

# KELBURN NORMAL SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

## NGĀ TĀTARAKIHI O AHUMAIRANGI PĀNUI

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RĀHINA 26 HERE TURI KŌKĀ ~ MONDAY 26 AUGUST



Where students learn creatively and strive for excellence in preparing for lifelong learning  
Kia auaha te ako a ngā ākongā me te whai i te iti kahurangi mō te akoranga tūroa

**Friday 30 August** - School Closed for 3-way Learning Conversations and Goal Reviews will be held across the day

Kia ora koutou e te whānau,

### **3-way Learning Conversations and Goal Reviews - Staff Only Day - This Friday 30 August .**

Our 3-way Learning Conferences and Goal Review are this Friday throughout the day. This is to help manage staff workload as an awful lot is happening for staff now, and the late nights and evenings are hard for staff and their whānau. Please make your bookings for **this Friday** as there is no guarantee teachers will have time to make alternative times before the end of term. As always we believe that the learner needs to be at the centre of these conversations as they learn to take responsibility and develop agency as learners. These are important hui and this dialogue is crucial to continue the key triangle of ākongā, kaiako, and whānau - learners, teacher, and family. To make a booking, click on [HERE](#) or visit the website, schoolinterviews.co.nz and enter the code **VKXC8**

**Last week was Book Week** - we had such fun last week with Book Week with literacy activities throughout the week and including during learning time. Staff read stories to different teams, building new connections for some learners and staff. The book character parade on Friday allowed tamariki and staff to celebrate their favourite book character. Thank you to the library team who organised all the extra activities.

**Music assembly - This Thursday at 1.45.** Our ensembles - Orchestra, Lyrica, Piccolo, Tui choir, XyloFun, and Xylo Beats are sharing their mahi this Thursday at 1.45 in the hall.

**EPro 8** - The EPro8 Challenge is the inter-school science and engineering competition, and this week we are hosting EPro8 for year 5-8 students. We are using specialist equipment so all tamariki can experience the challenge, and from there, we may take part in the inter-school challenge. EPro8 promotes science, engineering, problem-solving, communication, and collaboration.

**Kāhui Ako speaker - Dy Judith Locke next Wednesday 4 September** - After the continued success of the Kāhui Ako evenings, and following on from Rob Cope last term, our next Kāhui Ako speaker is Dr Judith Locke. Judith is a highly regarded speaker and the author of *The Bonsai Student - Developing Resilient Teenagers*. She is speaking next Wednesday 4 September from 7.00 to 8.30 at Wellington College. This is not to be missed, so pop it into your diary now. [Please click here to secure your seat.](#)

### **Student Council - Collaborative Can Collection Competition is on**

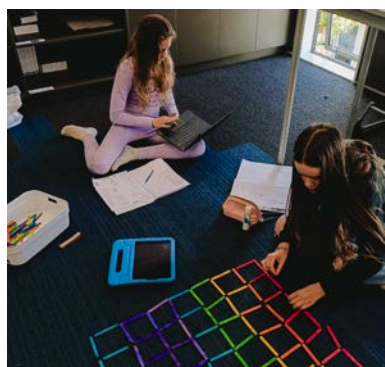
Our Student Council wants to help the community by collecting canned food to donate to the City Mission. The annual Student Council Collaborative Can Collection Competition is on! Please bring NEW cans of food to help support families in need. Each Ara is running a collection competition, and a free afternoon is the prize! We will run the competition from Monday 26 August, until Friday 13 September. Thanks for supporting the Wellington community.

Ngā mihi nui, Andrew

## What's happening in Māia?

### Literacy- Play Term!

“Play Term” is well underway and we are in the throes of devising our theatre pieces for week 9. As we delve into some meaty themes we are looking at a range of texts to inform our narratives. We are deep in the imagined words of our devised plays and can't wait to share them with you. The plays have so many benefits for our students, individually and collectively. It may interest you to know that several years ago, we started interviewing the year 10 students attending WGC and WBC to find out about their transition to college, and to inform our classroom practice. What we have found is that these students consistently report that the opportunities to engage in The Arts at KNS have set them up for success in other areas. Some of the benefits the students reported are as follows:

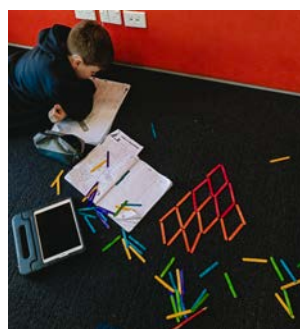


- Drama built their confidence to present in front of groups across a range of subjects
- Drama enabled them to think critically and negotiate disagreement
- Creating a play enabled them to make meaningful connections between their own lives and other texts
- The play-devising process exposed them to texts that they would not have been able to access without the vehicle of drama
- Performing in ensembles such as Lyrica and Orchestra gave them the confidence to join clubs and try new activities
- Drama gave them the confidence to share their opinions with others
- Performing in ensembles taught them how to work together

### Maths Week & Mathswell

This week 12 of our Māia students represented us at the Mathswell competition at Victoria University. This required skillful problem-solving skills, teamwork, and excellent communication.

Maths week was a great opportunity for us to explore some fun problem-solving challenges and friendly competitions. Our focus this term is on Algebra and we are exploring patterns and expressions. In the photos you will see our students visually mapping out linear and non-linear equations using materials.



### Technology

Tech is one of the perks of being a Māia student! We have had some catch-up sessions recently and the students have loved it. Tech offers opportunities to cook, create, and problem-solve using a range of tools. Students do need to be able to follow instructions in order to stay safe whilst working with tools.



## Looking Ahead - Event Dates - Term 3, 2024

You can see the times and add these events to your calendar by using the KNS App

Week	Date	Event
<b>Week 6</b>	Thursday 29 August	Music Assembly @ 1.45 pm
	Friday 30 August	School Closed for Teacher Only Day - 3-way Learning Conversations and Goal Reviews will be held across the day
<b>Week 7</b>	Wednesday 4 September	Kāhui Ako evening - Dr Judith Locke - The Bonsai Student - Developing Resilient Teenagers at Wellington College from 7 pm - 8.30 pm
	Friday 6 September	School hui hosted by Māia at 10.15 am
<b>Week 8</b>	Monday 9 September	BoT Meeting @ 6.30 pm PTA Meeting @ 7pm
	Friday 13 September	School hui hosted by Whānui at 10.15 am, Onesie Day
<b>Week 9</b>	Thursday 19 September	No Tech, Māia Plays @ Gryphon Theatre, Māia Tahi @ 6 pm, Māia Rua @ 7pm
	Saturday 21 September	PTA Working Bee from 9 am to 11 am
<b>Week 10</b>	Monday 23 September	Wgtn Orchestra Festival at WC

### PTA News

**Working Bee** – Our next school working bee will be on Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> September, from 9.00am to 11.00am. If you are able to help at any time during the morning it will be much appreciated – bring along gardening tools such as spades, forks etc. Children are welcome to help too!

**Scholastic BookClub** – keep an eye out for the Scholastic Issue 6 brochure coming home this week. Every order earns rewards enabling the school to order free books for the school library. Orders close Friday 6<sup>th</sup> September. Any questions email [bookclub@kelburnnormal.school.nz](mailto:bookclub@kelburnnormal.school.nz)

**Parent Volunteer for Road Patrol Needed** - thank you to our amazing parent volunteers who keep our KNS children safe by supervising the road patrol crossings. We urgently need a parent volunteer to fill our roster. The morning shift is from 8.20 am to 8.50 am and the afternoon is 2.50 pm - 3.20 pm. The role is providing support and backing up the trained road patrollers. Please email Claire @ [claire@highjumpphotography.com](mailto:claire@highjumpphotography.com) or text/call on 021 537 567 if you can help.

### Attention - We Need People aged 60 and over!

Chris is a Kelburn Normal School Dad and his firm, Bactosure, has offered the PTA a \$2K donation if we can find 15 enthusiastic people aged 60 and over to test some new technology. Bactosure allows anyone to test their drinking water without the need to send samples to a lab.

**\*\*What's Involved?\***

- The process will involve making dummy transactions on their website, watching a 10- minute training video, installing a mobile app, collecting a water sample from a tap, putting it into an analyser and trying to interpret the results. It will take no more than 90 minutes

**\*\*Who Can Participate?\***

- People aged 60 and above; Ideally people with NO scientific experience

**\*\*When and Where?\***

- You'll need to go to their office near the Cable Car; Dates and times will be provided upon registration

**\*\*How to Sign Up?\***

- If you're interested in participating, please send your name and phone number to [pta@kelburnnormal.school.nz](mailto:pta@kelburnnormal.school.nz)

### School Notices - [click the link to view previous school notices](#)

#### The Dental Van is on site from Week 7 (2 September) until Week 10, Term 3

**Enrolling for Bee Healthy** - If your child missed out you are able to make an appointment directly with Bee Healthy.

There's two easy ways to enrol your child with Bee Healthy Regional Dental Service:

1. Complete an [online enrolment form](#), or
2. Visit your nearest [Bee Healthy Dental Clinic](#) and complete an enrolment form.

Babies born in the Wellington Region are enrolled at birth with Bee Healthy.

If you have questions about enrolment, eligibility, or unsure if your child is enrolled with Bee Healthy, please call 0800 TALK TEETH (825 583).

If you have changed address or phone number/s and need to update your details [click here](#)

#### [School Photos are Ready to order](#)

It was lovely to photograph your gorgeous children again this year. You have been sent passcode(s) to view your child(ren)'s portraits. If you have not received it, please check your junk inbox. If still no luck, please email: [claire@clairefraser.nz](mailto:claire@clairefraser.nz) directly.

You will receive a 10% Early-Bird discount on any orders placed by 7pm, Friday 23rd August 2024.

If you need any assistance, please do not hesitate to get in contact with Claire on 021 537 567 or [claire@clairefraser.nz](mailto:claire@clairefraser.nz)

Claire

**Recorder lessons at Kelburn Normal School** - Kamala has a few places for recorder students to begin lessons next term. Child-centred approach with a focus on the love of playing music. If interested, please contact: [kamala.bain@gmail.com](mailto:kamala.bain@gmail.com).

## School Clubs and Ensembles Timetable

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>Xylobeats</b> - (Ys 4,5, 6) 8.30 - 9.30am Katharina Mahler Room	<b>Orchestra</b> - 8.30 - 9.30am Katharina & Rachel Mahler Room	<b>Piccolo</b> - (Yrs 4, 5, 6, 7) 8.30 - 9.30am Anna Sedcole Mahler Room	<b>Lyrice</b> - Yrs 5 - 8 8.30am-9.30 am Anna Sedcole Mahler Room	<b>Little Xylofun</b> (Ys 2 & 3) 8.30 - 9.00am Katharina Mahler Room
<b>Kapa Haka</b> - Y1-4 1.30 - 2pm Miss Bishop & Jeremy Hall	<b>Code Club</b> - 1.10 - 1.40pm Miss Bishop/Miss Sanders Māia space	<b>Tui Choir</b> - (Years 2 & 3) 8:50am Ms Wilby Hall		<b>Kapa Haka</b> - Yrs 5 - 8 8.30 - 9.30am Mrs Smith&Ms Rasmussen Hall
<b>Eco Club</b> - 1.10-1.40pm Miss Molloy Tupu space		<b>Chess Club</b> - 12.40 - 1.20pm Mr Miller Māia space		

## School Term Dates 2024

Term	Start Date	End Date	Public Holidays/Teacher Only Days
Term 3	Monday 22 July	Friday 27 September	<b>Friday 30 August - Teacher Only Day</b>
Term 4	Monday 14 October	Wednesday 18 December	<b>Monday 28 October - Labour Day</b> <b>Tuesday 29 October - Teacher Only Day</b>

## School Term Dates 2025

Term	Start Date	End Date	Public Holidays/Teacher Only Days
Term 1	Monday 3 February	Friday 11 April	<b>Thursday 6 February - Waitangi Day</b> <b>Friday 28 March - Kāhui Ako Teacher Only Day</b>
Term 2	Monday 28 April	Friday 27 June	<b>Monday 2 June - King's Birthday</b> <b>Friday 20 June Matariki</b>
Term 3	Monday 14 July	Friday 19 September	<b>Friday 29 August - Teacher Only Day</b>
Term 4	Monday 6 October	Thursday 18 December	<b>Monday 27 October - Labour Day</b> <b>Tuesday 28 October - Teacher Only Day</b>

### Kelly Club - Check us out on Facebook - [Click Here](#)

For enrolments and enquiries, contact the Supervisor on 021 744636 or [kelburnnormal@kellyclub.co.nz](mailto:kelburnnormal@kellyclub.co.nz)

Kelly Club Programmes focus on giving children aged between 5 and 13 the opportunity to do things they enjoy in a safe, supportive, and encouraging environment.

Kelburn to Enrol go to [www.kellyclub.co.nz](http://www.kellyclub.co.nz)

### Kelly Club - Changes to Childcare Assistance - check if you qualify!

More families will now qualify for Childcare Assistance and the rate will increase for those already qualified, which means you may be eligible for assistance to send your child to Kelly Club. Please follow this link to find out more:

### [Child Subsidies](#)

**TERM 3**

- ✓ Hockey
- ✓ Football
- ✓ Dodgeball
- ✓ Mini Ball

**GO FOR GOLD!**  
Wednesday's 3.00pm-4.00pm  
**BOOKINGS ARE NOW OPEN!**  
[www.kellysports.co.nz](http://www.kellysports.co.nz)

Starts Week 2 of term 3 for 8 weeks!  
contact: adminwgn@kellysports.co.nz

**TERM 3**

**FOOTBALL SKILLS**

- ✓ Team Work
- ✓ Ball Control
- ✓ Dribbling
- ✓ Passing

THE PROGRAMME IS IDEAL FOR BEGINNERS - IT COVERS BOTH INDIVIDUAL AND TEAM SKILLS. COME ALONG TO IMPROVE SKILLS AND CONFIDENCE AND TO GET TO KNOW A BIT MORE ABOUT THE "BEAUTIFUL GAME".

**FRIDAYS 3.30PM-4.30PM**  
Green Room, Ian Galloway Park, Wilton

Starts Week 2 of term 3 for 8 weeks!  
contact: adminwgn@kellysports.co.nz

[www.kellysports.co.nz](http://www.kellysports.co.nz)

## Community Notices

These are provided as a service to the community and do not necessarily reflect the policies and practices of the school.

[Click link to view](#)



Te Kāhui Ako o  
Te Whanganui-A-Tara



# Developing Resilient Teenagers with Dr Judith Locke

Parents are putting more effort than ever into raising their children, but self-esteem, resilience and wellbeing are declining. What's going wrong and how can we better parent our teenagers?

In this unmissable session for parents of teens (and children who will soon be teens) renowned researcher and psychologist Dr Judith Locke will share effective strategies to boost your children's confidence, capability and resilience.

**4 September, 7–8.30pm, at Wellington College**

**RSVP HERE** [forms.gle/V5CgVsmRwaQ1kx228](https://forms.gle/V5CgVsmRwaQ1kx228)

Suggested donation of \$5 per whānau. Doors open at 6.30pm with tea & coffee.



# Teach Your Child to Be a Friend

## ✧ \* Who Doesn't Give Up \* ✧

Use the flashlight analogy to help your child understand how to support their friends. Just like flashlights need fresh batteries, friends may need:

- AAA: Attention, Affection, Acceptance
- C: Compassion
- D: Direction



### 1. Check on Friends Regularly

Encourage your child to check on their friends, especially when they seem to be having a tough time. Explain that friends might not always respond right away, but it's important to keep showing you care.

### 2. Offer Support and Compassion

Teach your child to be there for their friends by listening and offering kind words. Sometimes, just being a good listener is enough.

### 3. Share Your Light

Explain that if a friend is struggling and nothing seems to help, they can still offer their own "light" by being a positive and comforting presence.

### 4. Never Give Up on Friends

Instill the value of persistence in friendship. Let your child know that true friends don't give up on each other during tough times. Encourage them to keep being supportive.

These actions help your child understand the importance of being a good friend and supporting others when they need it most.