



**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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Enjoying ice creams on Ice Cream Day. This Student Council event raised over \$400 for Starship Hospital.

The Principal Point

We have recently completed the appointment of teaching staff for 2019. There has been quite a lot in the media recently about a predicted shortage of teachers. This has been a problem in Auckland for a number of years but is now being seen across the country. This has not affected

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Northland School as we had nearly 70 experienced and beginning teachers apply for a small number of fixed term and permanent teaching positions. What was noticeable this year was the number of teachers whom we shortlisted and who were subsequently offered other jobs in the short period of time between our applications closing and us commencing the interview process. We still had an outstanding field of candidates and are very pleased to welcome Emma Chapman, Lauren Peatfield, Trish Scofield and Gabrielle Crothall to our staff. Gill Sim has been appointed as a permanent member of the teaching staff.

We have a number of teachers leaving us at the end of the year. Alice Trail is moving to Palmerston North, Fiona Groube is on a year's leave, Vicky Balfour is on maternity leave, and Lisa Stratford and Gina Hinds's one year appointments come to an end.

This year we changed Jane Batchelor's Associate Principal role to one with a curriculum development focus. As well as teaching, Jane had time to undertake leadership tasks and to co-ordinate the redevelopment of our own school vision and curriculum. We will continue to use Jane's expertise in this way in 2019 to benefit the whole school. Also this year we released Hannah Fairbairn from the classroom for the first term to undertake the role of SENCO (Special Education Needs Co Ordinator). Part of this role was to ensure that we were providing for all our learners who may need extra support in learning, in English language, in social, behavioural and/or health needs. We will continue with a similar arrangement for Term 1 2019. Our teaching staff for next year are:

Principal

Jeremy Edwards

Associate Principals

Jane Batchelor – Curriculum
Hannah Fairbairn - Pastoral

Team 1

Room 1: Emma McElrea - Yr 1
Room 2: Lauren Peatfield - Yr 1
Room 3: Hannah Fairbairn - Yr 1 (from Term 2)
Room 4: Gill Sim – Yr 2
Room 5: Emma Chapman – Yr 2

Team 2

Room 6: Nathalie Lecaude – Yr 3 and 4
Room 7: Ange Scholten – Yr 3 and 4
Room 8: Trish Scofield – Yr 3 and 4

Team 3

Room 9: Lizzie Ryan - Yr 5 and 6
Room 10: Juliet McPhee - Yr 5 and 6
Room 11: Katie McGrath – Yr 5 and 6

Team 4

Room 12: Alex Oliver – Yr 7 and 8
Room 13: Gabrielle Crothall – Yr 7 and 8
Room 14: Fiona Valentine – Yr 7 and 8

Part Time Teachers

Eleanor Ainsworth, Karen Sturgeon (Reading Recovery), Jim Tither

A full list of all staff will be included with the last school newsletter for 2018.

Jeremy Edwards - Principal

School News

Team 1 Assembly - Thursday 6 December, 2.30pm, Viggers Centre

Family and friends of Team One children (Year 1 and 2) are warmly invited to our Team One Assembly for Term 4. We look forward to seeing you there, and sharing with you some of our learning and fun from this term. Please note that this is on a Thursday afternoon, due to Year 1 children swimming on Friday.

Community Carols Evening – Saturday 8 December

Our choirs have been invited to sing as part of the Community Carols evening on Saturday 8 December from 5.30 – 7.00pm at the Northland Community Centre. Please join us to share in this community event with children from Cardinal McKeefry School and the congregations of St Anne's and St Thomas More.

Student Council Fun Day – Friday 7 December

The final Student Council activity for 2018 is a Fun Day to be held on Friday 7 December. Each class will take part in some fun activities for an hour at Northland Park. There is no charge for this event as it is held to thank all our children for their support of the Student Council during the year.

Teams 3 and 4 students (Years 5 – 8) will be able to use a giant slip and slide we are setting up at Northland Park. Those wanting to take part will need to have their swim gear, towel and a change of clothing.

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Wellington Athletics

The Wellington Athletics Championship will be held on Thursday 29 November.

Angela Scholten – Lead Teacher PE and Sport

Pizza Thursday

The final Pizza Thursday, organised by the Home and School Committee, is on Thursday 6 December. Pizzas are \$5.50 and orders need to be with the school office by 3.00pm on Wednesday 5 December. No late orders are able to be accepted. Order forms are available from the school office or can be downloaded from the school website.

Library Books - End of Year Returns

All issued library books are now due. Please drop off all books to the library so we can complete our final inventory for the year.

Our school library will be offering a Summer Holiday Reading Programme for Years 0-4 (Teams 1 and 2). The children are welcome to borrow six books to be returned in the first week of Term 1, 2019. Be inspired to read over the school holidays! Please return all your outstanding library books to be able to choose your summer reading books in Week 9 (10 - 11 December).

Lizzie Ryan and Rachelle Samaniego – Library Team

Morning Tea for Parent Helpers – Monday 17 December

Set aside time on Monday 17 December to join the staff for morning tea at 10.30am in the library. If you have helped the school in any way this year, please join us. This is our opportunity to say thank you for helping us in so many ways.

Year 8 Leavers Dinner Fundraising – Ice Blocks for Sale

Ice Blocks and Bucket Hats for Sale to assist with the Year 8 Leavers' dinner fundraising, we will be selling ice blocks after school on FINE Thursdays and Fridays. Ice Blocks \$2 each and Bucket Hats \$15 each - located near the top school gate. Hats will also be available to purchase from school office.

For Northland School Fundraising of Activities - All profit goes to the School

For sale or auction

- Armistice Day 50c Coin and ANZAC Day 50c Coin Packs (10 only at the moment) for auction
- ANZAC Day 50c Coin Packs for sale
- Packs may include an Armistice Day Stamp \$1.20 and Envelope (optional extra cost).

Great gift for kids, grandparents, collectors or for the Xmas Stocking (sadly not for Xmas Puddings)!

Please email jotony13@gmail.com for more information or to place a bid or buy an item.

Quality of the Week – Generosity

Generosity is giving and sharing. It is giving freely because you want to, not with the idea of receiving a reward or a gift in return. Generosity is being aware that there is plenty for everyone. It is seeing a chance to give what you have and then giving just for the joy of giving. It is one of the best ways to show love and friendship.

Diary Dates for 2018

Term 4

29 November, Thursday	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.

Northland's THE PETITE GIFT FAIR Friday 30 November, 6-9pm

Our lovely little local gift fair is back again and better than ever! Come join your friends and local makers for a fun and social night of Christmas shopping. Maybe pick up a few locally made goodies for yourself! Saint Anne's Church Hall, Northland Village Friday 30 November 6-9pm. More info on Facebook and Instagram.

Mainly Music for Northland Pre-schoolers

A fun music session for pre-schoolers and their carers to enjoy together on Wednesdays during term time from 9.30-10.45am at St Anne's Church Hall (corner Northland and Randwick Roads). Includes morning tea and playtime. No charge to come and check it out. Thereafter \$5 per session. You are welcome! Please contact Catherine McIntosh on 021 408 179 or northlandmainlymusic@gmail.com

Homework Projects

Collecting For Cats Protection League – Term 4 Homework Project

Hi, I'm in Room 10 and I'll be collecting things for donating to Cats Protection League. If you can bring in any donations that would be great. They need good quality cat food (wet and dry), fleece blankets, newspapers, and kitty litter. You can bring donations into Room 10 until Friday 30 November. Thank you!

Christmas Gifts at Northland School - Term 4 Homework Project

Come and buy your Christmas gifts early, free of rush. As part of our Term 4 homework project, we are holding a Christmas stall to raise money for local charities, including the SPCA and night shelters. We will be holding this on **6 December at 3pm** on the lower playground. There will be affordable, heartwarming baked goods and gifts for your friends and family. As part of the project, we invite you to donate your good condition toys or children's books that you don't need any more, and we will resell them on the day and donate the money so that less fortunate kids can have Christmas presents too... If you have any toys you would like to donate, please bring them to the school office from **Monday 26 November until Monday 3 December**. Any toys that are not sold on the day will be donated to charity.

Thank you

We would like to say a thank you to everyone who supported the Wellington Free Ambulance fundraising bake sale. It was very successful and all together we raised \$123.60!

Summer Holiday Programme – Northland Kidz Club

Every day, we're out-and-about exploring the Wellington area. We'll be ice-skating, swimming, go-karting and playing mini-golf, seeing kids theatre productions, going on tours, playing ten-pin bowls, not to mention "Mission Inflatable" "Time Cinema" going to Somes / Matiu Island, doing a Circus Workshop and much more. \$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) or contact Jan on cell (022-140-2612) e-mail (nkc.jan@gmail.com)

Holiday Theatre Camp - Gryphon Theatre, Ghuznee Street

22 - 25 January, Tuesday to Friday "Foo Dog Island"

If you love pirates you'll love this rip-roaring adventure! Great roles for boys and girls! Students audition, rehearse and perform a fully costumed play in 4 days. Every student gets a role with dialogue. Only 18 places available.

Ages: 7 to 13 years

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

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

Register: www.wyt.actingantics.com or contact admin@actingantics.com

Stop Motion Animation – January 2019

Popular movie making creativity with LEGO and colour paper based in Newtown. Options for three or four days (9 to 5) in the week starting Monday 14 January 2019. For more information go to www.newtownmovieschool.co.nz or contact Craig Lauridsen 021 966 277 or nms@acumen.net.nz

CodeCamp - Summer Holidays

Samuel Marsden School: 7-10, 14-17 and 22-24 January 2019

Thorndon Primary School: 7-10, 14-17 and 22-24 January 2019

Petone: 17– 20 December, 7-10, 14-17 and 22-25 January 2019

Porirua: 17– 20 December, 7-10, 14-17 and 22-25 January 2019

CodeCamp allows kids from the ages of 7-12 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 <http://codecamp.co.nz/holiday-codecamp/>**

Everyone Out Summer Holiday Programme

Running this January at Huntleigh Park, Crofton Downs. The programme will let your kids freely play and explore outside with no screens and very few 'toys'. They will be supported to create, challenge themselves and most importantly have fun! For more information check out our Facebook Page or enrol your child at <https://enrolmy.com/everyone-out>

Babysitting and Housework Available

Hi, I am an ex-Northland School student, and I am looking for work over the summer holidays. I am available anytime and at short notice. I have taken a first aid course and a babysitting course and am experienced in babysitting children from 2 to 10 years of age. I am also experienced in housework, cleaning and cooking (for people other than my own family). I am reliable and well organised. My name is Wiktor Tumilowicz. You can contact me at wtumilowicz@gmail.com or text me at 0212557958.

Ex-Northland School Student Available For Pet Feeding Over Christmas Holidays

Hi, my name is Fynn and I'm a responsible ex-Northland school student now in Year 9 at Wellington Boys College. I am available throughout the Christmas school holidays to feed your pets while you are away. I have lots of experience, and can also help with collecting mail and watering the garden. Please give me a call/text on 022 4561836 if interested, thanks.

Girl Guide / Rangers Polarfleece Jacket

Size 14yrs. Very good condition \$20 (new retails at \$66). Contact Kate 021 106 0204

Wellington Young Voices Children's Choir- Spaces Available In 2019

Wellington Young Voices is a regional children's choir which caters for 8-14 year old singers from throughout the Wellington area. In the past 6 years they have sung with a number of overseas and local choirs and orchestras, including visiting children's choirs from Australia, and the Philippines. Rehearsals are held during term time on a Monday from 4-6pm at St Andrews on the Terrace. Entry is by audition. For more information and registration see www.wellingtonyoungvoices.org.nz or contact the administrator at wvychoir@gmail.com

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 \$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

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