



**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**



*Some of the many participants in Term 3's NS Idol organised by the Student Council.*

## The Principal Point

Welcome back to Term 4. We hope that everyone managed to find some sun and warmth over the holidays and enjoy some family time before we begin the busyness in the lead up to Christmas. This term we welcome Alexis Young to our support staff.

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We have been notified by the Ministry of Education of our preliminary budget and staffing allocation for 2018. As well as developing the budget we will be considering how to organise the school to best meet the needs of our students, the school's strategic aims and the ideas that feed through from our biennial community surveys.

To help us with our planning we do need to know the number of students we will have in 2018. If your child is in Year 1 – 7 and is leaving at the end of the year please let us know as soon as possible. If you have children due to start at Northland School in 2018 please check with Julia and Ann in the office to ensure that we have these details recorded. If you know of children from other families who are likely to start next year please encourage the parents to contact us. The more information the school has about potential in-zone enrolments the better equipped we are to provide the best possible class organisation for the coming year. Our Board of Trustees also uses this information when considering the possibilities for enrolments for families living outside the school's enrolment zone and wanting to attend Northland School.

If you live outside our enrolment zone and have a child turning 5 next year please contact the school office urgently to ensure that we have your child's name on our potential enrolments list. Children living outside the zone and wanting to enrol at Northland School do need to go through a ballot process. Preference in any ballot is given to siblings of current students.

On a completely different subject we have now been waiting for over a month for a final Ministry of Education decision by its Design and Review Panel with respect to the preliminary design of our new two storey building. The current building had been identified by the Ministry some time ago as needing remediation work to rectify long-standing issues with water tightness. As well the new building would be addressing the need for additional teaching spaces. Since May our architects, staff and the Board have worked together to develop a design for a new classroom block that is the equivalent of 10 classrooms, a library and a new hall. We are just waiting for the Ministry's approval before we can commence more detailed design work. As soon as a confirmed decision is made we will notify our parent community.

A reminder that all students and staff wear sunhats when outside in Terms 1 and 4. Sunhats must have a brim and caps are not suitable as they do not shade the back of the neck nor ears. It was pleasing to see so many children with sunhats on the first day of the term with most students already being "sunsmart" by Tuesday.

For the first part of the term all of our Year 1 – 6 students are involved in *Keeping Ourselves Safe*, a personal safety programme developed by the NZ Police. Our Police Education Officer, Duncan Ashton, will be working with classes over the next few weeks. Duncan will be available after school on Wednesday 1 November to answer questions about the programme.

Our Year 7 and 8 students are also involved in a personal safety programme but with a focus on keeping safe when on-line. This programme will also look at the rights and responsibilities of being a digital citizen in the 21<sup>st</sup> century.

***Jeremy Edwards – Principal***

## **School News**

### **Celebrating Student Success**

#### ***Synchronised Swimming***

Congratulations to one of our Yr8 students who recently competed in the NZ Synchronised Swimming Championships and was awarded best figures for competitors up to the age of 16. Well done.

#### ***ICAS Mathematics***

Congratulations to our students who were awarded special achievement certificates in this year's ICAS Mathematics. Certificates and results information have been distributed to all who participated.

### **Labour Day – School Closed**

Northland School is closed on Monday 23 October for Labour Day.

### **Out of Zone Enrolment Ballot for 2018**

The Board of Trustees has decided to hold a ballot for out of zone enrolment in Terms 1 and 2 2018. There are a limited number of places available across the school. 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 10 November. Further information and application forms are available from the school office.

### **Calendar Art Orders Have Arrived**

Calendars, diaries, cards and mouse pads ordered last term have now arrived and been distributed. A further order will be made early in November if families would like additional copies. Please contact Julia or Ann in our school office for order forms

### **Team Newsletters**

Each teaching team has written its own newsletter for the start of this term. These have been distributed today.

### **Northland School Athletics – Thursday 19 October**

Our school Athletics sports for all students will be held tomorrow, Thursday 19 October, (postponement Thursday 2 November) at Ben Burn Park, Karori. Please check the school website from 7.30am to see if the athletics is on as the park maybe too wet following recent rain.

Year 3 – 8 students will be catching the bus from school at 9.30am ready for a 10.00am start. They will be returning to school at about 2.15pm. Year 1 and 2 students will be catching the bus at 11.30am having lunch at Ben Burn Park and then beginning their round of events at 12.30pm before returning to school around 1.30pm.

Parents are welcome to join us at Ben Burn Park in Karori at any time. If children are returning home with parents at the conclusion of the athletics, rather than coming back to

school, please check in with your child's class teacher so we have an accurate record of where children are at the end of the day.

### **Programme of events for Years 3 - 8**

	<b>10:00am</b>	<b>10.45am</b>	<b>11.30am</b>	<b>Lunch</b>	<b>12:45pm</b>	<b>1:30pm</b>
<b>Sprints</b>	Yr 3 & 4 60m	Yr 5 80m	Yr 6 80m		Yr 7 100m	Yr 8 100m
<b>Vortex</b>	Yr 8	Yr 3 & 4	Yr 5		Yr 6	Yr 7
<b>High Jump</b>	Yr 7	Yr 8	Yr 3 & 4		Yr 5	Yr 6
<b>Quoits/ Discus</b>	Yr 6	Yr 7	Yr 8		Yr 3 & 4	Yr5
<b>Long Jump</b>	Yr 5	Yr 6	Yr 7		Yr 8	Yr 3 & 4

**Angela Scholten – Lead Teacher: PE and Sport**

### **Pizza Thursday**

The next Pizza Thursday, organised by the Home and School Committee, will be on Thursday 2 November. Order forms are available from the school office or can be downloaded from the school website. Orders need to be received by 3.00pm, Wednesday 1 November. Late orders are unable to be accepted.

### **School T Shirts**

Please return all school T shirts to the office.

### **Scholastic Lucky Book Club – Issue 7**

Issue 7 is now available online. There will be no catalogues distributed this term at school. If you would like to purchase any books, please **order and pay online** from the Scholastic website: [www.scholastic.co.nz](http://www.scholastic.co.nz).

Books will be delivered to school and distributed to your children. Orders deadline: Monday 30 October. Any queries please see Rachelle Samaniego, our school librarian.

### **Cans for Good**

Northland School is participating in Cans for Good - a programme to collect cans to fill the Salvation Army foodbanks. We are asking children to bring cans of food to school in the week 30 October to 3 November. We are planning to create a wonderful playground display on the final day, Friday 3 November. Thank you in advance for your support.

## Quality of the Week – Forgiveness

Being forgiving is giving someone another chance after they have done something wrong, knowing that everyone makes mistakes. It is making amends instead of taking revenge. It is important to forgive yourself, too. Forgiving yourself means to stop punishing yourself or feeling hopeless because of a mistake. Forgiveness is moving ahead, ready to act differently, with compassion for yourself and faith that you can change.

## Diary Dates for 2017

Thursday 19 October	• School Athletics Day, Ben Burn Park
Monday 23 October	• Labour Day, school closed
Thursday 26 October	• Kapa Haka Festival • ASB Stadium programme begins, Team 2
Monday 30 October	• Whanau hui, 7pm
Tuesday 31 October	• Year 3 Sports Festival
Thursday 2 November	• Postponement day for school athletics
Friday 3 November	• Cans for Good Display
Monday 6 November	• ASB Stadium programme begins, Team 3
Friday 10 November	• Western Zone Athletics • Morning Tea for new parents, 9.00am
Tuesday 14 November	• Board of Trustees, 7pm • EPRO8 Challenge, Team 4
Wednesday 15 November	• Student Council Ice Cream Day
Monday 20 November	• Swimming programme begins, Year 1
Tuesday 21 November	• Interzone athletics
Thursday 23 November	• Wellington College Induction Day Yr 8 boys
Friday 24 November	• Gardasil injections, Year 8
Wednesday 29 November	• Tri Tournament – Team 4
Thursday 30 November	• Student Council Fun Day

## Term Dates for 2017

Term 4: Monday 16 October – Friday 15 December

## 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.*

### **Subway School Lunches Not Available - Friday 3 November**

Subway lunches will be unavailable on Friday 3 November.

### **Western Suburbs Halloween Party at the Northland Memorial Community Centre**

Halloween has come to Western Suburbs! Food trucks, BYO and Coffee and Cake will entertain the adults while your mini-zombies dare to be terrified by our haunted cave. From 5.00pm on 31 October at the Northland Memorial Community Centre in Woburn Road. Updates will be posted on Facebook and Neighbourly. PS Our haunted cave is different this year, so will provide some fresh thrills.

### **Lost - Blue Wests Rugby Hoody**

It has the a name and the team name Falcons printed on the back. If you accidentally took it home at the end of term please return it to Room 6, thank you.

### **Girls Summer Soccer Team**

A Year 5 girls soccer team is seeking 1 or 2 more girls to play in our team. Games are Friday afternoons down at Ian Galloway Park. Players can be Year 4, 5, 6. Call Michelle 021 610 653

### **Kelly Sports Term 4 – after school on Mondays**

Kelly Sports is back in Term 4 with their fun and exciting classes after school. Kelly Sports encourages children to have fun, build confidence and to give sport a go. We believe that sport and physical activity has so much to offer young people; it improves fitness, develops communication skills, team work and gives them a place to channel their energy. Summer Fun in the Sun! (Years 1 & 2) – Mondays 3.05 - 4.05pm. Learn the fundamentals of all sports – throwing, running, jumping, striking, balance and many more. Summer Fun in the Sun! (Years 2 - 4) – Mondays 3.05-4.05pm - Come and try football, T ball, athletics and basketball. It's a great way to try new sports, learn new skills and improve ability. We use games and drills to teach game sense and team play. For full details and to enrol into our programmes visit [www.kellysports.co.nz](http://www.kellysports.co.nz) email [adminwgtn@kellysports.co.nz](mailto:adminwgtn@kellysports.co.nz) or call 04 972 7201

### **Bonjour! Parlez-vous Français?**

Alliance Française Wellington returns to Northland School every Tuesday from 3.05pm to 3.50pm to offer French after school classes. A native qualified French teacher will teach the language through interactive learning, while playing and singing. If your child is in Year 6 or above, you can enrol now. Just email Alliance Française: [schools@french.co.nz](mailto:schools@french.co.nz) or ring 04 472 12 72 A bientôt!

## **Karori Lawn Tennis Club**

226 Karori Road is taking enrolments now. Coaching for school age children is available for both beginners and more experienced players on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday from 3:15pm. Contact Margaret at [kltcjuniortennis@gmail.com](mailto:kltcjuniortennis@gmail.com) for more information.

## **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 school, which focus on key life skills and public speaking ability. We play fun engaging games and perform at the end of term to parents and friends. 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](http://www.marrzipandrama.co.nz) (we have contact numbers on there too, should you prefer to talk to a human!)

## **Karori Amateur Athletics Club**

Ben Burn Park, Wednesdays 6.00pm. Season starts 25 October and runs for 2 terms.

The Karori Athletics Club provides a fun environment with a mixture of games for ages 6 and under and track and field athletics for children from 7 - 15 years old. Keen athletes can represent Karori and compete in Inter-club events and other competitions during the season. Parents measure, time, supervise and guide, encourage and cheer the kids on. It's a lot of fun and there's even a sausage sizzle! The Club meets weekly at Ben Burn Park in Karori on Wednesday nights (6.00-7.30pm) over the summer from October to March.

For more information including details on online registration, visit the website: [www.karoriathletics.org.nz](http://www.karoriathletics.org.nz)

## **Pilates Introductory Classes This Term**

26 October to 14 December, Thursdays 6.30pm and 7.30pm. 8 weeks \$120.00 or Mondays 31 October to 11 December 1.15 to 2.15 pm 7 weeks \$105.

Find your balance, alignment, core strength or whether you just want your "Me time"... classes are held at St Annes in Northland. Website [www.sueruffellpilates.co.nz](http://www.sueruffellpilates.co.nz).

Phone 0277128434 or email [breathe@sueruffellpilates.co.nz](mailto:breathe@sueruffellpilates.co.nz) Enrolment essential as 8 students per class.

## **St. Benedict's School Fair - Khandallah.**

Sunday 29 October, come along and enjoy an afternoon where there is something for everyone: Toys, clothing, a variety of food including an ethnic food stall, sweets, cakes, a café, craft, tombola, silent auctions, books and a Kids Zone including a chocolate trailer, sumo wrestling, a box maze, a bouncy castle and so much more. 11am to 2pm. Raffles and a [silent auction](#) with fantastic prizes up for grabs.

## **St. Anne's Northland Annual Fair**

St. Anne's Northland Fair, Saturday 4 November 9.30am – 1.30pm in the Church hall. Meet your friends at our POP-UP CAFÉ, buy your Christmas cards and presents, children's toys, books and clothes. Crafts, plants and books, lunches, cakes, biscuits, jams and preserves. Please leave any donations of goods at the back of the Church any weekday, please no adult's clothes or household goods. Want to know more? Contact Tony on (027) 279 2856.

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## **School Lunches – Tuesdays**

### **Sushi Lunches**

Place your order for Tuesdays now via [www.ezlunch.co.nz](http://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](mailto:sushilunchwellington@gmail.com) 220810781 [www.ezlunch.co.nz](http://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](http://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](http://www.kellyclub.co.nz) (Wellington area), email [northland@kellyclub.co.nz](mailto: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](mailto:nkc.jan@gmail.com) Check out our website: [www.nkc.org.nz](http://www.nkc.org.nz)