



NORFOLK  
SCHOOL

# Newsletter

8 August 2018



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Kia ora koutou, ni hao, talofa lava, guten tag, sawadee krub, and hello to you all,

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

By now you will be aware that New Zealand primary school teachers and principals will be taking strike action on Wednesday August 15th. **It has now been confirmed this strike will be for the full day.**

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.

**As notified in the letter we sent home last Friday afternoon, Norfolk School will be closed on Wednesday August 15th.**



The Inglewood Community of Learning

is excited to present an opportunity to hear

## Frances Valintine



Fern Lodge, Inglewood: 5.30 - 7.00pm

Thursday 30th August

*Frances Valintine (CNZM) is a passionate educator and technologist. For over 20 years she has been committed to shifting education and business practice to respond to the future of work and industry.*

This is an invitation for parents, teachers, employers or those with an interest in the future of education, to hear about where education is heading in the very near future. We look forward to seeing you there.

We encourage our parents and whanau to join us for this informative, future focused session.



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**Congratulations Mr Lewis!** We congratulate Avon Lewis on being called into the Taranaki Bulls Rugby Squad as a full-time member for the next four weeks. This means Avon will be taking leave from his teaching role with us for a few weeks. We are excited to see your successes on the field. Give it heaps! Mr Mike Packman will be working alongside Mr Baker and Mrs Telfer in the senior team while Avon is away. Welcome to Norfolk Mike.

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### Norfolk Legends:

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

**Sunshine Room:** Olivia Kingston & Thomas Palmer

**Mamaku Room:** Sophia Dettling & Lily Grigg

**Tui Tree:** Kash Lindsay & Harlan Leathers

**Totara Class:** Caitlyn Hunger & Chris Chambers

**Moa Hut:** Leigha Moffitt & Mya Mitchell

**Summit Room:** Hunter Awahou & Cameron Appert

## Norfolk School Cross Country - Monday August 20th

A dedicated crew of event organisers from the Senior Team have been working with Mr Lewis to plan our upcoming Cross Country event. You can expect some changes this year to make it even more fun and inclusive of spectators as well. Watch this space!



## Calf Competition Opportunity

Although disappointing that we are unable to have calf events at our Show Day this year, the Taranaki Calf Championship is offering a poster project and on-farm judging this year. This is a great opportunity for those who are still keen to enter competitive calf competitions.

We will hopefully be able to display any posters at our own Show Day as well. More information is available at the school office.

## 2018 BIG AROHA TARANAKI LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE By Genaya & Amelia



Ten of our Year 6 & 7 leaders were picked to attend the Big Aroha 2018 Leadership Conference in New Plymouth last Friday. This was a great experience for our growing young leaders. We were inspired by a number of great speakers including: Mark Armstrong (The Slacks), Morgan Bamford (Champion Highland Dancer), Josh Hickford (Cancer Survivor and Survivor NZ TV Series), Annalee Muggeridge (Makeup Artist), Shane Wallace Hoskin (Kenpo 5.0), Kendra



Cocksedge (Black Ferns Rugby), and Liz Alexander (Motivational Speaker). These speakers all hailed from Taranaki and had their very own personal experiences to share.

Each speaker left us with a key message or quote to take away with us, a message that will help us reach our potential as future leaders. Some of these messages were: Anyone can achieve anything when you chase your dreams and don't give up. Believe in yourself. Potential is an unused strength. Words are thoughts and thoughts are power. Surround yourself with like minded and positive people. Be resilient. Mark Armstrong (The Slacks and an ex-pupil of Norfolk School) taught us that the way you talk to yourself in your mind, shapes you. Words are thoughts and thoughts are power. He said, 'If you have a thought you can *catch it, check it, and change it.*' Liz Alexander left us with three key tips: Be friendly, find common ground and be kind. She said, 'People won't remember what you do or say, but will remember how you made them feel.'

Each speaker inspired us to become future leaders, to work hard to reach our potential, and to never give up.

## Norfolk Home & School Bobby Calf Fundraiser:

We are asking for farmers to donate bobby calves to the school.

This is a very simple process, we provide you with special tags and you send them off as usual from your gate.

If you are willing to donate please contact Paula Good – 0274139425 for more information. Thank you for your support!

## Dates For Your Calendar:

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

**Thursday August 16th** - School Photos

**Thursday August 16th** - McLeod Shield Rugby Tournament- NPL

**Monday August 20th** - Norfolk School Cross Country

**Tuesday August 21st** - Hurlstone Cup Netball Tournament - Day 1 NPL

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

**Thursday August 30th** - McLeod Shield Rugby Tournament - Day 2

**Tuesday September 4th** - Inglewood Cluster Cross Country

**Tuesday September 11th** - Inglewood Cluster Soccer Tournament - Y5-8

**Wednesday September 26th** - Taranaki Cross Country - Hawera



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