

Newsletter

2 August 2017



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School Focus: Make responsible choices, especially when the weather is wet and we can't use the outdoor spaces and we are inside together a lot.

Kia ora koutou, Ni hao, Talofa Lava, Guten Tag, and Hello to you all!

Last week I neglected to welcome Ruakere Mathieson-Julian and Colton Sampson to Norfolk School in the Sunshine Room. Welcome boys, it is absolutely fantastic to have you with us and what a great start you have both made!



We are also very pleased to have had Mrs Melisa McEwen-Shepherd join the team this term. Melisa is the new teacher in the Sunshine Room and she is also the Junior Team Leader. She has come to us from Auckland and it is wonderful to have her at Norfolk. Mrs Shepherd has really settled well into life in the Sunshine Room and we are looking forward to seeing the collaboration in the Junior School flourish. Please feel free to pop in and introduce yourself to Melisa and help to welcome her to our community.



Fruit Orchard - Last week our keen gardeners, under the expert guidance of Carina McQueen, planted the beginnings of our beautiful Fruit Orchard. We planted fifteen trees, including apples, plums, pears, mandarins and lemons.

These trees were purchased with the kind donations made by fifteen of our school families, staff and wider community. Thank you to all of you who made a donation, we are humbled by your generosity. These trees will be a legacy that keeps on giving to our tamariki/children for generations to come. Name plaques will be made for each tree to acknowledge the donation of each family.



Breaking News! Mark the morning of Thursday August 24th in your calendar because the TVNZ Breakfast Crew are coming to Norfolk School! Thanks to Fonterra, Matty McLean and the Breakfast TVNZ Cameras will be filming live from 6am - 9am right here at our school! Not only that, but they will be cooking breakfast for anyone who comes along for the fun too!

Norfolk Legends:

Well done to the following students who have been demonstrating our community values.

Sunshine Room - Archie Marshall-Kirkwood

Mamaku Room - Brayden Yearbury-Wood

Tui Tree - Elijah Dravitzki

Totara Class - Ashleigh Cooper

Moa Hut - William Palmer

Summit Room - Marco Brown

Hot Lunches - These will continue for the first four weeks of this term and will be prepared so they are ready for the new eating times.

Nga mihi koutou - acknowledgements to you all for your support.

Andrew Georgeson - Principal

General Notices

<u>Year 5/6 Interschool Sports Uniforms</u> - Please return all netball, football and rugby uniforms to school as soon as possible as we will require them for Y7/8 sports this term. Please make sure the uniforms and returned in a named bag.

The Taranaki Toy Library is holding a Children's MONSTER Book Sale on Saturday 16th of September from 9 to 3pm at the Hall of Knox Church in Fitzroy. On their behalf, we are currently collecting any good quality 2nd hand books for children up to the age of 13. If you have any unwanted books that you wish to donate, please drop these off to the school office before the 25th of August. Please do not include colouring-in or activity books unless they are in new condition. To find out more about this book sale please browse our Facebook page under "Children's Monster Book Sale".

PreTeen Pilates

For young ladies aged 10-12 years old. Pilates class Tuesdays 3:30 - 4:15pm Held at the Mamaku Centre, Inglewood. Term cost \$50. Spaces available. Phone Phillippa 021-11-52-156

<u>Inglewood High School Enrolments Year 8</u> - Enrolment interviews for Inglewood High School will be held at Norfolk School on Friday 11 August from 9.30am. Parents need to phone the Norfolk School office as soon as possible to make a time. Interviews will be 30 minutes in duration.



<u>Head Lice</u> - We have become aware that one, or more, children attending Norfolk School have been confirmed to have a head lice infection. We would like to stress that finding a head lice infection is nothing to be concerned about, head lice infections are common in children of school age and are not harmful. We would, however, like to take this opportunity to remind you of the importance of regularly carrying out detection combing to check for the presence of head lice. Don't forget, if you do find head lice

in your child's head, to let all close contacts (including the school) know about it – so everyone can check for head lice. For further information on head lice please speak to your local pharmacist/doctor. Alternatively, you can look at www.headlice.co.nz

<u>Home and School Bull Calf Fundraiser</u> - Would you be willing to raise a bull calf for the Norfolk Home and School? This is a fantastic fundraiser for the Home and School and this year's profits will be spent to improve playground facilities for our children. For more information please ask at the office or contact Tia Huta or any Home and School parent.

School Fees and Donations:

Thank you to the 84 families who have paid their school fees so far this year. Your contributions make a huge difference in terms of the quality learning experiences we can offer for your children. We now have EFTPOS at the office which will be a welcome payment option to many families. We appreciate your prompt payment of these donations to help us to continue providing quality learning programmes for your children.

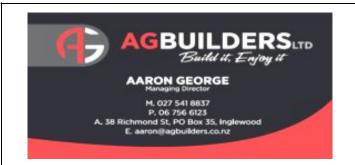
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Dates For Your Calendar:

Tuesday August 8th - Board of Trustees Meeting - All Welcome
Friday 11 August - Inglewood High School Enrolments
Tuesday 15th August - ICAS Maths Exam
Wednesday 16th August - Y7/8 Sevens Rugby Tournament- New Plymouth
Thursday 24th August - Fonterra TVNZ Breakfast

Wednesday 30th August - School Cross Country





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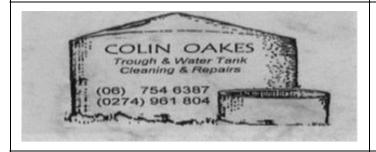


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