



Newlands School Newsletter

Wednesday 25 November | Week 07, Term 4 2020



Dates and Reminders

Mon 16 to Fri 27 November

Te Pihi Swimming (2 weeks)

Friday 27 November

Book club order closes

Monday 30 November

Te Kakano (Year 1 & 2) fun day @ school

Thursday 3 December

7pm Board of Trustees meeting

Friday 4 December

Year 5 & 6 leadership day @ Karori Pools

Monday 7 December

Thank you afternoon tea

Tuesday 8 December

5:45pm-8:00pm Year 6 dinner

Wednesday 9 December

Students visit classrooms for 2021

Thursday 10 December

1:30pm Year 6 prizegiving assembly

School reports emailed home

Friday 11 December

1:00pm School finishes for the year

Wednesday 3 February

First day of school for 2021

Click [here](#) to view 2021 school dates

Dear Parents & Caregivers

Newlands Park Development

On Monday morning there was a special ceremony at Newlands Park as the park redevelopment got underway. At dawn Kura Moeahu, a Te Atiawa iwi representative led a blessing/karakia to acknowledge the history of the park. The event was attended by a number of community members, designers, workers and council representatives.



Left to right: Jill Day (Wellington City Councillor), Shirley Porteous (Newlands Principal), and Kura Moeahu (Te Atiawa iwi) turning the first piece of earth.

Our Kawakawa tamariki now have a great view of busy diggers, giving them lots of inspiration for story writing!

Parking during park development

The Newlands park development will be going on well into 2021. There are a number of car parks on Newlands Road that can no longer be used to ensure daily access for trucks etc.

Our **drop off zone** is still available but please ensure you only stop briefly to let your children out of the car—absolutely no parking please! **Yellow lines** still mean no stopping/parking and the **bottom of our driveway** is not a place to stop.

The safest and best way to avoid congestion is for everyone to plan to drop off further away from our school entry points and walk. Please help us to keep our students safe! Thank you!

Thank you afternoon tea—Monday 7 December

Newlands School is incredibly grateful for the huge amount of support we receive from our school whanau and friends. We could not do what we do without your support and we want to take the time to personally thank our wonderful helpers.

We are working on an invite for our thank you afternoon tea which will be held after school on Monday 7 December to send to all of our parents and school community that have helped out at school this year. This will be emailed next week. We hope that you can join us!



Student Class Placements for 2021

This year we are planning a different process to notify students, parents and caregivers of classes for 2021. We would like our students to know who their teacher will be before the end of the school year and to have had a chance to visit their new room and spend time with their new class and teacher.

To this end, on Wednesday 9 December visits to students classes for 2021 will take place and students will bring home a letter from their new teacher. This process will support a great transition for our students at the start of school next year.

Interzone Athletics Results

Last week, Newlands School had an impressive line up of athletes who competed at the Interzone Athletics competition across a wide range of track and field events. A huge thank you to Tilisa Hardman and Keiko von Dadelszen for your amazing help on the day. We ended the day with 3 athletes making it through to the Reginal Athletics competition, and 2 more in reserve. Here are the official results.

| Name | Event and Result |
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| Abby Hardman (Year 6) | 2nd in 80m Sprint 3rd in 150m Sprint |
| Sienna Stanford (Year 4) | 2nd in High Jump |
| Maia Fransen (Year 5) | 1st in Quoits |
| Makarios Vaihola (Year 6) | 4th in Long Jump 6th in 80m Sprint |
| Amie Sugarman (Year 6) | 4th in Quoits |
| Mei von Dadelszen (Year 6) | 7th in 800m |
| Hannah Ikurere (Year 5) | 11th in 80m Sprint 12th in 150m Sprint |
| Nicole Sugarman, Brooke Hankinson, Sophie Smitheman and Abby Hardman | 6th in Year 6 Girls Relay |
| Ryan Dodd (Year 5) | High Jump |

Te Pahi Swimming in Action: tomorrow Thursday 26 November

An invitation to Parents and Caregivers

Te Pahi Parents and Caregivers are warmly invited to join us at Keith Spry Pool tomorrow to watch their kids in action during their swimming lessons. The timetable for each class is set out below. Entry is free for parent spectators coming to watch their child's lesson.

12:30-1:00pm Pohutukawa class swimming lessons

1:00-1:30pm Tawa class swimming lessons

1:30-2:00pm Rata class swimming lessons

2:00-2:30pm Manuka class swimming lessons

National Young Leaders Day 2020

On Wednesday last week 12 of our Year 6 students were selected to attend the National Young Leaders Day, held at Te Rauparaha area. Read about their experiences from the day below.



National Young Leaders Day was a very interesting and entertaining day! We got to listen to many inspiring speakers, who talked about their successes and challenges through life. My favourite speaker was Riley Hathaway, she talked about how she was a Marine Biologist, and her dad was an underwater cameraman. She had a lot to say that interested all us kids. In between speakers we would play a game that involved everyone! Overall the day was terrific as well as extremely fun. I hope we can go back in 2021!

Sway Lambert

National Young Leaders Day this year was very exciting. We listened to so many inspiring speakers. They told us their stories of struggles and success. There was a Marine Biologist who is afraid of seaweed, and a Teacher who permanently injured his leg in a freak eruption on Mount Ruapehu. It was a terrific learning experience for all of us, and we hope we can go back next year. We also played a couple fun games!

Eve Comber

This year's young leaders day was an inspiring day where we listened to lots of leaders and told us about their journey through leading. We listened to speakers who went against all odds and fought through their struggles. My personal favourite was a girl named Josie Moon who is an aspiring musician who is about to release her first ever album. She told us about how she was able to overcome her nerves and perform in front of big crowds, she was my favourite because I love music. We played lots of fun games and learnt a lot of new things! It was a very exciting and awesome day, it was an amazing experience and I am sure that all of us want to go back in 2021.

Nate Hikuroa-Reddie

Feed your whanau

Yesterday and today our senior students in Kanuka and Puriri had some 'Feed your whanau' fun! Thanks SKIDS for providing this great experience for our students to cook and for giving them all the ingredients to cook for their families at home too!



Epro8 competition

Last Wednesday the Newlands Epro8 team attended the Wellington semifinals, coming 5th after a gruelling and tight competition.

Here are some of their thoughts: "...my team worked together well and had good communication." - Ryan. "I really enjoyed being able to work as a team to achieve a common goal and doing different things to work up to that goal." - Amie. "I learned that if you make one mistake it can impact your whole structure and that you should check what you've done before moving on..." - Yusuf. "I really enjoyed taking part in the Epro 8 challenge and hope I get to have this privilege again soon." - Jorja



Digital Technology learning at Newlands School

We are extremely lucky to have Matt Richards working alongside teachers and children right across Newlands School. Matt is helping us add to our digital technology and student agency tools. He is currently working with children from Te Pihi syndicate on a programme called Gamefroot. This is a game that focuses on coding and problem solving skills. The children are enjoying the challenge!



Community Notices

Click [here](#) to see all our community notices on our website.

RECENT ADDITIONS:

- **Evolve Tennis Coaching**
Hot Shots/Teen Holiday Camps
- **Johnsonville Christmas Parade**
Saturday 5 December
- **Kelly Club**
Pre-xmas and holiday programmes
- **Kelly Sports**
January 2021 holiday programmes
- **Khandallah Tennis & Squash Club:**
Summer pass for friends and family
- **Pridelands Summer Holiday Programme**
- **Secondhand uniform event: 13 & 14 Jan**
opportunity to donate or purchase second-hand Intermediate & College uniforms

Welcome to our School!



We welcome the following students to our school:

August Graham (Kawakawa Class)
Miles Tulia (Kawakawa Class)

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