



## NORTH LOBURN SCHOOL WEEKLY NEWS

Vision: To nurture well-rounded citizens of the future with a lifelong passion for learning.

Welcome  
back to the  
start of the  
2018 school  
year.



### Welcome to Week 1 / Term 1 2018 - Tuesday 30th January

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**Our Year 5-6 Touch team - The Mustangs!**

### Welcome Back

I would like to extend a very warm welcome to everyone as we start the 2018 school year. I hope that you have all managed to find some time to yourself and that you have had a good break. If you managed to get away I trust the weather was good and allowed time for you all to do your favourite things.

The holidays have certainly gone all too fast. It has been a busy time for our school with the building work going on through the break. I am very pleased to be able to share that the redevelopment of Kahikatea and Kauri is 95% complete. There are a couple of small jobs to be done and these will be ticked off over the next week or so. These classrooms have new carpet, new lighting and new doors that allow them to be opened up into a new shared space. The old toilets have been turned into a space where we will house our new library. I am hopeful that this will be up and running within the next couple of weeks.

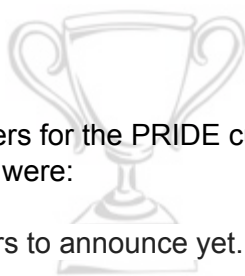
I would especially like to welcome Lynda Selwood to our staff. Lynda has already made a positive impression on our school. She has her Rimu learning space looking great. It is going to be lovely having her with us for this year.

To our new families and students who have just started - a very warm welcome. We are excited to have you with us and look forward to getting to know you all and sharing your children's learning journeys with you.

Finally - our theme for this year is 'On a Journey'. You may have seen the staff dressed up this morning in this theme. We are excited to be sharing the learning journey with your children and with our community.

Ngā mihi nui, *Darryn Ward*

## PRIDE CUP WINNERS



The winners for the PRIDE cups last week were:

No winners to announce yet.



No winner yet.

## Giga's Quote of the week!



**Train your mind to see the good in everything. Positivity is a choice. The happiness of your life depends on the quality of your thoughts.**

### Y4-8 Summit Walk

All Year 4-8 parents should have received an email regarding the trip to Mt Grey on Friday 9th February. Please respond to the **Google form by this Thursday 1st February**. If you did not receive a form please contact Anne Hughes.

### Year 4-8 Science and Maths certificates/badges

If your child is interested in completing one of these certificates/badges for two Summit Challenges please respond to the relevant Google form by Friday 9th February. If you did not receive this form please contact your classroom teacher.

### Basketball - Year 5-8

An email was sent out from Mrs Pettigrew to all Year 5-8 families with information about the coming basketball season. If your child is interested in playing basketball this year for school in Year 5-8 please ensure that you respond to the email as soon as possible. If you have not received an email and your child would still like to play, then please email Mrs Pettigrew with your response.

### Miniball

Mrs Hughes has sent out an email to our Year 3 and 4 families with information about miniball. If your child is interested in playing miniball this year for school please ensure that you respond to the email as soon as possible. If you have not received an email and your child would still like to play, then please email Mrs Hughes with your response.

### School Pool - Safety Reminder

It has been a very busy season for our pool with most days seeing it being used well. Many thanks to those parents who have helped to maintain and check the chemical levels over the holidays. Without your help we would not be able to keep the pool open.

Over the last couple of days some users of the pool have been moving the tiered seating to create a platform to jump off. I would like to remind all users of our pool that the agreement that was signed when keys were purchased clearly outlines the rules of **no bombing or diving**. These are also on the fence.

I would respectfully ask that the seating is left alone and that the rules for use are followed. These rules are set for health and safety reasons. Should an accident occur as the result of people jumping and diving into the pool then we would be forced to close the pool while an investigation took place meaning that other users would not have access to the pool.

The school pool is a valuable asset for our school and community. Please be respectful of the rules that are in place so that we can all continue to have access to the pool.

## Our School Values and Vision

As we start a new year it is a good opportunity to go over the school values and vision statement, especially given the fact that we have some new families and teachers in our school.

In 2017 our values were reviewed and reduced to 5. You will often hear our teachers talking about these in class and trying to reinforce them with the children. They are:

**Perseverance**

**Respect**

**Integrity**

**Diversity**

**Excellence**

Our vision statement is:

*To nurture well-rounded citizens of the future with a lifelong passion for learning.*

As a school we place a great deal of importance on our values and vision statement. It is our expectation that our children will be demonstrating these values in everything they do here at school. We are certainly grateful for the support our families give in also discussing and encouraging these values at home as well.

## Twilight Football

Over the last few years we have had a number of teams entered in the Twilight Football competition on Monday nights at Waimak. If your child is interested in playing this year then please email your child's details to me and I will pass these onto to the organisers for our school. All the information you need to know is listed here.



### 2018 Term 1 Monday Twilight School Football Competition

The competition will begin on **Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February**, and run for 6 weeks, finishing on Monday 26<sup>th</sup> March.

Subject to entries, games will be played between 3:45pm and 6pm with three kick off times (3:45pm, 4:30pm and 5:15pm). Games will be held at Maria Andrews Park in Rangiora.

We have given schools the option to play Year 4's in either a Yr 3 & 4 comp or Yr 4-6 comp, and the Year 6's in either the Yr 4-6 or Yr 6-8 comp.

We hope this provides sufficient flexibility.

If you could only enter a 7-a-side Yr 6-8 team please let us know, as we could still consider putting this section onto a junior sized pitch with smaller numbers per team.

There will be 4 sections as follows:

Year 0, 1 & 2 – playing 5-a-side, max of 8 players per team – ½ junior pitch  
Year 3 & 4 – playing 5-a-side, max of 8 players per team – ½ junior pitch  
Year 4, 5 & 6 – playing 7-a-side, max of 10 players per team – junior pitch  
Year 6, 7, & 8 – playing 9-a-side, max of 12 players per team – intermediate pitch

**Entry fees will increase slightly (first time in 2 yrs) for 2018 per team (GST inclusive)**

Year 0,1,2 teams \$110      Year 3,4 teams \$110

Year 4-6 teams \$135      Year 6-8 teams \$160

Schools will be invoiced in the first 2 weeks of the competition.

Players are asked to wear shin pads as these are compulsory under FIFA laws.

Once again we will have prizepacks up for grabs for winning schools to support football and sport in your school.

Each team will require a manager to co-ordinate the team.

An email address and contact mobile number for this person would be helpful to ensure updates to draws or cancellations are communicated with teams.

We will again have the support of our WUFC youth players to referee matches.

We look forward to receiving your entries.

**To enter:**

**Please forward: your school name, team names, and sections (Year group) to:**  
[waimakunited@xtra.co.nz](mailto:waimakunited@xtra.co.nz) by Monday 12th February

## Chinese School of Canterbury

A fun and interesting FREE Chinese course on every Monday from 4:30 to 5:30pm at my home (51 Station Road, North Loburn) to prepare a troupe to perform at the Chinese Lantern Festival in Christchurch on 10th & 11th March 2018.

Please Contact: Gillian Rivers

021 1800507 or 03 3128693 Email: [csocgr@gmail.com](mailto:csocgr@gmail.com)

## **Wanted!**

4 bar stools for the standing tables in Totara.

Do you have any old bar stools lurking in your garage?

Have you updated your furniture lately?

Would you like to update your bar stools? - Now is the time, because we will take your old stools off your hands.

Please let Mrs Pettigrew know if you can help out.

Thank you,  
Students of Totara

## **E Mac computers for purchase.**

We have 3 desktop eMac computers for purchase at school. They are similar to the one shown in the picture below. They are an all in one unit with a keyboard. We have no use for these machines now and are looking to see if any members of our community would be interested in them. We have not put a set price on them and would be happy for a donation to be made to the school.



## **Working Bee Date and Garden Help**

Over the last few weeks the mixture of rain and heat has meant that our weeds have become a bit rampant around the school. Our gardener has been working hard in the break trying to keep the school looking tidy however the weather has made this an almost impossible task.

We are planning a working bee at school on Sunday 18th February. This is a week before the Flower Show. This will enable us to get the grounds looking great. In the meantime, if you would be willing to give up a little of your time to help us get on top of some of the more tricky areas, we would certainly appreciate your help. Please contact me at school for more info.

## **Repeat of email on 'Temperature'**

I have included the email that I sent out yesterday to families about the possibility of extreme heat:

*Yes, the heat is forecast for this week! The Ministry of Education guidelines operate on **indoor temperatures** where the ideal indoor temperature is 18-25 degrees. The documentation shows there will be concerns about safety when the **indoor temperature is over 28 degrees and approaches 32 degrees**. We are able to cool some of our spaces, but not all. If the indoor temperature is approaching that we will be putting alerts out via email, Facebook and the website inviting parents to collect children from school early.*

*Unless advice is given from the Ministry of Education it is unlikely we would close the school at the start of the day due to forecast heat. If you are overly concerned with the forecast temperature on any day you have the discretion as parents to keep your child at home for the day or to collect them from school during the day. (contact us though to let us know!).*

*Precautionary measures you can take is ensuring your child does not wear a jersey when high temperatures are forecast, has their school hat to wear outside and brings a water bottle (which we actively encourage any day). Freezing or part freezing a water bottle means the water stays cooler during the day as it thaws which may be nice for the children on days where temperatures approach or exceed 30 degrees.*

**Remember that hats must be worn throughout Term 1**



## Pita Pit Lunches

Last year Pita Pit lunches were available at school for Thursday lunch. This is a great deal as they are made at the shop and normally delivered to us (depending on numbers ordered).

Ordering is all done online.

Please check out the info below and place an order as the school does benefit from what we order.

The online ordering system is very easy to use. The instructions on the advert will point you in the right direction.

If you have any questions about the Pita Pit Lunches then please contact me at school.

**Home and School are excited to introduce Pita Pit lunch Thursday!**



Every Thursday you can order a pita with delicious healthy fillings online that will be delivered to your children for lunch.

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Register by going to [www.lunchonline.co.nz](http://www.lunchonline.co.nz) and follow 4 easy steps to get started.

- 1: Register an account
- 2: Add member/s including your child's name, school and classroom
- 3: make a payment so you have funds in your account before you order
- 4: select your lunch and place an order

You only need to register once and you can order for every Thursday after.

## School Desks for Sale

We have a large number of traditional style school desks in storage. We are looking to sell around 20-30 of them. They are currently stacked without the legs on them. They have lift up lids and are in good condition. The legs are in varying sizes meaning you can choose what might suit you. We are asking \$25 for each desk. These desks would be great in the children's bedrooms or a study.

If you are interested please contact Darryn at school.

## Activities at School

Throughout the year your child may be offered opportunities to participate in a range of extra-curricular activities. This is one of the real strengths of the school as there is always something being offered. It is one of the keys behind our Mission statement which talks about...*well rounded citizens with a lifelong passion for learning.*

Unfortunately some of these activities may clash with other choices the children want to make. In a school this size this is inevitable. We will certainly be taking the time to talk to the students about making careful decisions and ensuring they have all the information they need to ensure they make the right one.

We would appreciate you taking the time to talk with your children when options for these extra activities are sent out.

## Meet the Teacher - Monday 5th February

Our Meet the Teacher evening is being held on Monday 5th February.

The timetable for the evening is:

- 6 - 6.20pm (Kowhai and Totara class meeting)
- 6.20 - 6.40pm (Manuka / Rimu class meeting)
- 6.40 - 7.00pm (Kahikatea and Kauri class meeting)
- 7 - 7:30pm (Kahikatea and Kauri camp meeting)

Teachers will use this time to introduce themselves, their programme, expectations, outline opportunities and to answer any questions you may have

# North Loburn School - Calendar for January / February

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>29/1</b> Teacher Only Day	<b>30/1</b> Children start back at school	<b>31/1</b>	<b>1/2</b> Bus monitors training and bus travellers training (2-3)	<b>2/2</b>
<b>5/2</b> Meet the teacher evening. (see info in newsletter)	<b>6/2</b> Waitangi Day	<b>7/2</b> Year 7 and 8 Tech (first session (12 - 3)) Sports boys 9 - 12	<b>8/2</b> Garden to Table - Manuka Year 7 - 8 Boys cricket comp vs Ashgrove (2 of our students)	<b>9/2</b> Summit Walk Mt Grey (info has been emailed out)
<b>12/2</b>	<b>13/2</b> REACH - surfing trip	<b>14/2</b> Year 7 and 8 Tech	<b>15/2</b>	<b>16/2</b> <b>18/2 - Working bee</b>
<b>19/2</b> PAT testing week	<b>20/2</b> NLS swimming sports (12-2:30)	<b>21/2</b> Year 7 and 8 Tech Sports BOys 9-12	<b>22/2</b> Enviro Camp Garden to Table -Kahikatea	<b>23/2</b> Enviro Camp
<b>26/2</b> Flower Show - info to come PAT testing week	<b>27/2</b> Tri -Schools swimming 12-20 - 2:30	<b>28/2</b> Year 7 and 8 Tech	<b>1/3</b>	<b>2/3</b>



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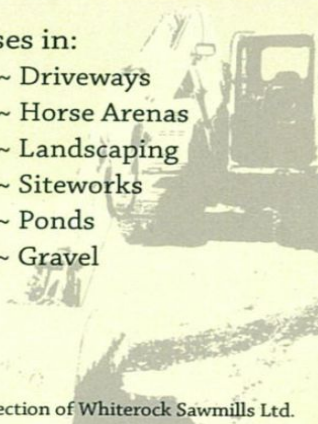
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