



NORFOLK  
SCHOOL

# Newsletter

25 July 2018



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Kia ora koutou, ni hao, talofa lava, guten Tag, sawadee krub, and hello to you all, I hope you all had a great school holiday break and were able to spend quality time with your families.

It has been wonderful to see happy, energetic faces returning to school and we are excited by the fantastic learning opportunities that we have in store this term.

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### Principal and Teacher Strike action - Wednesday August 15th

You will probably be aware that New Zealand primary school teachers and principals have unanimously voted to take strike action on Wednesday August 15th. There is currently a nationwide vote happening to decide whether the strike will be a half day or a full day strike. We will know by next week the outcome of this vote.

We understand that this action will cause inconvenience to families, for which we apologise. We feel very strongly however, that our education system is facing a serious shortage of teachers which is caused by uncompetitive salary and workload issues.

We ask that our community support us in this action, which we truly believe is in the best interests of future generations of our children.



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### New Entrant Enrolments for 2019

It's really important that we know about all of our new entrants who will be starting next year so that we can plan their transition to school effectively. If you live within our school zone and have a 4 year old who will be starting school in 2019, please complete the enrolment pack if you haven't already done so.

Contact the office or Mr Georgeson for more information.

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### Inglewood High School Enrolments for 2019

Enrolment interviews for Inglewood High School will be held at Norfolk School on Wednesday 1 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. Thank you.

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### Sporting Successes

We have a number of students who have made representative sporting teams this winter season.

**Adam** - Taranaki U13 Rep Hockey

**Ethan, Cameron and Thomas** - Ross Brown Central Rugby

**Savana, Jacob, Taihua, TeWaikaukau, Tyla** all trialled for the Taranaki Māori U10's Rugby League Team over the holidays. All of these trialists will be competing in the upcoming tournament.

Wiremu also trialled for the Taranaki Māori U13 team.

A former Norfolk student, **Samantha Cooper** represented Taranaki at the North Island Tournament over the holidays and was then selected in the North Island U14 Tournament Team! Congratulations Samantha.



## Year 6 /7 Lead 2018 Conference

Next Friday August 3rd, 10 of our Year 6 and 7 aspiring leaders will be attending the Lead 2018 conference in New Plymouth. This will be an action packed day hearing from inspirational local leaders from all walks of life. Senior teachers will select the 10 representatives and parents will be informed this week.

## Year 5 & 6 Camp - Term 4

The camp for our Year 5 and 6 learners this year is at Vertical Horizons on Everett Road from Monday December 3 to Wednesday December 5. (This has been changed from the dates previously advertised). The cost of the camp is: \$180.00 per student. If you would like to set up payments please contact Paula in the office. We will have a camp meeting in the coming weeks to discuss more details and possible fund-raising.



## Notifying Student Absence

Our number one priority is ensuring the safety of all children in our care. It is really important that we account for the attendance of every child every day. If your child is away, please contact the school office as early as possible.

## Different people collecting children

At times, we all need to make arrangements for the collection of our children that are different from usual. If you are arranging someone new to collect your child, please let us know at the office so that we can be sure that you have made the arrangement. We appreciate your support in keeping all of our children safe at all times.

**Norfolk Home & School Bobby Calf Fundraiser:** We are asking for farmers to donate bobby calves to the school. If you are willing to donate please contact Paula Good – 0274139425 for more information. Thank you for your support!

An advertisement for the 'Skool Loop' app. It features a white dog wearing a green umbrella and black boots. The text reads 'Download our School App this winter'. Below the dog are icons for Newsletter, Absentee, Notices, Instant notifications, Cancellations, Events, Events, Notices, Instant notifications, Absentees, Newsletters, and Permission slips. On the right, it says 'Simple free download: In Google Play and App Store search 'Skool Loop' and choose our school once installed.' and includes logos for Google Play and the App Store.

## Norfolk Hall AGM

This meeting is now scheduled for August 15th at the Norfolk Hall. All welcome, please come along and support the continuation of our community hall. Any queries please contact Paula Marshall 021 1363893.

## Dates For Your Calendar:

**Wednesday August 1st** - Inglewood High School Year 8 Enrolments@Norfolk

**Monday August 6th** - Home and School Meeting - 7:00pm - All Welcome

**Tuesday August 7th** - Board of Trustees Meeting - 6:30pm - All Welcome


**Wednesday August 15th** - Teacher and Principal Strike Action

**Thursday August 16th** - School Photos

**Tuesday August 21st** - Norfolk Cross Country

**Thursday August 23rd** - Year 7/8 7's Rugby Tournament





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