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Word of the month: Quiddity

- A. The sensation of knowing that there is something you have forgotten
- B. The quality that makes a thing what it is, its essence
- C. Flush with assets, monetary or otherwise
- D. Fictional game played by wizards

Last months word: Effulgent

- A. Shining forth brilliantly; radiant.

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Normandale Inorganic rubbish collection

The Good, the Bad and the Ugly.

The Good

It didn't rain, we collected three lorry loads of rubbish, over six tonnes of rubbish, as well as scrap metal and electronics that were collected separately. Thanks to the committee for loading every bit of those six tonnes by hand, and continuing to turn out to support our community by giving up their weekend to collect other peoples' rubbish. Most of the committee have been doing this for over twenty years, and are no longer in the first flush of youth! Our thanks too, to those residents who came out to help or just to say thank you. The chocolate biscuits were especially appreciated.

The Bad

There are still a few residents who really push the limits of what is reasonable. We don't like leaving rubbish behind, but heaps that are big enough to warrant a mini skip is unfair on volunteers and other residents. It's funny that the houses with large heaps and heavy items never seem to offer to help us load up.

The Ugly

Those who don't support the community by paying their subscriptions but still complained that their rubbish wasn't collected. This usually turned out to be rubbish that had been put out after we had gone past, or tyres and hazardous waste. We explained clearly in the NDT what we would and would not collect. Remember that this isn't a service you are entitled to, it's provided by volunteers and financed by other residents' subscriptions.

-Pete Matcham, President



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The next NRA meeting will be held on Wednesday 16th of September - all association members welcome. The meetings last from 7:30 until 9:00.

Disclaimer: The opinions expressed in this paper do not necessarily reflect those of the committee.

Note: Copy deadline 25th of preceding month.

Normandale School certainly knows how to lift spirits in the winter term, holding a Wacky Wednesday Fun Day! The children and staff really got into the spirit of things being as wacky as they could. There were lots of colourful hair, crazy hairstyles, imaginative clothing (including some worn around the wrong way) and odd shoes just to name a few. There were lots of confident children in the school parade showing off their wacky style and moves. Many looking ready for the Milan catwalk!



Normandale School's front entrance is looking great too with some new fruit trees. Students split into their whanau groups and got down and dirty adding the apple, pear, lemon and plum trees. The students showed great team work, patience and sharing while learning and appreciating how our fruit grows – I'm sure they will look forward to eating it too.

-Sam Williams

Immerse yourself in an afternoon of Japanese culture at Hutt Minoh Friendship House's Japan Spring Festival.

This is a free event at 38 Normandale Road on Sunday, September 27, from 1 to 4pm.

It will include performances of Japanese dance by children from the Koton Dance Group and demonstrations by the Wellington Kyudo (archery) Club (based at the house), Japanese Calligraphy Grand Master, Akiko Crowther from Nelson and Minoh House's Omotosenke Tea Club.

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