington Girls College, Friday 16 June, 9.00am
- Wellington College, Saturday 24 June – 10.30am and Monday 26 June – 9.30am

Quality of the Week – Self-discipline

Self-discipline means self control. It is getting yourself to do what you really want to do, rather than being tossed around by your feelings like a leaf in the wind. You don't lose control of yourself when you feel hurt or angry, but decide how you are going to talk and what you are going to do. With self-discipline, you take charge of yourself.

Term Dates for 2017

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

31 May – 2 June	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Book Fair
1 June, Thursday	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Pizza Thursday
5 June, Monday	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Queen's Birthday – school closed
6 June, Tuesday	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Swimming Sports – Years 3 – 8• Wgtn Girls College principal visiting
12 June, Monday	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Team 3 swimming programme begins
13 June, Tuesday	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• ICAS Writing• Western Zone Cross Country• Board of Trustees Meeting, 7pm
14 June, Wednesday	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Student Council Sausage Sizzle
21 June, Wednesday	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Mid Year reports for Years 3- 8 available, midday
23 June, Friday	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Team 1 Assembly, 2.30pm, Viggers Centre
26 – 30 June	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Matariki Week
28 June, Wednesday	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Western Zone Hockey
29 June, Thursday	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Parent and Teacher Conferences• Wgtn Orchestra Festival
30 June, Friday	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Matariki Festivities – Dawn Service, Shared Breakfast, Kapa Haka performance
4 July, Tuesday	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Parent and Teacher Conferences• Regional Cross Country
5 July, Wednesday	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Student Council Class Colour Day
7 July, Friday	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Community Assembly, 9.30am• School closes, 3.00pm

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.

Have You Lost a Guinea Pig?

We have found a dark brown guinea pig in Pembroke Road. It is dark brown with a white patch on its nose. Please contact Jo on 475-8454 or 02102204147.

Guitar Lessons at the School Library

My name is Aabir and I'm a guitarist with a Master's degree from the New Zealand School of Music. I take guitar lessons in the school library on Mondays from 3pm to 6pm, Tuesdays from 4:30pm to 6pm and Wednesdays from 4:30pm to 6pm. This is a wonderful opportunity to start (or continue) learning the guitar. If you would like more information please get in touch. Email: aabir.maz@gmail.com Ph: 027 267 1634

Movie Fundraiser

Beat the mid-week blues and support a great cause! Come along to the Penthouse Cinema on 5 July at 8pm to watch the new release, *This Beautiful Fantastic* (out 22nd June). I'm an ex-Northland School student fundraising for my Outward Bound classic course in December. Tickets are just \$20 which includes movie entry and a chance to win a spot prize of cinema vouchers! For more details or to purchase tickets email madeleine.cranko@gmail.com or jimtither@gmail.com, or text 022 398 7071.

Marrzipan Drama

Good news! It's not too late to join Marrzipan! Marrzipan is a revolutionary self-confidence programme aimed at bringing out the absolute best in students. We are looking for some awesome students to fill some parts in our play, which we will perform for parents and their peers at the end of term. Come along to a no-obligation Trial Lesson and see whether you like it! You can sign up for one directly via our website www.marrzipan.com Phone 027 217 0693 jex@marrzipandrama.co.nz www.marrzipan.com

Wellington Youth Theatre - July 11-14 Holiday Camp

If your child enjoys acting, performing, dressing up and being creative, or would like to grow in confidence and improve their communication skills, WYT holiday camp productions offer that opportunity. Students audition, rehearse and perform a fully costumed play in only 4 days! Every student gets a role with dialogue and has a fabulous costume.

Join WYT this July and perform in... "A Case To Answer"!

"A Case to Answer" is a fantasy adventure about Romas, a very spoilt boy who usually gets what he wants. But this time Romus gets more than he bargained for when he steals a toy soldier and ends up in TOY COURT! Can mice, Minty and Monty, unravel the spell to help Soldier's friends Indian, Ballerina, Robot, Rag Doll and Clown rescue Soldier? What will happen when they meet TC, BC and AKA, 3 notorious cats? Will Tick and Tock, judge and defense council, stop arguing long enough to come to a decision about Romus's fate?

Ages: 7 to 13 years

Venue: Whitireia Performance Centre, 25 Vivien Street, Wellington City

Hours: Open 8am-4pm; Programme operates 9am-3pm; performance Friday 2pm

Fees: \$285 (Includes script, rights, costumes, make-up and certificate)

Register: www.actingantics.com

Enquiries: admin@actingantics.com - 021 1832508

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. When: Saturday 24 June, 9am – 4pm

For more information go to: www.blendedfamilysuccess.nz/events email:

adele@stepfamilyhelp.info Or phone/txt: 021 404 742

Steam Cleaner Wanted

Inquiring concerning the availability of a hand held steam cleaner. If anyone has one that they are willing to lend please contact Angela Scholten on angelas@northland.school.nz

The Wellington Marathon

Is on Sunday 18 June and includes a Kids Magic Mile with major spot prizes from Mizuno and Thermatech, girls and boys mountain bikes, plus family travel on Bluebridge.

For those running the full/half marathon/10k/5k then join Team Heart Racer and help raise vital funds for the Heart Foundation. Every Heart Racer receives a Heart Racer dry-fit running tshirt, regular newsletter with training /nutrition /fundraising advice, an online fundraising page, plus a FitBit Surge for those who raise over \$750.

everydayhero.co.nz/event/wellington-marathon-2017

Babysitting

Hi my name is William Scholten. I'm 16 years old and attend Wellington Boys College in Year 12. I am seeking work looking after children/baby sitting on weekends.

If you would like to contact me my phone number is 022 1753061.

I am also able to do other jobs as well such as trimming hedges, mowing the lawns etc. I look forward to hearing from you.

Is Your Daughter Looking for Something a Little Different?

We still have spaces available in our recreational rhythmic gymnastics classes this term. Come along and try out our new badge programme. Your daughter will work through Levels 1 to 10 over time. We have classes available from Monday to Saturday, minimum numbers apply. Our classes are in Thorndon, just opposite the Botanic Gardens.

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 are the only rhythmic gymnastics club in the Wellington region.

If your daughter loves to dance and is looking for something a little different, then come along to a class and give it a try! Email info@rhythmicgym.nz to arrange a FREE trial.

For more information about Elements and our classes, visit www.rhythmicgym.nz

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 - Lunchonline

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

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 (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 or Lisa (022-140-2612) or e-mail us on nkc.jan@gmail.com Check out our website: www.nkc.org.nz