

Santa parade!

It's the 33rd Santa parade this December 25th! Santa will be coming around.

Delivering gifts by arrangement and there are sweets for everyone waiting at their gates to watch him ride by in his sleigh.

If any youngsters five years and older would like to ride on Santa's sleigh phone Rosemary 586 4180.

Details of the start time and route will be published next month.

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Quiz

Word of the month: **Hydrophobia**

- A. Fear of water
- B. Fear of hydrogen
- C. Nickname for rabies
- D. Fear of aquatic animals

Last month's word: **obdurate**

- D. Stubbornly refusing to change opinion

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Roads and slips

Petone-Grenada Link update

While there is still some work to do, the NZTA is getting closer to starting discussions with local communities about the Petone-Grenada Link.

The process will provide us with the opportunity to ask questions and give feedback before final design decisions are made. For more information go to website: nzta.govt.nz/projects/petone-to-grenada-link-road or email: petone2grenada@nzta.govt.nz

Normandale landslips

In September there were some serious landslides. Grant Roberts sent in some images and some information.



The picture on the left is on Cottle Park Drive, where a slip brought down many large boulders of weathered rock. These may have been loosened when the pine trees were recently cleared.

For more photos, look inside.

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Note: Copy deadline 25th of preceding month.

The next NRA meeting will be held at St Aidans church on Thursday 17th of November - all association members welcome. The meetings last from 7:30 until 9:00.

St Aidan's - Your community church

There are lots of activities run by your local church. **Regular Sunday services** are at **9am**. On the **first Sunday** of each month, **9am Reflective Service** is followed by a **10am Café Service**.

Other activities include **Mainly Music**, **Messy Church**, and **Open Door** for Seniors.

Mainly Music is held **every Thursday** during the school term **from 9:30 to 10am**, followed by **Playgroup** from **10 to 11am**. This music group is for parents and caregivers to enjoy music and movement together with their young children.

Every third Sunday of each month, **Messy Church** is held starting at 4pm. **Messy Church** is an activity-based fun time for families with primary-aged children. After **Messy Church** there is an evening meal.

On the **second and fourth Fridays** of each month a hot meal is served for seniors from **12 noon to 1:30pm**.

Our ministers are **Rev Kalo Kaiso** (phone 027 862 9454) and **Rev Jannet Mudavanhu** (phone 027 437 4540). Please call them if you would like to know anything about the church or if you would like a home visit.

No Job Too Small !

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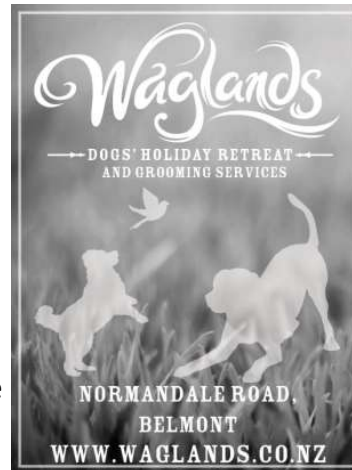
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Normandale Landslips

In September Grant Roberts kindly provided these images of landslides around Normandale brought on by the rain at that time.

These photos are taken near the bottom of Normandale road, where a clean up operation (by Dews Construction Ltd) was in progress. Grant Roberts told me that since the construction of the road, the bank was almost constantly having slips and landslides.

The slip scarp extended the full height of the hillside and covered half the road with debris. Luckily workers arrived shortly after the slip and, with rocks still sliding down the hill, cleared it.

They have planted hydroseed (grass) on the slopes, hoping for a temporary fix to the problem until more work can (hopefully) be done to protect the cliff from erosion.



Thanks to Grant Roberts for these great photos.