

KELBURN NORMAL SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

NGĀ TĀTARAKIHI O AHUMAIRANGI PĀNUI

THE BIRD'S EYE VIEW

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RĀHINA 2 MAHURU ~ MONDAY 2 SEPTEMBER



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

Wednesday 4 September - Kids Sing Event - Lyrica & Piccolo 9am - 11am, 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

Kia ora koutou e te whānau,

Thank you for your support for the 3-way Conversations and Goal Review last Friday. It is always good to engage with tamariki and whānau about student progress and to set goals. The conversations were overwhelmingly positive, so thank you. These are very intensive for staff, and they have commented on how much better it is for them to do these throughout the day than in the afternoons/evenings after a full day's teaching. As always, we encourage you to keep up the dialogue with your child's teacher if you need any information from us.

Throughout the day, many whānau asked how they could help their children progress or what they could do to support their learning. Some ways that whānau can play a positive role in their child experiencing success over the 12-13 years that they are at school are to -

- Encourage reading and curiosity by fostering a love of reading with your children or by role-modelling reading and encouraging curiosity by supporting hobbies, doing things, exploring topics of interest, and visiting museums.
- Retain your role as your child's first teacher - talk with them and share knowledge and stories, read and write with them, listen to them read, master basic facts, play games, do puzzles together....
- Build confidence and resilience by recognising and celebrating their success no matter how small they are. Support them through challenges and setbacks they may experience at school when things don't go so well.
- Encourage a growth mindset by emphasising effort, persistence, and learning from experience and challenges. Encourage children to set attainable goals —write them down and celebrate when they are met.
- Promote healthy habits and teach organisational skills by developing routines at home such as consistent wake-up time, dinner times, and bedtime - getting enough sleep is vital for concentration and memory; a balanced diet for cognitive function and energy, and supporting regular exercise to help reduce stress and improve focus.
- Foster a positive attitude towards your child's school by talking about it positively and modelling enthusiasm for school and learning. Encourage a desire to learn things outside of the classroom. Be positive about the teachers and the school.
- Limit distractions—Set limits on devices and TV so children can develop ways of active concentration, such as reading, playing, and engaging in games with others.

I encourage you to attend Dr Judith Locke this Wednesday 4 September - Judith is a highly regarded speaker and the author of The Bonsai Student - Developing Resilient Teenagers. She is speaking this Wednesday at Wellington College 7.00 to 8.30. This is not to be missed, so pop it into your diary now. [Please click here to secure your seat.](#)

Music Assembly - Last Thursday, our music ensembles shared their mahi so far this year. They all did a great job getting up on stage and performing with their instruments or singing. I was impressed by our attentive audience too.

We started with a strong performance from the orchestra, sounding tuneful and keeping in time, followed by Piccolo singing beautifully. Next were our two xylophone groups:- Xylofun, which shared their mahi and kept in time, and Xylobeats, showcasing their ability to work and play together. Our youngest choir, Tui, shared some of their favourite songs and sang so sweetly. We finished with our senior choir Lyrica who performed a difficult song, Killer Queen and managed to make it sound effortless. Well done to our performances for all the effort they put in. A big thank you to our music kaiako, who put in the extra mahi to support our ensembles.

Book Week Dress Up winners - we loved that so many of our tamariki and staff entered into the spirit and dressed up for Book Week. Congratulations to our Ara winners...



Tupu winners
Mila as Frida Kahlo
George as Tintin



Whanake winners
Stella (Annie Shearer from 'Runt' by Craig Silvey)
James (The BFG from 'The BFG' by Roald Dahl)



Whānui winners
Elliot S as Carrot the Parrot from The Mapmakers' Race
Anoushka as the Dragon from Wings of Fire



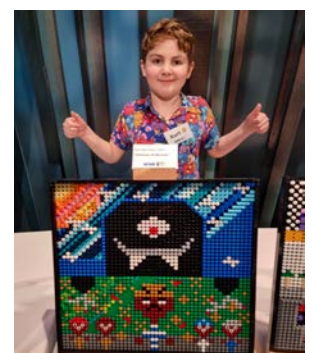
Māia Winners

Nina as Harry Wormwood

Cindy as the bird from the Juniper Tree

Well done Kurt - Autism NZ with Lego NZ and Te Papa hold an exhibition each year. It has been going for 4 years now. Kurt was selected to take part and was given a lego pack to create a 3D image which was exhibited in Te Papa over the weekend. What a wonderful achievement Kurt!

PTA working bee - Our next school working bee will be on Saturday 21st 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!



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 the latest update from the Tupu team?



What an action-packed five weeks of PMP the tamariki have had. The progress they have made is clear, but the enjoyment has outshone all of this. We are endlessly grateful to the many whānau who have given up their time to support, encourage, and guide us on Tuesday and Thursday mornings.



Tupu Rua has been doing some great mathematical mahi. We have been looking at how we can use skip count to solve different story problems, rather than counting all of the objects. We found it is a much speedier way to count. We worked together to draw a picture and then used skip counting to figure out our answer. Great teamwork was used to solve our questions.



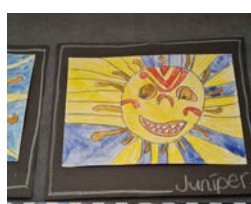
Tupu Tahī has enjoyed diving deeper into the adventures of Maui. We explored the story of how Maui slowed the sun and used this story to inspire our own writing and art skills.

It is night time. Me and my friends are getting ready for the sun to rise. Me and my brothers walk and walk and walk to catch the sun. Just then the ground began to get hot. The sun was really angry. By Evie

It is night time. I am the sun. It is time for me to rise. Maui caught me and I was angry- By George

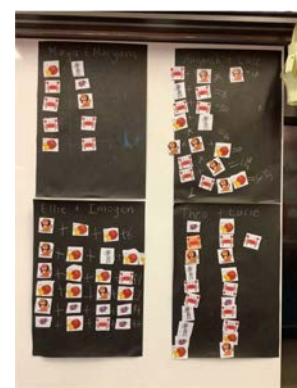
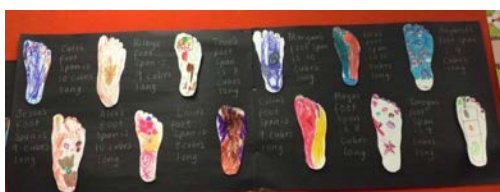
It is day time and Maui is using the rock to hit me. I was confused when the rock hit me. I was angry. I threw flames at him. He threw rocks at me. By Ava

I am the sun. It is night time. I am asleep. I woke up in the day. Maui caught me. Maui was trying to slow me down. By Juniper



Tupu Wha had lots of fun during Maths Week reading and doing activities around the story: One is a Snail, Ten is a Crab. We started off

by thinking about how many legs different animals have and that if we add them together, we can make bigger numbers. Then we checked



for ourselves and made different numbers with our learning buddies using the legs of animals, for example: two crabs makes 20; one dog and two snails makes 6; and a human and a snail makes 3. We investigated how many legs there were in the whole of Tupu and found out that Tupu Rua had the most that day. We moved from legs to feet. We drew around one of our feet and used cubes to measure the length of our feet. Everyone had a footspan of either 8, 9 or 10 cubes.



Tupu Toru has loved following the many exciting events of the Paris Olympics. In writing, the tamariki imagined themselves as Olympians and wrote about their experiences participating in the 2024 games. They created these fun and effective sculptures of athletes acting out their chosen sport. Here are some extracts of their writing: Natalia - *I am doing Gymnastics and I am representing Sri Lanka. I practised for a long time. I am nervous but I am excited as well.*

Arthur - *I am in the Olympics and I am so, so happy. My sport is football and my team is Thailand. I hope my family can see me on TV.*

Seth - *I tackled but they got the ball, the whistle has gone. We scored straight away and the other team got a yellow card.*

Frankie - *Eek, I can't believe we made it to the Olympics! We will be doing artistic gymnastics and we are representing New Zealand. We are the flippers. I am scared because I might mess up a trick.*

What will we be up to next in the Tupu team...stay tuned to find out.

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
Week 7	Wednesday 4 September	Kids Sing Event - Lyrica & Piccolo 9am - 11am 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, Scholastic Book orders close
Week 8	Monday 9 September	BoT Meeting @ 6.30 pm PTA Meeting @ 7pm
	Thursday 12 September	Whanake BSLA Update 4.30 pm to 5.30 pm
	Friday 13 September	School hui hosted by Whānui at 10.15 am, Onesie Day
Week 9	Thursday 19 September	No Tech, Māia Plays @ Gryphon Theatre, Māia Tahī @ 6 pm, Māia Rua @ 7pm
	Saturday 21 September	PTA Working Bee from 9 am to 11 am

Week 10	Monday 23 September	Wgtn Orchestra Festival at WC Year 5-8 9am - 5pm
	Tuesday 24 September	Tupu Drama sharing - Toru Clementine and Tupu Whā @ 2pm
	Wednesday 25 September	Tupu Drama sharing - Tahi Brown and Rua Molloy @ 2 pm
	Thursday 26 September	Band concert @ 11 am

PTA News

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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 6th September. Any questions email 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 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

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](#)

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.

School Clubs and Ensembles Timetable

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Xylobeats - (Ys 4,5, 6) 8.30 - 9.30am Katharina Mahler Room	Orchestra - 8.30 - 9.30am Katharina & Rachel Mahler Room	Piccolo - (Yrs 4, 5, 6, 7) 8.30 - 9.30am Anna Sedcole Mahler Room	Lyrice - Yrs 5 - 8 8.30am-9.30 am Anna Sedcole Mahler Room	Little Xylofun (Ys 2 & 3) 8.30 - 9.00am Katharina Mahler Room
Kapa Haka - Y1-4 1.30 - 2pm Miss Bishop & Jeremy Hall	Code Club - 1.10 - 1.40pm Miss Bishop/Miss Sanders Māia space	Tui Choir - (Years 2 & 3) 8:50am Ms Wilby Hall		Kapa Haka - Yrs 5 - 8 8.30 - 9.30am Mrs Smith&Ms Rasmussen Hall
Eco Club - 1.10-1.40pm Miss Molloy Tupu space		Chess Club - 1.10 - 1.40pm 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	Friday 30 August - Teacher Only Day
Term 4	Monday 14 October	Wednesday 18 December	Monday 28 October - Labour Day Tuesday 29 October - Teacher Only Day

School Term Dates 2025

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

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

For enrolments and enquiries, contact the Supervisor on 021 744636 or 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

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-4.45pm
BOOKINGS ARE NOW OPEN!
www.kellysports.co.nz

Starts Week 2 of term 3 for 8 weeks!
contact: adminwgtm@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

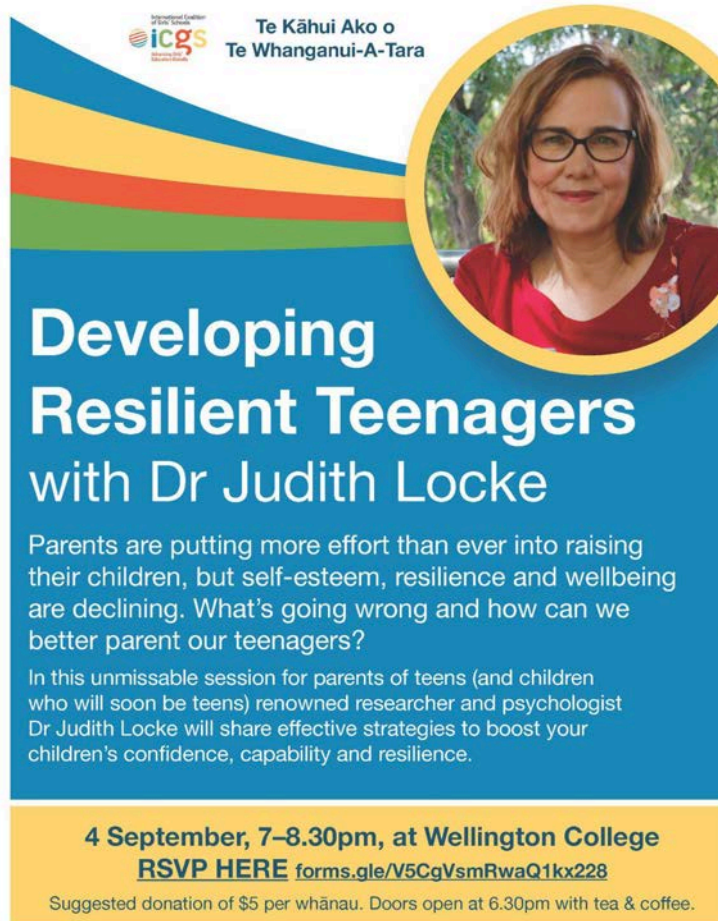
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Community Notices

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

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



How to Plant "I Can" Seeds

A Step-by-Step Guide



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