

# Term 1 Week 1 Newsletter – Wednesday 8 February 2017 – Rāapa 8 Hui-tanguru 2017

## TERM DATES 2017

Term 1: Tues 7 Feb – Thurs 13 April

Term 2: 1 May – 7 July

Term 3: 24 July – 22 September

Term 4: 9 October – 20 December



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**Welcome to a brand new year at Ngatimoti School!** It's great to see all our families back after the summer break – as well as a number of new families too! Joining Room 4 we welcome **Beau and Liam**, in Room 3 welcome to **Elvie, Isabella and Hannah**, in the Indigo Room we welcome **Ara, Henry H, Arjay and Oliver**, and in the Senior Room 5 welcome to new students **Cole, Isis and Nina**. We hope you all love your time here at Ngatimoti School – this brings our roll to 87 students to start the year; 46 girls and 41 boys.

**This year our school whakatauki is 'Ahakoa he iti he pounamu – although it is small, it is a treasure.'** This is so true about Ngatimoti School! Welcome to another year at Ngatimoti School and a very special welcome to our new students and their families. For me, it is great to be back! I spent a lot of time in 2016 travelling both in NZ and across to Europe. The highlights of our time away were our daughter's wedding in Italy, and an 800 kilometre walk through Northern Spain – the Camino de Santiago. Taking time to enjoy many of life's small pleasures was a real treat and I am very grateful for having this opportunity. It sounds like a cliché, but being away really has made me appreciate home, and what we have here in Ngatimoti. I feel a strong connection to this place, and believe that this feeling of belonging is a great asset for our students to develop too. How fortunate we have a school strategic goal that aims to do just that, under the title of Identity. *Ali*

## INFOMINGLE – THURSDAY 16 FEBRUARY – 5pm onwards

This is a great evening to meet other parents, welcome new families and hear what's going on at school. We would really love it if all families could come along.

The BOT will provide a free sausage each (you are welcome to bring your own picnic tea too!), and the swimming pool will be open.

5.30pm – A BOT welcome and information about the running of the school.

5:45 pm - Parents of Indigo Room students meet with Mrs Milnes in the Indigo Room.

6pm – Parents of Room 4 students meet with Ms Reid in Room 4.

6.15pm – Parents of Room 3 students meet with Mrs Beech in the Room 3.

6.30pm-ish – Parents of Room 5 meet with Mr Hepburn in Room 5.

We are looking forward to meeting you all for a fun, casual and informative evening!

Kaya and Sayla celebrate their climb to the top of Mt Arthur in the holidays! Like true RIVER students they demonstrated positivity, stamina and resilience along the way – and just look at those smiles!! Thanks Yvette for the photo ☺



## **Daily Reminders**

**All students should bring the following items to school every day this term:**

- ✓ Wide brimmed hat
- ✓ Swimming togs and towel (goggles if required)
- ✓ Drink bottle full of water
- ✓ Reading/homework books

**PLEASE RETURN ALL SCHOOL SPORTS SHIRTS FROM LAST YEAR ASAP – THANK YOU**

## **What's happening this week?**

### **FRIDAY SAUSAGE SIZZLE**

\$2 / Sausage & bread

To kick off the fundraising for the Indigo Room Ski trip later this year we will sell sausages and bread for lunch for \$2. Bring along your money on the day but orders will be taken tomorrow to gauge numbers. You can also bring along \$1 for a cake and \$1 for a frozen Juicie if you wish (see Parents group news on next page). Thanks to new parent Emma H for offering to help on Friday!

## **Some dates for your diary...**

**Fri 10<sup>th</sup> Feb – TRYATHLON ENTRY DEADLINE**

**Mon 13<sup>th</sup> Feb – Y7 & 8 first Motec visit**

**Mon 13<sup>th</sup> Feb – Swimming lessons begin after school with Yvette**

**Wed 15<sup>th</sup> Feb – TOUCH REGISTRATION DEADLINE**

**Thurs 16<sup>th</sup> Feb – Infomingle 5pm at school**

**Mon 20 Feb – Glenn returns for music lessons**

**Tues/Wed 21/22 Feb – Touch competition starts**

**Thurs 23 Feb – Room 5 Riversafe training**

**THANKS BRENT AND BYRON!** Thank you so much to parents Brent and Byron who recently donated firewood trees and helped Ian to chop it down (and up!) into beautiful firewood for school.



**CONGRATULATIONS** to all our students who celebrated their birthdays in the holidays: **Arabella, Gemmimah, Kalahni, Elvie, Tasmin, Jasmine, Louie, Liam E, Abi, Harry, Chico, Alexander C, Beau, Julius and Gabriel!** Ruby R celebrates her birthday today – Happy Birthday Ruby, and in the next few days, new students **Arjay, Henry H, and Isis** will all celebrate their special days too! Best Wishes to all of you from everyone here at school!

**Indigo Room Ski Trip Fundraising** We are planning a ski trip to Rainbow Ski Field later in the year and need to raise some funds to reduce the cost to parents. We are looking for fundraising ideas as well as donations of soft fruit/berries and smoothie makers/food processors for smoothies; onions, sausages, bread and helping hands to run our sausage sizzles every other Friday this term beginning this week.

**National Standards results from 2016** There is still much debate about the use of National Standards at school, and the value they give students, parents or teachers. As a state school we are expected to report on reading, writing and maths standards, which indicate where a child is compared with the expected standard, across NZ. As of the end of last year, 83% of our students were reading at or above the relevant standard, 76% were writing at or above the relevant standard and 82 % were at or above the relevant standard in maths. These are positive results, but even more positive is that we have evidence that 100% of our students showed progress last year. ☺

**BUS news** The aim for everyone is always to have a safe and happy bus ride. All bus monitors have had meetings and training with Police Education Officer Gerry Tonkin this morning. We have reviewed the bus rules and expectations of bus monitors. Parents, please talk with your child about bus behaviour. We do not expect loud, attention seeking and inappropriate language or behaviour on the bus. Should anything unacceptable come to Ms Turner's notice, there will be consequences - this may include dialogue with parents.

**Care of the School Grounds and Swimming Pool over the holidays** Thank you to everybody who used the school facilities with such respect during the holidays. It is great to see families here playing tennis, riding bikes or enjoying the grounds. School is a community facility and it is great that our families get to use it. Of course this also helps to keep an eye on things during the break! Thanks also for supporting our school pool this season. It costs the school thousands of dollars to maintain every year, not to mention the time and care required to ensure it is safe for our children to swim in. Special thanks to Ian and Vanessa who did such a great job over the holidays and to all of you who have made donations and purchased pool keys. We are lucky to have this facility and hope we are able to maintain it for many more years to come.

**Swimming lessons with Yvette start Mondays and Thursdays next week!** There are still a few spaces available for swimming lessons which run after school on Mondays and Thursdays beginning next Monday 13 Feb. These are privately run lessons, all classes swim in school time as part of our curriculum. **Call/Text Yvette on 027 601 5008 for more details.**

**MoTec** technology lessons begin next Monday afternoon at the MoTec centre, Pah Street, Motueka, for all Year 7 and 8 students. Students travel on the bus to and from Motueka. This year our session times have been slightly extended – the bus will leave school at 11.50am and return to school around 2.45pm. There will be no Motueka Library visits this term. The cost to parents this year will remain at \$60 per student, payable to school by cheque, cash or online 03 1354 0359568 00.

**TOUCH RUGBY REGISTRATIONS MUST BE MADE BY WEDNESDAY MORNING (15 Feb) AT THE SCHOOL OFFICE.** Games are played after school at the Motueka Recreation Centre and transport is parents' responsibility. Juniors (Y1 & 2) and Intermediates (Y3-5) play on Tuesdays, with Senior games played on Wednesdays. The cost is \$15 per student for the term, payable to the school by cheque, cash or online 03 1354 0359568 00. Games begin on Tuesday 21 and Wednesday 22 Feb and the draw will be sent out once teams are confirmed – call, email or text Amanda in the office to register.



**Weetbix Tryathlon – Sunday 12 March at Tahunanui Recreation Ground, Nelson.** Glenn will return in Week 3 to resume his Tryathlon club (free and open to all students whether you enter the Weetbix Tryathlon or not) in preparation for our school group to enter the Weetbix Tryathlon. Thanks to festival fundraising we have decided to subsidise the entry cost to bring the expense down to \$25 per student; **HOWEVER YOU NEED TO REGISTER BY THE END OF THIS WEEK!! If you would like your child to participate please return the attached form to school by Friday 10 Feb latest.**

### **PARENTS GROUP NEWS & CAKE ROSTER**

**Each Friday we like to provide cakes and frozen Juicies for sale for \$1 each to students.** For this to happen we rely on our parents group - i.e. all parents – to bake a cake, muffins or slices and bring them in to serve on Friday lunchtime. Students should still bring a healthy lunch but could also bring \$2 to buy a cake and a juicie if they wish. Funds raised for parents group go towards activities such as discos and events organised throughout the year (we are always open to suggestions here). A termly roster is put out in newsletters to parents for cake duty – watch out for your name and on your duty day please bring along cakes to serve from the hall.

Our lunch duty coordinator is Catherine (Beau, Louie & Chico's mum) and you will see this term's roster below. If you are unable to do your duty please either swap with another parent or call Catherine on 526 8891 so that we can make an alternative plan. Our parents group Chairperson is Rita (Ari & Madi's mum) and she can be reached on 526 8337 if you wish to ask anything regarding the parents group. For this Friday, Catherine will provide cakes to sell so please send your child with their money in a named purse if possible.

Week 2 Fri 17 Feb	Week 3 Fri 24 Feb	Week 4 Fri 3 March	Week 5 Fri 10 March	Week 6 Fri 17 March	Week 7 Fri 24 March	Week 8 Fri 31 March	Week 9 Fri 7 April	Week 10 Good Friday
Esther/Kerry A Lisa T/Jordan	Sheree/John Kirsten B	Debs/Aika Annie/Dan	Bex/Stacey Emma/Alastair	Jennifer/Warwick Gali/Darryl	Keren/Marios Sky/James	Lucy/Sam M Sam Green	Camille N Emma/Jamie	Holidays

**OUR FIRST PARENTS GROUP MEETING OF THE YEAR WILL BE HELD ON THURSDAY 23 FEBRUARY FROM 1.30pm AT THE SCHOOL HALL.** All parents are welcome – come along and see what's going on! At this meeting we will decide how much we will donate to the school from last year's super successful festival. We will plan our Parents Group AGM in March where we will make plans for the year ahead – all suggestions are welcome! Watch this space and we hope to see you there!

**Ngatimoti playgroup** is your local community playgroup focused on fun and friendships, for kids and parents/caregivers alike. We are a welcoming group providing play and socialization opportunities for all preschoolers and whanau in our community. The sessions are free and held weekly on Fridays between 9:15 and 12:15 in the school hall. Bring a plate for shared morning tea and join in the fun. We love to see new (and not so new) faces, so come along, or call / text **Annie Simpson for more information 0210643232**.

<p><b>PET PIG FOR SALE – “Treacle”</b>  <b>Fully grown miniature Kuni Kuni - Very tame - \$20</b>  <b>Call Vanessa 027 263 3550</b></p>	<p><b>HELP! RENTAL PROPERTIES WANTED</b>          We have a few families inquiring about enrolling their children here but they need accommodation. If you know of any rental properties available in or around Ngatimoti please let us know.</p>	<p><b>CAR SEATS WANTED TO BORROW HELP!</b> We have visitors arriving soon and would love to borrow some car seats for three children - one seat suitable for a 6 month old baby as well as seats for 4 and 5 year old boys. if you can help, please either ring me at school 5268842 or at home 5268822.          Thanks, Ali Turner</p>
<p><b>Primary School Climbing</b> is happening again this term at Motueka Recreation Centre. Tues and Thurs afternoons at 3.30 to 5pm. Cost is \$5pp / p session. If you have any queries please don't hesitate to contact Wendy on(03)528 8228.</p>		

**Electric Organ – Free to a good home - Can be viewed in the school hall.**

**SHOHEI-RYU KARATE CLUB - NGATIMOTI MEMORIAL HALL**

We would like to invite you to train with us again this school Term 1. The class is aimed at children from about 5 years of age and upwards and is held on Fridays between 3.15 p.m. and 4.15 p.m. Classes will be held from the 10th February 2017. Beginners in Karate are made welcome, please wear loose clothing. For further details of the Ngatimoti club and other clubs in the area, please contact Paul. Phone: 022 633 1055 [paul.natzyl@shohei-ryukarate.com](mailto:paul.natzyl@shohei-ryukarate.com)

**MINISTRY OF INSPIRATION, NELSON** is offering four weekly classes for students under the age of 13 during Term 1.

STEAMS School for ages 6-9 and 9-13 is a weekly WEDNESDAY class at NMIT Richmond that takes place during school hours.

Contact [linda@ministryofinspiration.org](mailto:linda@ministryofinspiration.org) for more information.

STEAMS Club for ages 9-13 is a weekly WEDNESDAY class at NMIT Richmond that takes place from 4-5 pm.

Contact [linda@ministryofinspiration.org](mailto:linda@ministryofinspiration.org) for more information.

SCIENCE Class for ages 6-13 is a weekly WEDNESDAY class at Garin College that takes place from 4-5 pm.

Contact [amy@ministryofinspiration.org](mailto:amy@ministryofinspiration.org) for more information.

**ALL details and registration** can be found on Eventbrite <https://www.eventbrite.com/d/new-zealand--nelson/ministryofinspiration/?mode=search>

**Activekidz Swim School @ Mapua chalets will begin Term 1 lessons next week. Places are available at all levels. You can book online at [www.activekidzswimschool.co.nz](http://www.activekidzswimschool.co.nz) or call Andy and Karen on 035403316.**

**VIOLIN AND PIANO LESSONS for age 3yrs and up**

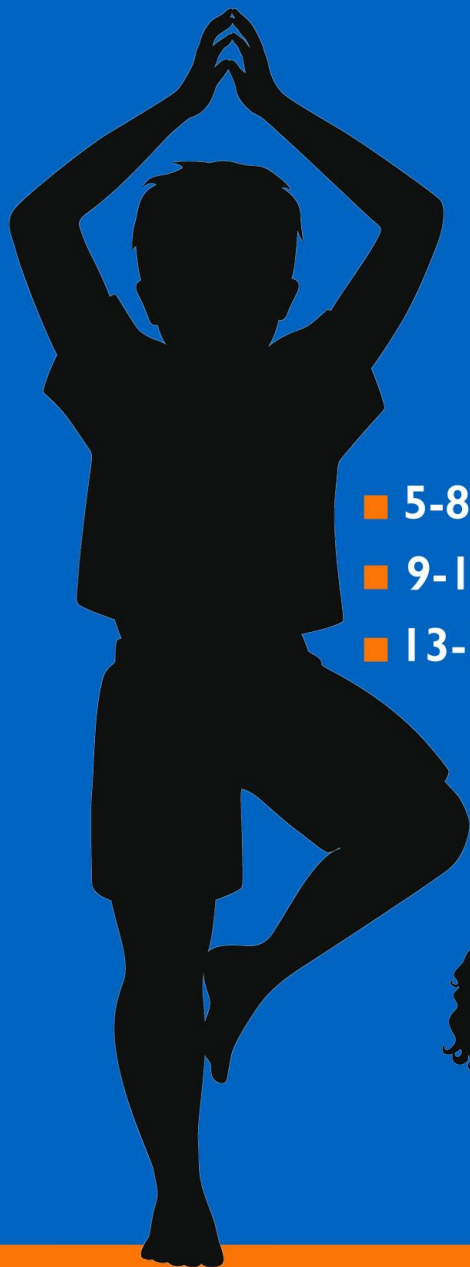
Katie Dey teaches violin and piano by the Suzuki method, music theory and music reading. The Suzuki method is also known as the “mother tongue” method and involves learning initially by ear, so is ideal for young children. Both individual and group lessons are involved. Katie teaches in Nelson and Motueka. Contact [katieldey@gmail.com](mailto:katieldey@gmail.com)

***An interesting snippet for you on the importance of reading:***

*Reading enjoyment is a better indicator of life success than socio-economic status. OECD 2012.*







# Fun Empowering Safe Creative

- 5-8 years 3.30-4.15pm Term 1: \$36/Term 2: \$48
- 9-12 years 4.30-5.15pm Term 1: \$36/Term 2: \$48
- 13-18 years 5.30-6.30pm Term 1: \$42/Term 2: \$56



## KIDS & TEENS YOGA

### Term 1 (6 week block)

MONDAYS (start March 6): Riwaka School Hall

THURSDAYS (start March 9): Riverside Community Hall

### Term 2 (8 week block)

MONDAYS (start May 8): Riwaka School Hall

THURSDAYS (start May 11): Riverside Community Hall

Registration & Info: Jill T: 03 527 8069 E: [yogastorynz@gmail.com](mailto:yogastorynz@gmail.com)



# Nelson Sanitarium Weet-Bix Kids TRYathlon Entry Form

Dear Parent/Caregiver,

Our school has registered as a school group for the Nelson Weet-Bix Kids TRYathlon to be held on **Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> March 2017** at **Tahunanui Recreation Ground, Nelson**. The Weet-Bix Kids TRYathlon is for Kiwi kids of all sporting abilities who are aged between 7 and 15. Children can enter as individuals and do all three legs of the TRYathlon by themselves or in a team of two and do either the swim/run or bike/run with a friend.

By completing this form, you give permission for your child to be registered by the School Group Coordinator into the school group. Their event kit will be sent to the school 3-5 days prior to the event. For more details please visit [www.try.weet-bix.co.nz](http://www.try.weet-bix.co.nz)

Please fill out the permission slip below & return to NGATIMOTI SCHOOL by the 10 FEB

### Cost

The fee to participate in the Weet-Bix Kids TRYathlon is \$46.50 ONLINE, however, as part of the school group the **SPECIAL SCHOOL PRICE** is ~~\$41.25 per child or \$37.00 if you register before the EARLYBIRD cut-off date of Friday 10<sup>th</sup> February 2017~~

**\$25 PAYABLE TO NGATIMOTI SCHOOL**

### Registration Information:

Entry Type: *Please circle:*      INDIVIDUAL      JNR TEAM OF TWO (7-10yrs)      SNR TEAM OF TWO (11-15yrs)

If you are entering your child as a **team of two**, please circle which one applies to your child: TEAM SWIMMER    TEAM CYCLIST

Team Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Team Mates Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
*(Please note team members must be in the same age bracket (JNR 7-10/SNR 11-15) and be registered into the system consecutively)*

Parents email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Child's First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Child's Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ *Please circle:* Male / Female

Medical Conditions: \_\_\_\_\_ Physical Conditions: \_\_\_\_\_

Allergies: \_\_\_\_\_ Dietary: \_\_\_\_\_

T-shirt size: *Please circle:*      Kid size: XS 8   S 10   M 12   L 14   Adult Size   S 16   M 18   L   2XL   3XL

Emergency Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Emergency Contact Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

How many Weet-Bix Kids TRYathlon Events has your child done?

*Please circle:*    First time    1    2    3    4    5    6    7    8    9    10 or more

How did you hear about the Weet-Bix Kids TRYathlon?

- |                                       |  |  |
|---------------------------------------|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> School       | <input type="checkbox"/> Weet-Bix Team school visit      | <input type="checkbox"/> Weet-Bix Packet |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Friend       | <input type="checkbox"/> Child is a previous participant | <input type="checkbox"/> Email           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Social Media | <input type="checkbox"/> Newspaper                       | <input type="checkbox"/> Radio           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> TV Advert    | <input type="checkbox"/> Other TV                        | <input type="checkbox"/> Other           |

### Sponsorship Information

- Please check here if you are an ASB customer. ASB may contact you with information on ASB activities at the event your child is registered to enter.
- Yes, I would like to join **Bike Barn's** database. **Bike Barn** may contact you with information on Bike Barn activities at the event, special offers, competitions, sponsorship news and more!
- Please keep me informed about Toyota promotions, offers, products and services.
- Sign up to hear news and special offers from Warehouse Stationery.

