



West Park School

Te Kura O Papa Hauāuru

Every student matters, every moment counts.

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NEWSLETTER 14/16

1 September 2016

Kia ora, Talofa, Kia orana,

Greetings Parents, Grandparents and Caregivers,

A reminder that the majority of staff will on **Tuesday 6 September** be attending a paid union meeting, at the Michael Fowler Centre. This means that school will be operating differently on that afternoon.

- We request that parents/ caregivers **collect their children at 12.30pm** on that day if it is at all possible
- There will be a small number of staff at school during the afternoon to supervise any children who cannot be collected.
- Please advise the office if your child is unable to be collected at 12.30pm by email office@westpark.school.nz or phone on 478 7074.

CHANGES PLANNED DUE TO ROLL GROWTH

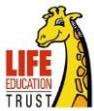
As you will be aware the school is currently awaiting the arrival of two new modular classrooms to help address our current shortage of teaching spaces. The new classrooms, were scheduled to be onsite mid this term but due to unforeseen supplier delays have now been re-scheduled to arrive late term 4. This fact, combined with numerous unanticipated term 3 in-zone enrolments, has forced us to now begin planning for using the final available space we have to use as a classroom, this being our school hall.

Numerous options have been considered during the past 2 weeks. When evaluating each of these options it was clear that they would each generate additional complications for the school. The decision has been given a great deal of thought and was not an easy one, but we do believe it will cause the least disruption and allow us to cater for a range of student and school needs.

The solution that we have settled on until the new modular classrooms are available for use, and that we believe will cause the least disruption, is to move Rooms 10 and 16 into the hall, Room 1 into the room currently occupied by Room 10, and Room 18 into the room currently occupied by room 1.

The new layout will come into effect on Monday the 5th of September. Later in this newsletter you will find a school plan showing the new layout and respective classroom numbers. Please note that we acknowledge that the numbering system will now look a bit confusing but for administrative reasons it is best that we keep existing room numbers with their current students.

Life Education Van visit



It has been fantastic having The Life Education Van and Harold onsite during the past week. Students and staff alike have appreciated the expertise, perspective and programmes that the children are involved in.

Daffodil Day

Thanks to the many parents, caregivers and students who last week supported the Cancer Society's Daffodil Day. As a school we raised \$498.20 towards this very worthy cause. Thanks to Mrs Ayres for coordinating this great event in support of the Cancer Society.



ArtSplash

Last night many of our year 5 and 6 students participated in this year's ArtSplash event, at the Michael Fowler Centre in Wellington. The kids performed as part of an 800 member choir consisting of schools across Wellington. The kids did themselves, the school and their families proud. Thanks to Alisa for coordinating and leading our choir and thanks to Emily, Cherie and Rob for so capably supporting Alisa and their classes.

Since our last newsletter we have welcomed Ava, Ishaan, Joanne and Hayden into Room 18. A warm welcome to you all and your family.

Have a great weekend.

Luis Echegaray

Principal

Reporting Student Progress in 2016

Progress and Anniversary Reporting

Our student achievement reporting timeline for Y1-3 students follows Ministry of Education guidelines requiring the school to report to parents based on students' time at school, rather than calendar years.

The National Standards benchmarks have a clear, expected timeframe to them. They are:

- After 12 months at school - (40 school weeks — around their 6th birthday)
- After 24 months at school - (80 school weeks — around their 7th birthday)
- After 36 months at school - (120 school weeks — around their 8th birthday)

This timeframe is used to report to you twice a year. Reports for year 1-3 students will be made available at the following points:

- An anniversary report around your child's birthday
- A progress report in between at 20 weeks, 60 weeks, and 100 weeks.

Later this term you will be provided with details allowing you electronic access to your child's reports.

Below is a table showing when students' reports will be updated and available to parents. Remember, it depends on their time at school, not traditional calendar years. Reports will be made available as close as possible to the progress/anniversary timeframe.

If your child's birthday is in....	Their Progress Report will go out in...	Their Anniversary Report will go out in...
January	July	December (previous year)*
February	July	December (previous year)*
March	August	March
April	September	April
May	October	May
June	November/December	June
July	January/February	July
August	March	August
September	April	September
October	May	October
November	June	November
December	July	December

- If your child has had a birthday in January or February of this year their end of year report from December 2015 counts as their anniversary report. This is because the teacher from 2015 wrote the report.
- **All Y4-6 students** will receive a mid-year and end of year report against the National Standard appropriate to their time at school.
- If you have any queries feel free to discuss these with the classroom teacher initially, your child's team leader or myself.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Monday, 5 September	Yr 1-6 Cricket awareness (Day 1)
Tuesday, 6 September	Teacher's Union meeting
Thursday, 8 September	Yr 1-6 Cricket awareness (Day 2)
Tuesday, 13 September	Yr 3-6 Girls Futsal Tournament ASB Centre, Kilbirnie
Wednesday, 14 September	Yr 1-6 Football Tournament (Day 1)
Friday, 9 September	Home and School Quiz Night
Thursday, 15 September	Yr 1-6 Football Tournament (Day 2)
Monday, 19 September	BoT meeting at 6pm in Room 15
Friday, 23 September	Last day for Term 3
Monday, 10 October	First day for Term 4
Wednesday, 12 October	Yr 1-6 Touch-Rugby Tournament (Day 1)
Thursday, 13 October	Yr 1-6 Touch-Rugby Tournament (Day 2)

2016 (Term 3/ week 6)

Classroom Plan/ School Organisation

Room 17
Year 1
Jess Flynn

Key:
YELLOW – Totara (Yr 1)
GREEN – Miro (Yr 2)
BLUE – Matai (Yr 3)
RED – Rimu (Yr 4)
PURPLE – Kahikatea (Yrs 5-6)

Room 18
Year 1
Robyn Rae

Room 19
Year 1

DP/ Erica Leggett	Room 6 Year 2 Amanda Roche	Room 5 Year 2 Amy Bos	Room 4 Year 2 Paula McIvor	Room 3 Year 2 Anna Rooney	Room 2 Year 1 Erica Meads
Resource Rooms					

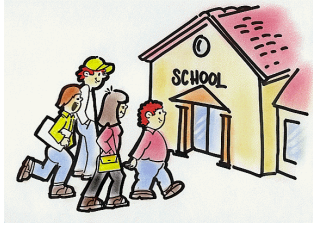
School Office	Resource Room	Staffroom	Room 1 Year 1 Nicola Douthett	Room 8 Year 3 Andrew Parkinson	Room 9 Year 3 Rose Gammie	Room 7 Year 3 Rebekah Ceelen
						DP/ SenCo Felicity Apperley

Principal: Luis Echegaray
Executive Officer: Joanna Ryan
Office Assistant: Kathy Pickering
Teacher aides: Xue Doris Yan, Michelle Foden, Angelita Williams, Amy Iremonger, Helen Roscoe, Asuka Milne, Rachel Yung, Julian Serepisos
Librarian: TBC

Room 16 Year 4 Philippa Matla	Room 10 Year 4 Diana Cloete
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Room 15 Year 6 Alisa Schilder	Room 14 Year 6 Emily Osborn	Room 13 Year 5 Rob Calder	Room 12 Year 5 Cherie Geddes	11 Year 4 Helen Ayres
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SCHOOL NOTICES



Newlands Intermediate School

Newlands Intermediate is holding an Orientation morning for enrolled students on Friday November 11th.

Raroa Normal Intermediate School

New Parents Information Evening is **Wednesday 7 September at 6:00pm** in the Raroa School hall.

Open Days for parents are **Tuesday 6 September and Wednesday 7 September.**

SCHOLASTIC BOOKCLUB: *Orders for issue 6 close on Friday 2nd September. Please place orders on-line through the LOOP set-up with Scholastic Bookclub or give your order to Mrs Ayres in Room 11.*

SICKNESS... if your child is absent from school **please ring in on 478-7074 each day that your child is away from school and leave a clear message** on our answerphone with your child's name, room no. and reason for absence. Alternatively you can email us at office@westpark.school.nz. This will save the office staff valuable time from having to ring parents as we need to ensure that your children are safe each day. Thank you.

If your child has been ill from a vomiting or diarrhoea bug please ensure your child stays home until well and for 48 hours after the last episode of diarrhea or vomiting as per the Ministry of Health guidelines.

SCHOOL LUNCHES – SUBWAY, JOHNSONVILLE ... Remember, lunch orders need to be in by 10 00 am on Thursday morning for lunch on Friday.



Please ensure correct money is in the Subway envelope for your order, no change will be given. Please place your orders in the new Subway drop box located near the office.
Thank you.

ASB SCHOOL BANKING – Remember school banking is on Tuesday. If you have school banking please ensure your deposit envelope is placed in the drop box near the school office on a Tuesday morning.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

GOODTIME MUSIC ACADEMY

MUSIC LESSONS with Goodtime Music Academy are available for just \$12.50 p/w. Students have the opportunity to learn the guitar, ukulele, drums, or keyboard. These are weekly 30min lessons which take place at school within school time for your convenience. To ENROL your child, simply go to goodtimemusicacademy.co.nz Spaces are limited, so get in quick!!

Onslow Kindergarten are holding a '**Back to the 80's**' dance and auction to fundraise for renovations to the children's bathroom. Tickets are on sale now for \$35 each at Video Time in Khandallah. The event is R18, so get a babysitter for the kids and come join in the fun!

Date: Saturday 10 September

Venue: Khandallah Town Hall

Time: 7.30pm till midnight

It's going to be a great night, with some of the highlights being:

- Music by DJ Musical Cheers
- An Auction hosted by guest Auctioneer Mark Sainsbury
- Supper (provided)
- A raffle and silent auction
- Sale of craft beer, wine and non-alcoholic drinks

Johnsonville Tennis Club

Come Play Tennis! Johnsonville Tennis Club provides tennis coaching for pupils aged 8 years & upwards. **Beginners play** on Thursdays from 3.30 – 4.30pm starting in term 4. Registration for new players is on **Sunday 11 September from 10 am – 12 noon at the Tennis Clubrooms, Wanaka St, Johnsonville**. Fees are reasonable, \$105, and it is a lot of fun!

Enquiries to Glenys Cathro stracathrown@gmail.com or tel 478 8113

DO YOU WANT TO GIVE ATHLETICS A GO?

The Olympic Harrier and Athletic Club has it's registration day on **Saturday 10 September from 12pm to 1.30pm at Alex Moore Park, Bannister Avenue, Johnsonville**. If you'd prefer to register online to save you a trip that's an option too. Club nights are held at Grenada North Park in Tawa from the end of October until mid March with athletics activities for under 7s through to 14 years. We also have coaching options for all age groups from 7 years upwards - including college age and adults. All details are at www.olympicjuniors.nz or email Jo at coaching@olympicharriers.org.nz if you have any questions.

Johnsonville 'Spring Clean'

On Saturday 3rd September a Johnsonville 'Spring Clean' is taking place, with the aim of removing loose litter from our streets, helping prevent pollution of our waterways and harbour. Everybody in the community is welcome to join us from 9.30am meeting at the Johnsonville Community Centre.

Drama Holiday Programme

Drama Remedy holiday programmes are a great opportunity to expose your child to the art of drama & speech with our exciting and enjoyable workshops. October Holiday programme will be 3 days of activities based on **Play Production** with the final day on a **guided tour of the St. James' Theatre**. To enrol or for more details contact (04) 478 5962 or 022 027 3316

dramaremedy@gmail.com or visit our website www.dramaremedy.co.nz

PLEASE NOTE: We generally advertise in Community Notices activities that are local and child oriented. We cannot however guarantee the quality of these activities.