NEWSTEAD

MODEL COUNTRY SCHOOL

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Kia ora koutou,

We are very happy to announce to everyone that Newstead Model Country School has a **new Presiding Member/ Chairperson for our Board of Trustees**, congratulations **Nicky Parsons-Roberts.** Nicky has two children at Newstead School; Neve in Year 6/ Ruru and Finn in Year 5/ Kiwi. I'm really looking forward to working closely with Nicky around the governance and strategic planning for Newstead during 2024. We have **two vacant positions** we are wanting to fill for our BOT this term. You will have received an email from the Board of Trustees today informing you about this process. If anyone is interested in knowing more about what the responsibilities of being a Board Member are please make a time to come and chat with me and we welcome expressions of interest.

WHAKATIPURANGA SUCCESSION

Māku te ra tō ana; Kei akoe te urunga ake o te rā Let mine be the setting sun; Yours is the dawning of a new day

Today we hosted our first mihi whakatau/ welcoming ceremony for 2024. It was wonderful to have everyone together and "officially" welcome new students and their whānau from Term 4 2023 & 2024 to our kura. Oliver and Charlotte represented our Kaunihera (student council) beautifully, sharing their heartfelt whaikōrero.





It's great to have so many parents/ caregivers signed up with **eTAP** this week. Teachers will start to post about learning, class news and reminders from next week so please remember to load the App onto your phones and use the logins you've been sent via email to ensure you have access to all communications. Any difficulties, please call in or contact the office and we'll do our best to solve the problem.



HOMESTAY FAMILIES WANTED Deadline is Monday 26th Feb for anyone still interested in putting their name forward to be a **Newstead School Homestay Family** for the Chinese students we are hoping to host at the end of the term.

Please fill out this form Newstead Homestay Family Application Form

Next Tuesday 20th Feb is our Term 1 Whānau/ Family BBQ; 5.30-7.00pm

The staff and I are looking forward to seeing our families here at school and spending an evening catching up and connecting with each other. Bring your own picnic or buy your dinner from our amazing PTA.

- BBQ food, beverages and juices are available to purchase
- Our senior students will be running a variety of fundraising activities to raise money towards our upcoming camp (so please bring some \$ to support them with this)
- The pool will be open and sports equipment will be available for games on the field.





Enjoy the weekend everyone, Mā tē wā/ Until next time Meg Campbell

UPCOMING DATES:

February 2024

20 Family BBQ Night from 5.30pm

March 2024

7 School Swimming@ Matangi School

14 Country Cluster Swimming

@ Tamahere School TBC

26-28 Yr 4-6 School Camp

29 No School - Easter Weekend

April 2024

3 Return to School

12 Last Day Term 1

29 First Day Term 2

Term Dates 2024

Term tahi/one 30 January – 12 April

Easter 29 March (Good Friday) – 2 April

(return to school 3 April)

Term rua/two 29 April – 5 July

Term toru/three 22 July 27 - September

Term whā/four 14 October – 13 December



Newstead School Whānau/ Family BBQ

When: Tuesday 20th February 5.30-7pm Where: At Newstead School

Please join us for our first 2024 school community get together. It is an opportunity to chat with the staff, share kai together, meet other families in our community and have a fun evening picnicking & playing at school. All whanau are welcome from 5.30pm.

What to bring:

- \$\$ for purchasing burgers, sausages, donuts, juices and drinks
- \$ for participating in student led fundraising activities
- · A family picnic blanket
- Togs |
- ★ Our Newstead PTA will be selling food and beverages.
- ★ Some Year 5&6 students will be running fundraising activities for camp
- ★ The school pool will be open
- ★ Sports equipment will be available as well as the playground areas
- ★ Come and set yourselves up out on the field



ALL PROCEEDS FROM THIS EVENT WILL GO TOWARDS SUPPORTING OUR EDUCATION OUTSIDE THE CLASSROOM PROGRAMMES.



WHANAU BBQ

Gluten-Free Doughnuts

At the family BBQ we will have hoops and scoops glazed-doughnuts for sale.

If you would like GF doughnuts, they need to be ordered and paid for in advance.

Please message Trineka: 021813133

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SchoolDocs updates, modifies, or creates policies in response to changes in legislation or Ministry guidelines.

We invite you to visit the site at: https://newstead.schooldocs.co.nz (note that there's no "www."). or CLICK HERE

Our username is "newstead" and password "oaktree".







CELEBRATING SUCCESS BEYOND THE SCHOOL GATE:

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COMMUNITY NEWS:

Waikato District Council Newsletter - 8 February 2024

Parenting Helpline

Free, all ages, all issues. 9am-9pm 7 days. Advice, support and strategies on any parenting challenges. Ph: 0800 568 856. www.parenthelp.org,nz

Children's Ear Clinic - There is now a shortcut for you to access the current children's ear clinic programme. These will now not be circulated each school term as we have previously done Click Here

Single Parent Services - Website





Hi,

I am a registered music teacher and have been teaching for over 40+ years in Hamilton. I enjoy teaching children from a young age and seeing them thrive and progress as they learn music.

I teach piano and theory but I am also involved in barbershop singing with the Waikato Rivertones as Assistant Director.

My contact number is 0277659866 and email is leannekerry@xtra.co.nz

Leanne Wheeler

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