

# Update – Monday 13<sup>th</sup> October

Due to rolling strikes by PPTA teachers, Year 7's will not be able to attend Technology tomorrow, it will be a normal school day for them.

Year 8's will be attending Technology as per usual.

On Wednesday we are participating in the **"Save our Teddy"** day. Please send your child with a teddy or soft toy to 'save' as we practice CPR.

Also on the calendar this week is **Flower Show**. Flowers are required for Thursday. Junior section attached

Our students had a one-week amnesty for **sun hats**. We are a Sun Smart School, therefore, hats are compulsory in Terms 1 & 4. It was disappointing today that some students had attitudes about wearing a hat and there were quite a few students without hats. **Please ensure your child has a blue bucket hat which is our uniform.**

Today we held a whole-school discussion about the importance of **wearing our uniform correctly and with pride**. All schools in our district have uniforms, and it is an expectation that students at our Kura do the same.

Attached is a copy of our uniform list. We have kept our uniform as affordable as possible and, in many cases, have provided items free of charge. Despite this, a number of students are still choosing not to wear the correct uniform or are wearing it untidily.

From this point forward, we expect all students to be in full, correct uniform every day. Your support in reinforcing this expectation at home is appreciated as we continue to uphold the standards and pride of our school.

*Yours sincerely*

*Angela McQuarrie*

*Principal*

# SAVE YOUR TEDDY DAY

## Information for students and whānau



Hato Hone  
St John

Our school has registered to take part in national Save Your Teddy Day, coinciding with World Restart a Heart Day, where students will learn how to save a life by practicing CPR on their teddy or soft toy.

Your child's class will be participating in this fun and exciting Hato Hone St John session. This is a practical activity where they will learn and practice how to respond when a person needs care in a cardiac arrest. This means they will learn how to give CPR to their teddy or cushion.

Children will join a practical demonstration via a video which will require them to use a teddy, soft toy or cushion to practice on. Any soft toy or cushion, ideally something at least 20cm in length, would work perfectly.

Children will need to bring their teddy / soft toy or cushion to school on Save Your Teddy Day.

If your child doesn't have access to a suitable toy or cushion we may be able to support picking a pre-loved one up from a local Hato Hone St John retail store (if we have one in your location).

Please chat to the classroom teacher who has details about how you may be able to get one provided.

To help Hato Hone St John to continue to provide free CPR and AED awareness sessions we are also asking for any child participating in Save Your Teddy Day to bring a gold coin to school or you can direct donate here <https://saveyourteddy.stjohn.org.nz/donate> (children can still participate without providing a donation).

To learn more about our free community CPR and AED programme check out: <https://www.stjohn.org.nz/what-we-do/community-programmes/3-steps-for-life/>



**Save your**  
*Teddy*

# NORSEWOOD & DISTRICTS SCHOOL UNIFORM POLICY

## Guidelines:

1. A regulation uniform is compulsory for all students at Norsewood & Districts School. New students who enrol during the year have seven days from the date of enrolment to purchase their uniform.
2. Parents are free to select any combination of uniform items, from the uniform list to suit the weather conditions. There is no official summer or winter uniform. However, students are not permitted to layer uniform items e.g. wearing a long polo shirt under a short sleeved one. Thermals may be worn and should be navy, black or white and not visible under the uniform, i.e. short polo shirt and long sleeved thermal.
3. **Students are not permitted to wear non-regulation clothing items.**
4. If students are unable to wear their uniform for any reason an acceptable explanation in writing is required.
5. Embroidered logo red school polo tops, embroidered logo navy jackets and navy bucket hats can be purchased from Stitch Me, 136 Adelaide Road, Dannevirke. Phone 3749947. Navy skorts, navy shorts and plain navy no-logo track pants can be purchased from the Warehouse or Postie Plus. Some second-hand uniforms are available from the school office. Assistance from WINZ is often available for the initial outlay.
6. No jewellery is to be worn other than a wrist watch, blessed pounamu, sleepers or plain birthstone studs. No other body piercing is permitted.
7. Hair that is below shoulder length needs to be tied up with a navy blue, black or red plain hair tie or headbands in the same colours.
8. It is encouraged that students change into sports gear for any lengthy physical education activities. There is no official sports uniform except for netball, rugby and interschool fixtures. The school provides uniforms for these.
9. A regulation navy blue school sunhat (bucket style or with a wide brim) is compulsory during Terms 1 and 4. A plain navy, black or red beanie may be worn during Terms 2 and 3. Plain jackets in black, navy or school red with no logos may be worn outside the classroom in cooler weather.
10. Footwear is sneakers/shoes of any colour (no wheels); leather lace ups/Velcro or t bar shoes or roman sandals are preferred.
11. **Plain** black, navy and white socks (no stripes). Plain navy or black tights may be worn in winter.
12. All Year 7 and 8 students attending Technology at Dannevirke High School are required to wear covered leather shoes at all times.
13. The school uniform must be kept clean and tidy and worn correctly with pride at all times.
14. It is a requirement of this policy that all clothing and footwear items are clearly named.
15. A student who fails to wear the uniform correctly is deemed to be breaking the school's expectations and any continuing non-compliance will be followed up with parents/caregivers.

## Uniform Requirements and Description

| BOYS   | GIRLS  |
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| <b><u>Hat</u></b> - Regulation Navy Blue. (Plain bucket hat style or wide brim). School logo only<br>Compulsory during Term 1 & 4<br><b><u>Beanies</u></b> - Plain navy blue, plain black or school red.<br>For use during Terms 2 & 3 | <b><u>Hat</u></b> - Regulation Navy Blue. (Plain bucket hat style or wide brim). School logo only<br>Compulsory during Term 1 & 4<br><b><u>Beanies</u></b> - Plain navy blue, plain black or school red.<br>For use during Terms 2 & 3 |
| <b><u>Polo Shirt</u></b> - Regulation Norsewood & Districts Red Polo shirt with Navy edging on collar and sleeves with Logo screen -printed on left chest. Long or short sleeved   | <b><u>Polo Shirt</u></b> - Regulation Norsewood & Districts Red Polo shirt with Navy edging on collar and sleeves with Logo screen -printed on left chest. Long or short sleeved   |
| <b><u>Shorts</u></b> - Navy Drill Shorts<br><b><u>Longs</u></b> - Plain navy blue pants or trackpants - No Logos   | <b><u>Shorts</u></b> - Navy Drill Shorts<br><b><u>Longs</u></b> - Plain navy blue pants or trackpants - No Logos   |
|  | <b><u>Skirt</u></b> - Regulation Navy Blue pleated skirt or<br><b><u>Skort</u></b> - Navy Blue   |
| <b><u>Tops</u></b> - Regulation Navy Blue Polar Fleece half zip or full zip.<br>(Logo embroidered on left chest )<br>Or Navy Merino Top  | <b><u>Tops</u></b> - Regulation Navy Blue Polar Fleece half zip or full zip.<br>(Logo embroidered on left chest )<br>Or Navy Merino Top  |
| <b><u>Socks</u></b> - Plain navy, red, black or white socks. No stripes or patterns  | <b><u>Socks</u></b> - Plain navy, red, black or white socks. No stripes or patterns<br><b><u>Tights</u></b> - Navy Blue or black (optional)  |
| <b><u>Footwear</u></b> - Black Roman Sandal, black sandals with heel support leather, lace up shoes/Velcro shoes. (No jandals)<br>Sneakers of any colour (no wheels)   | <b><u>Footwear</u></b> - Black Roman sandals, black sandals with heel support, lace up shoes, Velcro/or t bar shoes. (no high heels or jandals)<br>Sneakers of any colour (no wheels)  |
| <b><u>Thermals</u></b> - Black, navy blue or white. V Neck thermals may be worn as under clothing during the cold.   | <b><u>Thermals</u></b> - Black, navy blue or white. V Neck thermals may be worn as under clothing during the cold.   |
| <b><u>Jewellery</u></b> - Wrist watch, blessed pounamu   | <b><u>Jewellery</u></b> - Wrist watch, blessed pounamu, sleepers or plain birthstone studs<br><b><u>Hair Ties</u></b> - red, blue or black   |
|  | <b><u>Make Up</u></b> - No nail polish or make up to be worn.  |

- School red means the same shade as the polo shirt red.
- School Uniforms are available from the Dannevirke Warehouse or Stitch Me

# Annual Norsewood Flower Show

17th and 18th October 2025

## JUNIOR SECTION

Free Entry.

Venue: VTS room at Norsewood & Districts School

***During school hours entry will be from gate beside school house onto playing field***

- One entry per category per child.
- All children welcome to enter. Children's entries accepted from **8.30 am to 9.45am**
- Certificates awarded for First, Second, Third & Highly Commended.
- Prizes and cups awarded to Best Junior in Show and Best Junior Floral Exhibit
- Pre-schoolers are invited to enter a floral creation. Preschool entries will not be judged, but will all be awarded a Certificate of Participation.

### JUDGING CATEGORIES

1. Junior Group: 5- 7 years
2. Intermediate Group 8-10 years
3. Senior Group: 11 and older

### ENTRY SECTIONS

1. Mosaic Saucer (to be presented preferably in a plastic saucer)
2. Aqua Jar
3. Pet Rock
4. Novelty container of flowers (Optional – to be done at home)
5. Pinecone Creation

**The Hall will be open for viewing from 2.00pm – 3.30pm on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> with the presentation of cups and best in show at 2.30pm. The Hall will be open for viewing of the exhibits on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> between 10.00am and 2.00pm. Please remember all entries to be collected on Saturday between 2.00pm – 2.30pm. The VTS will be closed at 3pm on Saturday.**

***A big thank you to Dannevirke Mitre 10 for sponsoring the prizes, our local businesses and to Norsewood & Districts' School***



**NORSEWOOD PROMOTIONS INC**  
P.O. Box 22, Norsewood 4943

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**Adult Section**

**Free Entry. Containers available.**

**Venue: VTS room at Norsewood & Districts School**

***During school hours entry will be from gate beside school house onto playing field***

- **Adult entries accepted 8.30am – 9.45am Friday.**
- **Certificates awarded for First, Second, Third & Highly Commended.**
- **Prizes awarded for Best in Show Adult, Best Junior Entry and People's Choice.**
- **Cups awarded for Most Adult Entries, Best Junior Floral Exhibit, Best in Show Adult and People's Choice.**

## **FLORAL**

4. Poppy (single stem) any variety
5. Flag Iris
6. Dutch Iris
7. Peony (single stem)
8. Granny bonnets (single stalk), dip end in hot water before show to prevent wilting
9. Euphorbia (single head)
10. Alstromeria (single stem)
11. Geranium (single head)
12. Clematis
13. Perennial (single stem)

## **SHRUBS**

14. Rhododendron (one head)
15. Camelia (single flower in saucer, no more than three leaves)
16. Lilac (one head)
17. Azalea
18. Viburnum (single stem)
19. Rose (miniature)
20. Rose Hybrid Tea (single bloom)
21. Rose Floribunda (single stem with multiple flowers)
22. Fuchsia – one stem
23. Any other shrub not mentioned

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