



NORFOLK
SCHOOL

Newsletter

24 October 2018



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

School Focus: To display Pride (Whakapehapeha) in all we do - In sports, our learning, Show Day events and activities and in our environment. We take pride in all our achievements

Show Day procedures for tomorrow - Some important information for Parents and Children:

We are super excited about Show Day tomorrow. Children and staff have put in a huge amount of work to prepare and despite not having calves this year, we are looking forward to a fantastic day with some new attractions as well.

Classroom access on the day - Show Day is an entirely outside learning experience for the whole day. Because of this, the school buildings will be locked for most of the day, including before school. Children are encouraged to keep their school bags with them for the day so that they have everything they need. The senior toilets will be open to access at the rear of the main building. Following the Auctions and raffle draws, we will open the classrooms so that families can view the Mix-up Day creations.

Evening Viewing - The school will also be open for families to view all indoor exhibits from 7pm till 8.30pm on Thursday evening.

Indoor exhibits - These will be available for the public to view all day in the new covered area in front of the junior school. Parents and whanau can feel free to browse the displays at any time that suits.

Senior School Market Day Stalls - Following the raffle draws and auctions, our Senior students will be manning their market stalls. There are a wide variety of goods on sale so don't forget to bring your spending money!

Weather - The forecast is for showers in the morning, followed by rain later (hopefully after we are finished!) A raincoat or umbrella might be a good idea! It is highly unlikely that we will cancel.

Sunhat season is now upon us. Can parents please ensure that their children have a school sunhat by next week at the very latest. We are aware that some Year 8's may not have school sunhats anymore. These students may have another bucket style hat until the end of the year. **All other children are required to have a Norfolk School Suhat.** These are available at the school office.

A huge thanks to Claire Flynn who came in to school yesterday with her sewing machine and sewed name tags on for any children who wanted them. Thanks Claire, this will really help with keeping track of our hats!

Monster Working Bee - Sunday November 4th

Last year we had a hugely successful community Working Bee and we are looking forward to completing some fantastic projects again on November 4th. We have a range of projects to suit everyone's interests and skills.

Some projects we have in mind are:

- Boardwalk construction in our new natural play area behind the pool with Mr G.
- Clearing a bank area and planting shrubs and flaxes
- Clearing a space for a Harakeke (weaving flax) grove and planting our special varieties of harakeke with Vicki.
- Sorting and clearing out resources and rubbish with Mr Miller.
- Moving and Spreading bark mulch

We truly appreciate our community support and hope that you are able to give us a few hours of your valuable time to make Norfolk School an even better place for our children.

Ministry of Education Consultation: Draft Disability and Learning Support Action Plan

Consultation on the draft Disability and Learning Support Action Plan closes 31 October 2018. This is your opportunity to have a say on proposed actions to drive progress towards an inclusive education system, where the achievement, progress and participation of children and young people with additional learning needs, including disabilities, is valued and supported.

You can provide feedback through the online survey. Visit the [EdConvo](#) website for details of the draft Action Plan and survey.

Beyond National Standards - Reporting to Parents-

Believe it or not, teachers are already making a start on end of year reporting information for parents and caregivers. As you will probably be aware, it is no longer compulsory for schools to report to parents against the National Standards. We will, however continue to report on reading, writing and maths progress against the New Zealand Curriculum levels (the National Standards were always based on these anyway).

The tools, tests and assessments that teachers use to assess learning are exactly the same as before.

Through a range of standardised testing (tests that are the same in every school) and informal observations, we build a clear picture of what each child can do.

In addition to this, we also report against STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Maths), Health & PE and Te Reo Māori.

We also report on the National Key Competencies not covered by the core areas. These include Relating to Others, Managing Ourselves, Thinking and Participating and Contributing.

Reports will come home to you at the end of term.

Please feel free to make contact with your child's teacher if you have any questions prior to that. Open communication is the key to success and we always aim to work together with you as a partnership.

Community Notices:

Inglewood Athletic Club

1st Registration/Opening Night – 17th October 2018

2nd Registration Night – 24th October 2018

Athletics Starts at 6:30 pm (Registrations open at 6.10pm)

New Athletic Track – Elliot Street

Everyone welcome from 1-year olds to seniors (Men and Women)

Contact: Sandra Moratti Ph: 06 7566657

Inglewood Junior Cricket registrations are now open for Yrs 3 - 8.

All registrations are online. The link is <https://registrations.crichq.com/register/35707>. For further information please contact Megan & Jamie Brocklehurst via inglewoodjuniorcricket@gmail.com or on the Inglewood Junior Cricket Facebook page.

Weetbix Tryathlon - Tuesday 26 March, 2019 - entries are now open online for this iconic event. The Tryathlon always sells out so we recommend that you register now to avoid disappointment. Entries are all online and are separate from the school. You can enter by clicking on [this link](#) or visit www.tryathlon.co.nz

Dates For Your Calendar:

Wednesday October 24th - Mix Up Day/Indoor Exhibits to school by 1.00pm

Thursday October 25th - Show Day

Tuesday October 30th - Show Day Postponement Day (Outdoor events only)

Tuesday October 30th - Board of Trustees Meeting - 6:30pm in the staffroom - All Welcome

Sunday November 4th - School Working Bee - 9am - 1pm - All Welcome!

Tuesday November 20th - Inglewood Cluster Athletics - TET Stadium

Tuesday December 11th - End of Year Showcase - Inglewood High School Hall

Friday December 14th - Term 4 Ends





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