

# KELBURN NORMAL SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

## NGĀ TĀTARAKIHI O AHUMAIRANGI PĀNUI

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RAHINA 20 WHIRINGA-Ā-RANGI ~ MONDAY 20 NOVEMBER



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Kia auaha te ako a ngā ākongā me te whai i te iti kahurangi mō te akoranga tūroa

This week:

**Monday 20 November** - PTA Meeting @ 7pm in Tupu Teaching Space. Calendar Art orders close today

**Tuesday 21 November** - Whānui Swimming; international student whānau afternoon tea 2.30p

**Wednesday 22 November** - Māia and Whānui speech finals, New Entrant Starting School Session @ 4.30 pm

**Thursday 23 November** - Wellington College & Girls Orientation for the 2024 Year 9's, Tupu Swimming, International Student & Buddy trip to Zealandia

Kia ora koutou,

We are just a month away from the end of the year. While we are very busy, we are still doing the teaching and learning and expecting our tamariki to be doing their best work (pūkengatanga), showing manaakitanga (care) and whānaungatanga (connections) as we go along together in our last month. We had an excellent school hui last Friday, led by Whānui, which showed our kura in a good heart.

Our foyer last Friday looked delightful as the PTA team started delivering the very well-supported Peony fundraiser. Over 2000 stems were shifted, so thank you, PTA, and to whānau for supporting the PTA team.



**Staffing 2024** - I am pleased to outline to whānau our teaching team for 2024. We are pleased to confirm once again strong stability at Kelburn, a feature of our kura.

Emma Murdoch and Carmen Chambers will leave our team at the end of this year. Emma is moving to Amesbury School as a team leader, and Carmen is moving to part-time work. We are still determining the start date of the 4th new entrant class at this stage, and so Amy Miller finishes up at the end of this year. Jenny Cossey is taking a year's leave to spend with her elderly parents in the UK.

Joining our staff for 2024 will be Niamh Kelly, who will lead the Whānui team and Hugo Miller. Niamh is currently the team leader at South Wellington Intermediate, and we know Hugo as he worked at Kelburn earlier this year with Alistair Button.

Sophie Bishop has been appointed permanently as team leader of Whanake, and Greta de Vries will be returning in 2024 as a part-time teacher. We are pleased to announce that we have retained the services of Brooke Harper and Emily Wilby, and they are now permanently appointed teachers at Kelburn Normal.

So for 2024, the teaching team looks like this -

**Principal** - Andrew

**Deputy Principal** - Danielle Sanders - Area Leader Y1-4; SENCO; School organisation; Staff coordinator; Performing Arts coordinator; Curriculum Leader; part-time teaching.

**Associate principal** - Libya Munn - Area leader Y5-8; Team Leader Y7-8; Curriculum leader; School organisation

**Māia** - Libya Munn, Alistair Button

**Whānui** - Niamh Kelly, Rebekah Rasmussen, and Hugo Miller

**Whanake** - Sophie Bishop, Brooke Harper and Marianne Blair

**Tupu** - Susie Brown, Andrea Molloy, and Emily Wilby

**Zone Athletic results** - Last week, I mentioned that our athletics team performed well at the Zone Athletics. The following students placed in their Zone events and will represent Kelburn at the Inter-Zone athletics tomorrow.

Jude H - 1st Y4 High Jump

Hugo R - 1st Y4 Long jump

Lele C - 2nd Y4 Quoits

Makayla W - 1st = Y5 High Jump

Paddy - 1st Y6 Long jump; 3rd Y6 Sprints and 3rd Y6 High jump

Henry H =- 1st Y6 High jump

Ben C - 3rd Y7 Discus

Jonah L - Yst Y8 100m

Patrick T - 2nd Y8 High jump

Ryder R - 3rd Y8 Long jump

**PTA hui** - The PTA is holding its final hui tonight in the Tupu space at 7pm. A huge thanks to the PTA for the Peony fundraiser and the Tea Towel fundraiser, which is on at present. These are valuable funds raised for the school.

**Speech finals** - Māia and Whānui tamariki have been working hard on researching, preparing and delivering speeches for the annual Speech Competition. The Māia topic is 'Describe the society you would like to live in in 20 years' and the Whānui topic is 'What makes a good leader'. The 7 Māia speeches are from 9.30 until 11, and the 6 Whānui speeches are from 11.45 - 1pm. We have judges from WGC and WC.

**International Students** - We are lucky to have six international students at Kelburn. On Tuesday, we have an international student and whānau afternoon tea at 2.30pm, and on Thursday, our international students and their buddies, and our Hong Kong student teachers have a trip to Zealandia.

**Sweets / Sugary Drinks** - These do not help students to learn and there are increasing amounts of sweets and sugary drinks at school. We are a water-only school with plenty available, and sweets affect students. They do not help concentration for learning, even 1 or 2 as a treat in the lunch box. Please refrain from including these treats in the school bag.

**Out of zone enquiries** ~ we have had a few spaces taken up for 2024, but please note we do have a small number of out-of-zone places currently available for 2024 at all levels, so if you know of people keen to come to Kelburn, please direct them to contact the school office at [admin@kelburnnormal.school.nz](mailto:admin@kelburnnormal.school.nz).

Ngā manaakitanga,  
Andrew

## NEXT WEEK AND UPCOMING

**Musical Refreshment** - next Tuesday is our Musical Refreshment celebration at St Andrews on the Terrace, 6pm.

**Celebration of learning** - on Wednesday 6 December afternoon from 3 - 5pm students host whānau so they can share with them their mahi from the last term and further back. It is an opportunity to take some time and see what your child has done at school, in their space.

**Pack the Bus** - we are collecting gifts for Pack the Bus for the Wellington City Mission. These will be collected on Tuesday 28 November at 12 noon - donations can be left at reception. Donations requested are toys, Christmas food such as chocolates, mince pies, crackers, xmas puddings, chips and non Christmas items like toothbrushes and large size nappies.

# What have we been up to in Māia?

Writing speeches, climbing walls, camping at Pukaha, researching Atua, making art with scanography, studying the science of our bodies, designing structures, constructing polygons, team building activities, playing sport, learning about sexuality, visiting museums, novel studies.

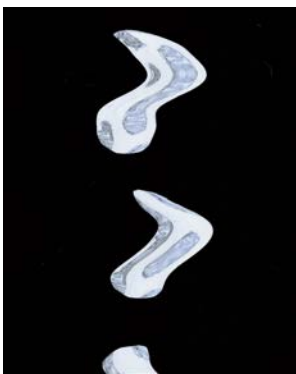
**Speeches:** This year for our speech unit, Māia students were asked to describe the society they would like to live in in 20 years. Students have delved into what would be necessary to create this society, and what forces might militate against it. The outcome was 57 very different speeches, the focus ranging from an AI run society, criminalising the use of fossil fuels, creating a matriarchy, becoming more aware of each other's needs, redistribution of wealth, and designing education for future leaders. If you would like to come and watch our speech finals, you can join us in the hall at **9.30am on Wednesday**.

**Camp:** Our senior camps went very well! We were only the second school group through their brand new facilities, and the children were very impressed with the environment and the activities.



Activities included: bush walks, bird identification, creating moth traps, bug identification, pest tracking, eel feeding, night walks, weaving, and kaka feeding. The children had opportunities to view native animals in their natural habitat, as well as encounters with kokako, gecko, tuatara, and kiwi.

At the formal powhiri James and Jonah each gave a beautiful response in te reo Māori on behalf of our groups. The kaiako at Pūkaha were moved by the students' rendition of Toia Mai, one of them commenting that watching the performance gave her a sense of peace that she was in the right job. Perhaps it was due to their rehearsal in the rain at the top of the Rimutakas? More likely thanks to the excellent tutelage of Henare, Jeremy, and Matua Jason.



## Looking Ahead - Event Dates - Term 4

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

Week	Date	Event
<b>Week 7</b>	Monday 20 November	PTA Meeting in Tupu Space 7:00pm - 8:00pm, Calendar Art orders closed today
	Tuesday 21 November	Whānui Swimming @ Kilbirnie Aquatic Centre departing @ 10.50 am and returning to school by 1 pm
	Wednesday 22 November	Māia and Whānui speech finals 9:30am - 1:00pm New Entrant Chit Chat for parents 4:30pm - 5:30pm
	Thursday 23 November	Wellington College Orientation/Induction Day for the 2024 Year 9's Tupu Swimming: Tupu Brown @ 9am, Tupu Molloy @ 9:15am; Tupu Wilby @ 10:00am, Tupu Miller @ 10:15am
<b>Week 8</b>	Monday 27 November	Gardasil 2nd Dose Y7/8, Board of Trustees Meeting @ 6.30 pm in the staffroom
	Tuesday 28 November	Whānui Swimming @ Kilbirnie Aquatic Centre departing @ 10.50 am and returning to school by 1 pm Pack the Bus donations collected at 12 noon <b>Musical Refreshment @ St Andrew's on the Terrace 6pm</b>
	Thursday 30 November	Tupu Swimming:Tupu Brown @ 9am, Tupu Molloy @ 9:15am; Tupu Wilby @ 10:00am, Tupu Miller @ 10:15am Wellington High School - Experience Day for Y8s <b>enrolled</b> in 2024.
<b>Week 9</b>	Tuesday 5 December	Whānui Swimming @ Kilbirnie Aquatic Centre departing @ 10.50 am and returning to school by 1 pm Senior Netball Team vs Staff 1.15 pm to 2.15 pm
	Wednesday 6 December	Celebration of Learning 3 pm to 5 pm
	Friday 8 December	School Hui @ 10.15 am
<b>Week 10</b>	Tuesday 12 December	Whānui Swimming @ Kilbirnie Aquatic Centre departing @ 10.50 am and returning to school by 1 pm Maia Rogaine 9:30am - 12:30pm
	Wednesday 13 December	Whanake Rogaine 9:00am - 12:30pm; Whānui Rogaine 12:00pm - 3:00pm
	Friday 15 December	Xmas School Hui at 10.15 am
<b>Week 11</b>	Monday 18 December	Y8 Leavers Dinners from 6pm
	Tuesday 19 December	Leavers Assembly from 11.50 am School Water Fight 1.45 - 2.45 pm
	Wednesday 20 December	<b>School finishes at 12 noon</b>

## School Notices

**Parking Boundary Rd** ~ Please **do not** park in front of the garages on Boundary Road. We have received complaints from neighbours who regularly have their vehicles blocked in by parents who have parked in front of their garage.

Our public health nurses are coming to your school in the week starting 27 November to provide immunisation for Y7 and Y8 tamariki, including catch-ups for any tamariki who have previously missed their vaccine. If you have changed your mind or your situation has changed please contact us at [res-immunisation@huttvalleydhb.org.nz](mailto:res-immunisation@huttvalleydhb.org.nz), or call us on 04 587 2949

If you have not yet consented, but want to, please collect a consent form from the school office or contact us on 04 587 2949

If you have any questions or concerns please contact us at [res-immunisation@huttvalleydhb.org.nz](mailto:res-immunisation@huttvalleydhb.org.nz), or call us on 04 587 2949

**Some reminders** as we head into the warmer months (hopefully) :-

- Please ensure your child has their sunhat at school everyday and that it is clearly named.
- Please name all clothing, lunchboxes, drink bottles and tupperware so we can find the owner if left outside.
- Now that the weather is warmer, please consider walking to school as often as possible. We know a large percentage of the school population live within 1km of the school therefore a good brisk walk to and from school is a great way to look after the physical well-being of whānau as well as look after the environment.
- If your child is going to be away then please notify the school via the App, ring 04 4759351 or email [admin@kelburnnormal.school.nz](mailto:admin@kelburnnormal.school.nz)
- For those using the drop-off zone on Kowhai Rd please ensure you adhere to the time restrictions.

**Next year** - If you have siblings turning 5, please let us know or complete the [enrolment form](#) on our website so we can plan for their arrival. If your whānau is moving and your child may be attending another school please let us know too...it helps us plan our organisation for 2024.

**Out of zone places** - we do have a small number of out of zone places currently available for 2024 at all levels so if you know of people keen to come to Kelburn please direct them to contact the school office at [admin@kelburnnormal.school.nz](mailto:admin@kelburnnormal.school.nz).

**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](#)

### **KNS Parent Chat WhatsApp Group**

The PTA has a WhatsApp group to enable all the KNS community to communicate with each other about all things KNS. If you want to join this group, please email us on [pta@kelburnnormal.school.nz](mailto:pta@kelburnnormal.school.nz) with the following information:

- Your name
- Your phone number
- Your child's name and class

**Masks** - Tamariki are welcome to wear a mask at school if they wish to and it makes them feel safe.

### **School App - Contact Details**

Please check your contact details on the school app to ensure we have the correct details. If changes are needed please email these to [admin@kelburnnormal.school.nz](mailto:admin@kelburnnormal.school.nz)

**Teacher Messages** - a sort option has been added to the teacher messages section on the school app so parents can easily search for the latest message in date order.

**Downloading the app** - for those needing assistance with downloading the app please check the app [login video](#) on our website for parents

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### PTA News

#### Parent Volunteers for Road Patrol Needed

Thank you to our amazing parent volunteers who keep our KNS children safe supervising the road patrol crossings. KNS is unusual – we have two crossing points and need twice the number of volunteers than most other schools. Several of our volunteers are leaving the school at the end of the year and we urgently need more parent volunteers to fill our roster for 2024. Morning shift is 8.20–8.50am and Afternoon is 2.50–3.20 pm. The role is providing support and backing-up your crew of trained road patrollers. Please email the PTA if you're keen to help.

**The next PTA meeting** will be on tonight Monday 20<sup>th</sup> November @7pm in the Tupu Space. Everyone is welcome.

### School Term Dates 2024

Term	Start Date	End Date	Public Holidays/Teacher Only Days
Term 1	Wednesday 31 January	Friday 12 April	<b>Tuesday 6 February - Waitangi Day</b> <b>Thursday 28 March - Kāhui Ako Teacher Only Day</b> <b>Friday 29 March - Easter Friday</b> <b>Monday 1 April - Easter Monday</b> <b>Tuesday 2 April - Easter Tuesday</b>
Term 2	Monday 29 April	Friday 5 July	<b>Friday 31 May - Teacher Only Day</b> <b>Monday 3 June - King's Birthday</b> <b>Friday 28 June - Matariki</b>
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>

# Specific Steps to Teaching Your Child Self-Regulation

## Imagine this:

Your child bursts through the door, slams it, and throws their backpack on the floor.

**Instead of:** "This is NOT how we enter this house!"

**You say:** "Wow, you must have had a horrible day. What happened?"

## Your child says... "I hate my teacher! She is so stupid!"

**Instead of:** "How dare you talk like that!"

**You say:** "She did something that got you really mad."

## A few minutes later, when your child is calmer...

**You say:** "Why don't you sit down and have something to eat or drink? You can tell me what happened."

**Let your child talk without correcting them or arguing.**  
**This will further calm their nervous system.**

Then, address their behavior: "I know you are mad at your teacher. However, every person deserves respect, even when we are mad at them. Let's make a plan of what you can do when you're feeling very mad at someone."

## Key takeaways:



- When children are dysregulated, we cannot teach them a lesson.
- Saying "Don't talk like that!" will just cause your child to shut down and undermine your connection with them.
- It is YOUR calm and empathetic response that will teach their nervous system that it is possible to be upset about a situation and keep your anger in check.

### 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:

[https://drive.google.com/file/d/1EgHRGbeAEvTHYilaBHp7uauZzw\\_mwIJA/view](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1EgHRGbeAEvTHYilaBHp7uauZzw_mwIJA/view)

### 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 SPORTS IS BACK FOR TERM 4 – SPRINT INTO SPORTS!!

Wednesday's 3.05pm – 4.05pm, starts Wednesday 18 October 2023 for 8 weeks.

The Kelly Sports sessions are a great way to improve your child's motor skills and coordination within a FUN environment. We aim to develop and enhance balls skills, catching, kicking and throwing, while improving strength, flexibility, hand/eye coordination and spatial awareness.

In Term 4 we will be focusing on the following sports:

**T-Ball, Athletics, Cricket and Football!**

We teach new skills and improve ability by using games, drills and exercises. It's a great way to try new sports, improve skills and maintain fitness – all while having FUN!

To Enrol go to [www.kellysports.co.nz](http://www.kellysports.co.nz) and in the school box put "Kelburn"



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