# NORTH STREET SCHOOL NEWSCHOOL

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Kia ora e te whānau,

Welcome back to Term 3!

Another busy and exciting term lies ahead of us. This term, our learning focus is Tūrangawaewae me te Kaitiakitanga – exploring our sense of belonging and responsibility as guardians of our local environment. Tamariki will be learning about protection, conservation, and the importance of connecting to the whenua and wai around us.

As part of our own professional learning, staff will be participating in a Teacher Only Day on Friday 22nd August. On this day, we will be travelling to the Ruahine Ranges to follow the path of the Oroua River and learn the pūrākau (stories) connected to this important awa. This learning is deeply tied to the history and whenua of Ngāti Kauwhata, and will support us in weaving more localised knowledge into our teaching.

We're looking forward to a term filled with meaningful learning and growing our connection to the environment and our place within it.

Ngā manaakitanga,

Whaea Jo - Principal

#### Sport

Our Term 3 sports season has begun with the continuation of Netball and Basketball, Feilding Hockey starts next week. Let's keep that awesome team spirit going! Please stay committed to your team, have fun, and always show your appreciation for the dedicated coaches and supportive parents. Quick reminder: sports fees are now due, as sport is user pays.

#### **Staff Updates**

We're excited to welcome Byron Barker back to our staff, who is once again teaching woodwork one day a week. Katelyn Ngarotata-Hansen is now the teacher in Room 12 having taken over from Whaea Kaeleigh who we farwelled at the end of term 2. Welcome back to Viona Henry, who is part of our wonderful team of Teacher Aides.

We celebrated Whaea Kaeleigh and her whanau as well as Whaea Alyssa at our last assembly and trust their next chapters have started well.

As always if you have any questions or concerns please contact your classroom teacher, their doors are always open. Alternatively, please make a time to meet with myself.

Ka kite anō

Paora Pomare – Deputy Principal













#### **Board News**

I would like to extend my thanks to our current Board of Trustees, Perenara Himiona, Rebecca Braga, Joanna Amner, Viona Henry and Staff Rep, Paora Pomare, for their incredible dedication and hard work over the past three years. Their commitment to our school community has been unwavering, and their efforts have been instrumental in guiding us through various initiatives and ensuring the best possible environment for our students. We are fortunate to have such a dedicated group of individuals, and we are delighted that most current board members will be re-standing for their positions. Your continued passion and expertise are invaluable to our school's ongoing success.

Last weekend, most of our Board members attended the Te Whakarōpūtanga 35th Annual Conference. This was a fantastic opportunity for them to focus on their journey as governance professionals, strengthening their abilities as board members and bringing back valuable insights to further benefit our school. I thank them for taking time away from their families to invest in making our Board stronger.



#### Te Whakarōpūtanga Kaitiaki Kura o Aotearoa

New Zealand School Boards Association

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#### **Current Projects**

We're excited to update you on a couple of significant projects currently underway that will greatly benefit our students and enhance our school environment:

New STEAM Hub: We're thrilled to confirm that the plans for our new STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Mathematics) Hub are progressing well! This state-of-the-art facility will provide an innovative and collaborative space for our students to explore, create, and learn across these vital disciplines. The project is currently out to tender, and we anticipate sharing more exciting news on its development in the near future. In the meantime enjoy the below visual.

Nature Walk: We're also in the process of developing a wonderful Nature Walk around our school field. This initiative will create an engaging outdoor learning space, allowing students to connect with nature, learn about local flora and fauna, and enjoy a peaceful environment. We believe this addition will be a fantastic resource for both educational activities and mindfulness breaks.

As Presiding Member I appreciate your continued support as we continue working to bring these exciting projects to fruition. We'll keep you updated on their progress in future newsletters.

#### Phil Payton

#### **Presiding Member**









#### North Street School

#### School Board Elections

#### Parent Election Notice

Nominations are open for the election of 5 parent representatives to the school board.

All eligible voters will receive a nomination form by email. Use this form to nominate yourself or someone in your community. You will also receive a nomination cover letter calling for nominations. Information on who is not eligible to be a board member is provided with this notice, and the nomination form.

If you need more nomination forms, contact the school office.

Nominations close at **noon** on 6 August 2025. You may provide a signed candidate statement and photograph with your nomination. The electoral roll is held at the school and can be viewed during normal school hours.

As nominations are received, there will be a list of candidates' names kept at the school up until election day, which you can view.

Voting closes at 4pm on 10 September 2025.

Kim Green

**Returning Officer** 

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Our bank account details for online payments:

#### North Street School Board of Trustees 03 0626 0643630 000

Fees due are as follows:

Basketball Year 5/6 \$70.00

Year 7/8 \$75.00

Netball FSMN Year 3-6 \$30.00

Intermediate Netball \$90.00

**Hockey** \$10.00

William Pike Ski Trip \$125.00

Year 7/8 Camp \$250.00

#### Term Dates 2025

Monday 14 July to Friday 19 September Teachers only day – 22 August

Term 4

Monday 6 October to 17 December Teachers only day – 28 October <u>Public holiday</u>: Labour Day – Monday 27 October Wātaka o Te Wiki – Week 2 21 – 25 July 2025

Monday 21 July

Epic Music

Tuesday 22 July

- Mentoring Pa Jono
- BOT Meeting

Wednesday 23 July

- EPIC Music
- Ki-o-Rahi
- RIZE Dance/Pasifika Mentoring
- Mentoring Pa Jono

Thursday 24 July

• Ki-o-Rahi

Friday 25 July

- Whole School Assembly 2.15 pm
- Rize Dance/Pasifika Mentoring

Sunday 27 July

• 27 students from China arrive

### North Street School Intermediate Years



## OPEN EVENING

Wednesday 27 August 2025
5.30pm - 7pm, North Street School Hall







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We hope you and your whānau can join us at our Open Evening 52 North Street, Feilding 4702 | Phone 06 3236695 | www.northstreet.school.nz

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