KELBURN NORMAL SCHOOL NEWSLETTER NGĀ TĀTARAKIHI O AHUMAIRANGI PĀNUI THE BIRD'S EYE VIEW ISSUE 35 WEEK 5, TERM 4 2023 RAHINA 6 WHIRINGA-Ā-RANGI ~ MONDAY 6 NOVEMBER



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

This week:

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Whakatauki ~ Tungia te ururoa kia tupu, whakaritorito te tipu o te karakeke ~ Clear away the undergrowth, let the new flax shoots spring through.

Kia ora koutou,

Gosh, it is hard to believe we are in week 5 of term 4. The year has flown by. We have tired children at school today after halloween, camps, and Guy Fawkes! This is just a reminder that our tamariki are still little, and so early to bed makes them ready for school the next day.

I was reflecting on the challenge of the last couple of years and how enjoyable this year has been without the Covid interruptions of previous years. The challenge of Covid has had a big effect on all of us, including our tamariki and I feel Kelburn, with our quiet way of operating and high standards, has offered the tamariki a really good chance to get back into the normal routine of 2023. For our youngest children, this year is a very different school year from their previous years. Certainly, the school feels good, despite a few bumps and bruises here and there. School hui on Friday, led by Tupu, was a really enjoyable affair, and the spirit within the school at this celebration was just lovely to see.

Māia Camp at Pukāha and Whanake sleepover at the Zoo ~ Last week Māia ventured up to Mt Bruce for an overnight stay at Pukāha, the bird sanctuary at Mt Bruce. What a wonderful venue and a really neat science experience to learn about the work of conservation and rebuilding endangered bird populations. On the way back, they visited the Aratoi Art Museum in Masterton. Last Thursday, Whanake Bishop slept over at the zoo, which was a first for our youngest tamariki. I want to say thank you to all the organisers, staff, and parent helpers for making this possible and to Libya Munn and Sophie Bishop for their organisation and planning. It is a big responsibility.

Parking ~ I'm still working through the challenge of pickup at 3pm at Kelburn. It is a frustrating experience for many. We have a lovely set of volunteers who are gradually stepping away from offering their time to support us all and keep us safe, because of the challenge of managing the traffic in Kowhai Rd. They are there to support the children doing road patrol and for the children to cross the road safely, not to manage the adults' parking. I have asked Claire, who coordinates these volunteers, to instruct them to do just that and to not engage with people leaving their cars, parking beyond P3 or double parking. We'll use Parking Wardens or the Police to do that. The chances of getting one of the four slots available are not good, so let us go through it again...

- The best strategy is to park a wee way away from school and walk and collect your child. It is not the norm in NZ to be able to get a park right outside the school gate.
- Your children need to know the plan...children often do not go to the pick-up swiftly, which adds to the blockage

- If you come down Kowhai Rd, and there are no parks, then you must exit Kowhai Rd and return. Yes it's cumbersome, but you **cannot** double park it blocks traffic flow.
- Adults must role model the correct behaviour to children use the pedestrian crossings. Do not walk across
 Kowhai Rd that makes our job harder with the children when adults don't do the correct thing and children
 are being told differently. I refer to crossing at the top of Kowhai Rd, which is very dangerous at drop off and
 pick up time.

Camp donations - While education is free in New Zealand, there are some things we do at Kelburn (like other schools) that incur a cost outside of our operational budget. Camps, trips and activities are examples of these additional costs. While we can accommodate situations of hardship, we do require whānau to reimburse the school if their child has enjoyed the experience otherwise, the cost has to be absorbed by the school, and as we have explained multiple times, we do not receive the operational funding to be able to provide what we would like to. We urge whanau to make their camp, trip and activity, and school donation, to ensure we can continue to do the extras that add so much to the Kelburn experience. Of course, all donations to the school are complemented with a receipt and eligible for a 33% tax rebate, taking a third of the cost.

School leavers ~ Please let us know if your child, or family are leaving kelburn at the end of this year. It helps with our planning as we go forward.

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.

Ngā manaakitanga, Andrew

THIS WEEK

It is another busy week at Kelburn this week.

Māia are heading downtown to have an EOTC experience at Ferg's Kayaking and Rock Climbing. This is part of their team-building and EOTC experience.

Wellington Girls College transition meetings are on Wednesday afternoon.

Athletics - Our Western Zone Athletic team heads to Newtown Park on Friday to represent the school against the other local schools.

Whanake Sleepover - this Thursday Whanake Blair and Harper will be attending the zoo sleepover.

Annual KNS Talent Quest - Wednesday 8 November

This year's talent quest will be held after school on Wednesday 8 November in the school hall. The Junior Talent Quest (Years 1–4) will be followed by the Senior Talent Quest (Years 5–8). The talent quest is a much-loved KNS tradition where tamariki get to share what they love to do.

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.

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		
Week 5	Tuesday 7 November	Whānui Swimming @ Kilbirnie Aquatic Centre departing @ 10.50 am and returning to school by 1 pm Maia Rock climbing + Kayaking 9am - 3pm		
	Wednesday 8 November	Talent Quest in the Hall 3pm Junior Y1-4 followed by the Senior Y5-8		
	Thursday 9 November	Whanake Blair and Harper Zoo Sleepover TUPU Swimming: Tupu Brown @ 9am, Tupu Molloy @ 9:15am Tupu Wilby @ 10:00am, Tupu Miller @ 10:15am		
Week 6	Tuesday 14 November	Whānui Swimming @ Kilbirnie Aquatic Centre departing @ 10.50 am and returning to school by 1 pm		
	Thursday 16 November	TUPU Swimming: Tupu Brown @ 9am, Tupu Molloy @ 9:15am Tupu Wilby @ 10:00am, Tupu Miller @ 10:15am		
Friday 17 November S		School Hui @ 10.15 am		
Week 7	Monday 20 November	PTA Meeting in Tupu Space 7:00pm - 8:00pm		
	Tuesday 21 November	Whānui Swimming @ Kilbirnie Aquatic Centre departing @ 10.50 am and returning to school by 1 pm		
	Wednesday 22 November	Maia and Whanui speech finals 9:30am - 1:00pm		
	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		
Week 8	Monday 27 November	Gardasil 2nd Dose Y7/8, Board of Trustees Meeting @ 6.30 pm in the staffroom Board Meeting 6:30pm		
	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 Musical Refreshment @ St Andrew's on the Terrace 6pm		
	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 enrolled in 2024.		
Week 9	Tuesday 5 December	Whānui Swimming @ Kilbirnie Aquatic Centre departing @ 10.50 am and		

		returning to school by 1 pm Senior Netball Team vrs 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	
Week 10	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 Whanui Rogaine 12:00pm - 3:00pm	
	Friday 15 December	Xmas School Hui at 10.15 am	
Week 11	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	School finishes at 12 noon	

School Notices

Headlice - there is headlice in the school. Please check your child's hair regularly and follow the <u>Ministry of Health</u> <u>guidelines</u> for treatment.

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
- 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 <u>enrolment form</u> 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.

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 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@kelburnormal.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 <u>login video</u> on our website for parents

EzLunch Menu - Subway Wednesday / Pizza Thursday / Sushi Friday Click here for the Menu

PTA News

Help us fund gully maintenance by purchasing a

KNS Gully Tea Towel!



A GREAT GIFT OR KEEPSAKE!

100% cotton Natural colour Easily mailed Long lasting

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You can buy these awesome tea towels:

- at the school office. [EFTPOS AVAILABLE.]
- online via mykindo
- online via Google form and bank transfer [CLICK HERE FOR FORM]

[COLLECTION AND FREE LOCAL DELIVERY AVAILABLE]





The PTA is running their popular Peony fundraiser.

Peony stems are \$5 each and will be delivered fresh from the market on *Friday 17 November*.

Stems must be pre-ordered by 8pm 12th November, for collection at school drop off or pick up on Friday 17 November.

Please order using the form here: Peony Order Form

Payment to the PTA Account by Wednesday 15th Nov, EFTPOS is available at the office

Peony Flowers \$5 per stem

It's time to order Kids Art!

Affordable Calendars, Cards, Diaries, Mouse Mats and Sketch Pads with your child's own artwork. If your child did not return any artwork to school you HAVEN'T missed out. Follow the below instructions and you can upload a photo.

Each product is made from your own child's art and every purchase raises funds for our school. These make unique Christmas gifts for family and friends and are perfect for posting overseas.

Follow these instructions to place your order online:

1/. Go to www.kidsartworks.com

2/. Use the Entrance Code: KZ1943

3/. Enter your child's room & amp; name when prompted

The order is open from today until Monday 20 November

Payment can be made over the website via credit card or account2account.

If you have any questions please contact Andrea Bergstrom agudsell@hotmail.com

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 Monday 20th November @7pm in the Tupu Space. Everyone is welcome.



How to Be a Supportive Parent



Over-parenting is overprotecting, overdirecting, and doing a lot of hand-holding. Overparenting can damage healthy development and lead to low self-esteem and high co-dependence.



A better alternative is supportive parenting, trusting that your child can do hard things and give them space and support.

Over-parenting is...

giving lots of reminders & warnings:

"You can't do that. You're too small."

→ over-perfecting:

"What happened on this test? You usually get A's in this class."

removing personal responsibility:

"Let me check your answers one more time."

projecting your goals:

"You've got to try out for soccer! I loved it when I was your age!"

Supportive parenting is...

→ age-appropriate guidance: "What's your plan on climbing." "The property of the proper

"What's your plan on climbing down?"

→ focusing on progress:

"Everyone slips up sometimes. Let's brainstorm ideas you can try next time."

allowing natural consequences:

"I trust you did your best. And if you made mistakes, that's how you learn."

helping them set their own goals:

"I loved soccer growing up. What sport would you be interested in trying?"

The goal of supportive parenting is to instill confidence in your child and to equip them to handle hard things in the future.

School Term Dates 2024

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

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_mwlJA/view

Kelly Club - Check us out on Facebook - Click Here

For enrolments and enquiries, contact the Supervisor on 021 744636 or 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 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 <u>www.kellysports.co.nz</u> and in the school box put "Kelburn"

