



**Newton Central School**  
Te Kura a Rito o Newton



**Matua Bryan Tumuaiki Pānui**

Wiki 1, Kaupeka Ako 4

**Ko Paraire, te 13 o Oketopa**

Kia ora, Kia orana, Talofa Lava, Bula Vinaka, Malo e Lelei, Fakalofa lahi atu, Nihao, Namaste, Chao, Hola, Salam Aleikum and greetings to you all.

We welcomed our new tamariki to our whānau of learning at the beginning of the week with a pōwhiri. The clouds opened up and we had sunshine over our proceedings. Ngā mihi nui ki a Matua Clinton for your mihi on behalf of the manuhiri.

Whanaungatanga is a Māori concept that is hard to define but is embedded into the fabric of our kura and reflected as one of our Pou in our school values. Apart of this kaupapa is our planting of natives into our ngāhere to welcome our new tamariki joining our whānau. Our plants are sourced from the Pourewa Native Nursery at Ngāti Whātua Ōrākei. Our whenua is sewn with the seeds from Mana Whenua. Kohikohi ngā kākano, whakaritea te pārekereke, kia puāwai ngā hua.

Ngā mihi nui Matua Robert and Whaea Daniella for your mahi in replanting down in our ngāhere and supporting our tamariki to plant the mānuka. They have been working on replanting after the drainage works and will be finished by the end of next week. This means that our ngāhere and lower courts will be closed on Tūrei and Wenerei. Site works has been supporting our team to clean up parts of the ngāhere: ka rawe. Māmā Piri joined our kaupapa this morning by planting her own nikau in our ngāhere today.

One way to express rangatiratanga is through self-determination and this is one our pou reflected in our kura values. John Campbell came to our kura inanahi to kōrero around our elections to our tamariki. What an excellent opportunity for our kids. Ka mau te wehi Whaea Claudia for leading his mahi.

Our office queen, Whaea Maryanne, will be finishing at the end of next week. Maryanne has worked at our kura for the past 34 years and during this time has been a huge taonga for us. Maryanne, we just think you are amazing and our kura will have a huge gap when you leave, but we are so happy for you and your next steps into the countryside. Ngā manaakitanga e hoa.

Feel free to contact me on [principal@newton.school.nz](mailto:principal@newton.school.nz) if you have any questions, or make a time with Whaea Maryanne to come into kura to hui.

Ngā mihi nui

Matua Bryan

### **Great North Road Improvements: road closures and detours starting 16.10.2023**

AT will begin roadworks next week which will affect Waima Street. Great North Road will be reduced to one lane of traffic each way starting Monday 16<sup>th</sup> October.

Some parts of Great North Road will be closed and you will need to follow detour routes to access our kura. Aroha mai for the very short notice: this information was shared with me today.

#### **If you have any concerns during this time please contact AT:**

The Project and Business Interface Team

Email: [projects@at.govt.nz](mailto:projects@at.govt.nz)

Phone: 09 930 5090

#### **If you have any queries directly related to the construction, please contact:**

Sally Logan – Stakeholder Liaison Manager

Email: [sally.logan@jfc ltd.co.nz](mailto:sally.logan@jfc ltd.co.nz)

[Construction newsletter is available here](#)

### **Pōtae Season whānau**

Kia Ora whānau! It's pōtae season this term. So make sure you bring a hat and wear it every time you're outside otherwise you'll need to sit in the shade. School Pōtae are available from the school office for \$25.

### **Year 6 Graduation Celebrations**

Please stay tuned for our Year 6 Graduation details but mark the following dates:

- Te Uru Karaka - Friday 1st December, 9:30am
- Pasifika - Thursday 7th December, 6:00pm
- Awahou - Thursday 14th December, 9:00am
- Year 6 Graduation - Friday 15th December, 9:30am

## **Halloween Dress-up and Disco - Turei 31 o Oketopa**

This term we will have a dress-up Halloween day with a Disco running at lunchtime. Koha for the day and we will also have a pre-order sausage sizzle!

### **Term 4: Monday 9th October to Wednesday 20th December**

<b>Week</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Event</b>
Week 2	16 – 20 October	
Week 3	23 – 27 October	<b>Labour Day</b> – Monday 23rd October
Week 4	30 October – 3 November	
Week 5	6 – 10 November	<b>Athletics Day:</b> Y0-3: Wednesday 8th November at NCS  Y4-6: Thursday 9th November at Grey Lynn Park
Week 6	13 – 17 November	<b>Teacher Only Day</b> – Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> November (All Staff)  <b>IC Athletics:</b> Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> November - Takapuna
Week 7	20 – 24 November	Showcase – Friday 24th November  Fiafia – Saturday 25th November
Week 8	27 November – 1 December	
Week 9	4 – 8 December	High School Musical (TBC) Year 5/6
Week 10	11 – 15 December	
Week 11	18 – 20 December	<b>Last day</b> - Wednesday 20th December 3pm finish

### **Centenary update**

Our celebration is coming up soon and we are looking for supermarket voucher donations to help with our event. If you have any questions please contact [centenary@newton.school.nz](mailto:centenary@newton.school.nz) - Matua Mike

