



**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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We are starting to downsize our library in preparation for its move to a new temporary home for the start of 2019. With the building project likely to commence late in the first term next year the library has to move as that side of the current two storey building will be demolished to enable construction to begin.

The library will be rehoused in Room 15 but the space will also have to be shared as a staffroom. Currently we have over 8000 books in our library. We have withdrawn over 3500 books that have either not been issued over the last three years or are non-fiction and very out of date. The staff library is also facing a major reduction as many titles are now available as a download or are again very out of date. This includes items such as cassettes or even floppy disks that are just not used any more. We are being very ruthless and teachers, being natural hoarders, are finding it very hard to let go of some things!

Our library is a very important part of our school and much used by all of our students. With just under 350 students at the school on average we have over 1200 books on loan at any one

time. We are looking forward to a new library being ready in 2020 that will be just as big as our current library and will be home to many, many new books.

Teachers Strike Action – Friday 16 November – School Closed

Teachers who are members of NZEI (the teachers' union) will be taking industrial action on Friday 16 November. The school will not be able to provide any teaching or supervision arrangements for your children as all teaching staff are members of the NZEI. Families will need to make alternative arrangements for that day.

The Principal Point

This Thursday we farewell Vicky Balfour as Room 11's teacher as she commences her maternity leave. We wish Vicky and Ross all the best as they start this next stage of their life journey. As one staff member leaves another returns. We welcome Emma McElrea to Room 11 and back to Northland School. Emma took a year's leave this year to discover the world and has recently arrived home keen to get back to work and to Northland School.

At this time of the year schools are busy appointing staff for the new year and we had completed this process by the end of October. We have made a number of appointments to replace staff who are taking leave or moving to other parts of the country. We will be making these announcements later in the month.

There is a great deal in the media at the moment about the looming teacher shortage and for some schools this is a very real issue. Up until about two years ago we would average about 100 applicants for positions advertised at this time of the year. Last year this dropped to about 60 so we were very pleased to receive nearly 70 applications from teachers ranging from those starting at the very beginning of their teaching career to those with 30 plus years experience. Applications were received from many parts of New Zealand and overseas (returning teachers and those looking to move here) as well as those living within the Wellington area. There were specific skills that we were looking for and the appointments process was very thorough. My thanks to Gillian Blythe, representing the Board of Trustees, and Hannah Fairbairn and Jane Batchelor (our associate principals) for their wise words and counsel.

Jeremy Edwards - Principal

School News

Ice Cream Day – last day for orders

Orders close on Thursday 15 November for the Student Council ice cream day on Thursday 22 November. We are raising funds for Starship Hospital. Order forms are available from the school office or the school website. Ice creams will be \$2.50 and come with free wafers and sprinkles. If your child has a dietary requirement please note this on the order form.

Year 8 boys attending Wellington College in 2019 will be at the Wellington College Induction Day on Thursday 22 November. We will be serving these ice creams on Friday 23 November.

Student Council

Western Zone Athletics – Now Monday 19 November

All competitors, except for Year 7 and 8 discus and relay runners, are asked to be at school ready to catch the bus at 8.50am. Year 7-8 relay and discus students are asked to make their own way to Newtown Park to ensure they are at their event on time as they have a 9am and 9.30 start respectively.

Angela Scholten – PE and Sports Co ordinator

Board of Trustees Meeting – 5.30pm

The next meeting of the Northland School Board of Trustees is on Wednesday 20 November at 5.30pm in the staffroom. Meetings are open to family and whānau. Please note the earlier start time for the November meeting.

Calendar Art – Extra orders

A further order will be made in November if families would like additional copies of this year's calendar art. Please contact Julia or Ann in our school office for order forms or download from the Northland School website. Last day for orders is Monday 19 November.

School Hoodies

School hoodies ordered recently have now been distributed. Another order will be placed in Term 1 2019.

Tennis Balls

A huge thank you to the parents who have donated tennis balls. These are always in very high demand for these they are very easily lost! If there are any more tennis players out there who have access to tennis balls Northland School are always in need. Your donations are welcome. Please see Angela Scholten in Room 7.

Year 8 Leavers Dinner Fundraising

To assist with the Year 8 Leavers' Dinner fundraising, we will be selling ice blocks after school on FINE Thursdays and Fridays. \$2 each - located near the top school gate.

Quality of the Week – Humility

When you are humble you don't act as if you are more important than other people. You are happy to serve others and think other people's needs are important. You don't expect others or yourself to be perfect. You don't criticise others or yourself. You admit mistakes and learn from them. Sometimes mistakes are our best teachers.

Diary Dates for 2018

Term 4

15 November, Thursday	Scooter Skills, Team 2
16 November, Friday	School closed
19 November, Monday	GRACI Project interviews commence Western Zone Athletics
20 November, Tuesday	Board of Trustees Meeting, 5.30pm, staffroom
21 November, Wednesday	Kilbirnie Rec Centre, Team 2
22 November, Thursday	Student Council Ice Cream Day Kilbirnie Rec Centre, Team 2
26 November, Monday	Swimming commences, Year 1
27 November, Tuesday	Wellington athletics championships
6 December, Thursday	Team 1 Assembly Pizza Thursday
7 December, Friday	Student Council Fun Day
8 December, Saturday	Community Carols, 5pm, Community Centre
11 December, Tuesday	Board of Trustees, 7pm, library
13 December, Thursday	Reports go live, midday
14 December, Friday	Year 8 Leavers' Dinner
17 December, Monday	Parent Thank You Morning Tea, 10.30am Team 4 Sports Day
18 December, Tuesday	Team 4 to Thorndon Pool
Thursday 20 December	End of Year Community Assembly. 9.30am School closes, 2pm

Term Dates for 2018

Term 4: Monday 15 October – Thursday 20 December

Term Dates for 2019

Term 1: Monday 4 February– Friday 12 April
Term 2: Monday 29 April – Friday 5 July
Term 3: Monday 22 July – Friday 27 September
Term 4: Monday 14 October – Wednesday 18 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.

1918 Influenza - Karori Cemetery Commemoration Event

18 and 25 November, 11.00am – 4.00pm, Karori Cemetery, 76 Old Karori Road.

Most of those who died of influenza in Wellington were buried at the Karori Cemetery. Many of their graves have been cleaned, research has been done into the lives of more than 130 of those who died, and a commemoration programme has been developed to acknowledge the impact of the epidemic, and to restore our collective memory.

Northland Cake Competition

Congratulations to all of you who entered. Your cakes were fantastic this year.

First prize in the 8 years and under section goes to HL and her petite chocolate orange cake and 2nd and 3rd went to C+OC for their rainbow chocolate cake. Congratulations to TN who won first prize with her gravity defying entry. LC took out second place with her flower covered perfect Pav. TS with his original Tardis cake and RC with her gin and lemon cake came 3rd equal. Well done to you all!

And a big thank you to our terrific judges. See you all again next year!

Guitar Lessons

Hello! My name is Aabir and I'm a guitar player with a Master's degree from the New Zealand School of Music. I take guitar lessons in the Northland School library on Mondays from 4:15 to 6.00pm, Tuesdays from 4.00 to 6.00pm and Wednesdays from 4:30 to 6.00pm. This is a wonderful opportunity for your child to start (or continue) learning to play an instrument. If you are interested or would like more information please get in touch.

Email: aabir.maz@gmail.com Ph: [027 267 1634](tel:0272671634)

Mainly Music - New To Northland

A fun music session for pre-schoolers and their carers to enjoy together on Wednesdays from 9.30 - 10.45am at St Anne's Church Hall. Includes morning tea and playtime. No charge to come and check it out. Thereafter \$5 per session or \$30 for the rest of the term. You are welcome! Please contact Catherine McIntosh on 021 408 179 or

northlandmainlymusic@gmail.com

NZSM Young Musicians Programme 2019

Enrolments for the 2019 New Zealand School of Music's Young Musicians Programme's Classical classes are due by 16 November. Visit the [YMP website](#) for information about classes and to register. Module 1 YMP classes begin early March 2019.

Auditions are held for new classical students and to match chamber groups. Auditions will be late November/early December.

Onslow College Zone – Home Required

Ex-Northland School family (Ruth, Tui, Doris and the boys) are returning from Tonga and are looking for a 3 or 4 bedroom rental home in the Onslow College zone. Please contact Bryan Toumu'a on (022) 363 9954.

Piano and Singing Lessons

Hi everyone, my name is Michaela Cadwgan and I am teaching after school piano and singing lessons at Northland School. If you are interested in lessons you can contact me on my phone 021 147 0674, or via email at michaela.cadwgan@gmail.com.

One Day Football Programme – Friday 16 November

A day of football skills, challenges and tournaments - all lead by our wonderful club coaches.

When: Friday 16th November 2018 (ONE DAY ONLY)

Time: 8.30am - 3pm

Where: Terawhiti Turf / Karori Park

Cost: \$40 (inc GST)

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.

Please register: by 9pm on Wednesday 14 November 2018 - go to <https://fs26.formsite.com/KaroriFootball/wkqe2ksx62/index.html> to sign up.

Northland Kids Club – Friday 16 November - Full-Day Care Available

Northland Kidz Club is offering a holiday programme day from 8.30 am to 6 pm, based at the St Anne's Hall by the Northland Shops. We'll probably be going to the Karori Pool, as the kids enjoyed it so much last time, but we're open to other ideas so let us know! Bring your morning tea and lunch – we'll be providing afternoon tea, as usual.

The cost will be the holiday programme rate of \$45 per child per day (\$20 for the third child onwards from the same family).

Please book in as soon as possible, so that we know how many children to cater for.

Contact: Lisa (022-680-3075), Jan (022-140-2612) or e-mail (nkc.jan@gmail.com).

Marrzipan Afterschool Drama Classes

Is your child shy? Do they feel intimidated by the idea of public speaking and performance? Do they sometimes find it difficult to make eye contact? Do they just need dedicated time per week to just be CRAZY?! Come and join the revolutionary self-confidence programme - Marrzipan! We run awesome classes at schools, which focus on key life skills and public speaking ability. We play fun engaging games and perform at the end of term once to parents and once to the school. All scripts are original, engaging, educational and HILARIOUS. You can sign your child up for a Trial Lesson via our website www.marrzipandrama.co.nz (we have contact numbers on there too, should you prefer to talk to a human!)

Hannah Scholten Holiday Help / Babysitting

Are you going away over the Christmas break but don't have anyone to water your garden, collect mail, or feed your pets? I'm Hannah Scholten, Year 11 at Wellington Girls College and I would be happy to help. I'm also available for babysitting and have lots of experience with families around the Northland area. Text me on 0221825214

Babysitter

Hi, my name is Holly Henry-Paiti. I am a Year 11 student at Wellington Girls' College, and an ex-Northland School student, available for babysitting. I am excellent with kids, I can cook, walk dogs, help kids with homework and I'll clean up too! I am mainly looking for babysitting work for when I finish my NCEA exams. I can do any time any day from the 27 of November onwards. I can do evenings and weekends up until then. I am flexible with late notice if you need a one-off during the Christmas period, and open to more regular ongoing hours over summer. Please phone or text me on 022 501 1057 or email me at

henrypaitiho@wgc.school.nz

Karori Arts and Crafts Centre

"Craft and Quilt Fair" from 16 – 18 November, 10am – 4pm each day. Our Family day is 17 November from 10.00am – 4.00pm which will have a fun festival feel with loads of great crafts and quilts for sale, Xmas presents as well as face painting, lollies, baking, lucky dips and more. We'd love to see you there! If you'd like to see some craft/spinning/painting demonstrations these will also be on from 2.00 – 4.00pm.

Christmas Collective Market - Wednesday 21 November 7-10pm at St Mary's Church Karori

Christmas Collective is back! We are bringing top Wellington designers and makers to Karori for one night of Christmas shopping. A raffle running all night to support 'The Key To Life' organisation. Delicious drinks and treats with all money raised going to Karori Bellyful. Get your friends together now and mark it on the calendar so you don't miss out.

Pride Lands Fun Holiday Adventures

Summer Holidays at Otari School and Berhampore School

Dates: 17 December 2018 – 1 February 2019 from 7.00am-7pm daily

Fees: Daily \$81/cub per session or \$148 for two or more siblings per session

Weekly: \$239 per cub/week or \$449 for two or more siblings/week

Discounts/Funding Available: Wild Card (15%) off across all our services. MSD approval providing WINZ Subsidies for eligible families.

Social Development: Interactive Activities and NO TV or Video Games, Kai Cubs Cooking and Life Skills Programme creating healthy Breakfast, Lunch and Afternoon Teas.

Overnight Sleepover: Some of our cubs will have an overnight sleepover as part of our community challenge. Night entertainment includes spotlight, smoothies and movie nights.

Qualified First Aid Trained Activities Coordinators

One-on-One Care: Available for cub(s) if extra support is needed. Shuttle services (with booster seats) available.

Please contact us: 0800 PRIDE 4 U Or Register online: www.pridelands.org.nz

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

Before School Care

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 8.30am. 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 \$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 022-140-2612 Lisa 022-680-3075 or e-mail us on

nkc.jan@gmail.com Check out our website: www.nkc.org.nz