



School Newsletter

Week 9 Term 3

Thursday September 20th 2018

The holidays are nearly here. Please be aware that there will be several building projects starting on the first day of the holidays. These include the removal of asbestos from our tech classrooms. Please make sure that your child does not come to use the grounds or courts during the first few days of the holidays while this is happening. The area will be closed off and warning signs will be on display. The roof, cladding and window replacement for these classrooms will take up to 2 months so we will have a little disruption. Fine spring weather would be helpful!

Social Media

Despite our discussions here at school and these reminders in the newsletter Instagram continues to give us cause for concern. It seems that many students have a public account and also a private one that their parents do not know about. Recent posts we have seen have been of a graphic, explicit nature which has prompted me to contact Netsafe and the police for advice.

Netsafe is the organization that supports families with issues around social media. I have attached a link to this website. You might find this useful. <https://www.netsafe.org.nz/>

Term 3 Learning

We are so pleased to see the community spirit, creativity and student-led organisation that is occurring across the school.

Please look at the note at the end of this newsletter prepared by some groups. I am sure many of you will be able to help out. I know the staff are all actively involved with these projects too. Thank you for your support so far. A group of our boys are asking for a few fruit trees now to help sustain our newly planted orchard.

Next week we are having a concert and have invited people in the community we have been working with in some way. All parents are invited too. It starts at 2pm and will be held in our school hall.

AIMS Games

Three of our sports teams competed last week at the annual AIMS Games in Tauranga. The cross country team finished 12th out of 72 teams which was just fabulous. Our netball team had a top 50 finish out 122 teams which was our best result since competing at this event. Our basketball team finished 48th out of 72 teams. It is a great experience and the competition is tough at times.

WOW

This week a group of students showcased their wearable art creations as part of Artsplash. What a fantastic selection of costumes we saw. The designers, makers and models did a great job, ably supported by Ms Boyack and Ms Ryder.

Netball

We have yet to receive back all the netball dresses or coaching bags. The season has ended and we are washing and storing all the gear over the summer. Please check your kit or dress has been returned to school. Thank you. Our Northern Suburbs Netball prize giving is on next Monday September 24th at 6pm at Newlands College. All students attending the prize giving must be wearing school uniform. Congratulations to Kakariki for winning section B3 and Matai for coming runners-up in this grade. Congratulations also to Pango for coming runners-up in A2.

St Brigid's Kapahaka Festival

Our kapahaka performed last weekend at the St Brigid's Kapahaka Festival. They looked and sounded just great. Thanks to all the staff and parents who supported us.

Puberty Information Evening

Just a reminder that we are holding a Puberty Information Evening next Wednesday at 6pm in our shared learning area. In 2019 we will be rewriting this part of our health curriculum and will be asking for community and student voice to guide us.

Science Roadshow

Next week sees the Science Roadshow set up displays for a couple of days in our school hall. The cost of this event is \$8 per student has been included in the fee charges this year. Students who have paid their \$8 can attend.

College Market Day

Tomorrow is the annual Newlands College year 11 market day. All our students have been canvassed for their ideas and preferences. The market is a study in running a small business. Please feel free to send your child to school with a little cash to spend at this event. Our school canteen will be closed.

Angela Lowe

Calendar of Events

Newlands Kapahaka Festival	Monday September 24th Newlands College
Science Roadshow	Monday 24th and 25th September
Inter-Intermediate Basketball	Wednesday 26th September
Puberty Information Evening	Wednesday 26th September
Afternoon Concert	Thursday 27th September 2pm

Last day of term

Friday 28th September 2.55pm

Community Notices

Check out our website for more details about these events

Regional Public Health - Influenza
Living with Atrial Fibrillation
Bellevue Kindergarten is Celebrating 40 Years
Newtown Movie School
Wilderkids Back in October!
Wellington Cathedral of St Paul Saturday 13 October
Bizarre Bazaar -Saturday 22 September
Music Holiday Programmes
Craft House - School Holiday Classes
Open Morning Marsden Collegiate School
Staglands Wild Trail Challenge
Asthma Foundation - Art Competition
Spotlight Performing Arts

Help Us Make A Difference

Students in Nga Wawata are working on plans of action to make a difference for others.

To be successful we need your help for the next 3 weeks!



- Can you donate any wool? This will be used to knit peggy squares for the Wellington Neonate Unit and to make gloves and beanies for the Night Shelter. **Please hand to Elise in Room 13.**
- *Do you have any spare pairs of children's socks? These will be donated to primary school children in Titahi Bay.* Maia and Kiritiira are responsible for organising this project. Socks can be dropped off to Room 13.
- Hannah and Caoimhe are after items that would be suitable in a care box for the Night Shelter. Things like deodorant, toothbrushes, hair brushes, beanies and socks would be appreciated. There will be a box outside Room 11 for you to drop these items into.



- We are after any old fabric, sheets and pillowcases to make boomerang bags for the local New World. Sophia, Puja, Ella G and Sabeen are co-ordinating this project. Just send your donations to Room 13. **Wawata.**
- Lori in Room 13 is wanting old sheets and cardboard toilet rolls to make SPCA enrichment toys.
- Lisa and Kaitlyn in Room 15 are making care packages. They would like donations of toothbrushes, toothpaste, soap and flannels for the homeless at the Wellington Mission. **Please drop items to the box outside Room 15.**
- Rudresh, Aryan, Ryan, Newel, Simon, Andrew and Brayden from Rooms 11 @ 15 would like you to send in any old toys and board games that are in good condition. These are for the children at Wellington Hospital. Please drop off to Room 11.



Kia ora, Talofa, Kia Orana and good greetings to all of you.

Kia ora my topic group and I, Terupe, Ethan, Hamish and Liam, have been working on planting some fruit trees in the community gardens.

We have contacted companies, like Mitre 10 and Bunnings, to help us get some fruit trees.

We would like to ask if you are able to help us by donating a couple of fruit trees so that we can help out our community gardens.

Thanks,

Terupe, Ethan, Liam and Hamish.

