KELBURN NORMAL SCHOOL NEWSLETTER NGĀ TĀTARAKIHI O AHUMAIRANGI PĀNUI THE BIRD'S EYE VIEW ISSUE 39 WEEK 9, TERM 4 2023



RAHINA 4 HAKIHEA ~ MONDAY 4 DECEMBER

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:

Tuesday 5 December - Whānui Swimming, Senior Netball Team vs Staff 1.15 pm Wednesday 6 December - Celebration of Learning 3pm to 5 pm Friday 8 December - School Hui @ 10.15 am

Kia ora koutou,

As we enter the last two and a bit weeks of school we continue to keep things on track.

End-of-year reports -

Tamariki end-of-year reports will be available online this year and will be issued next Thursday 14 December. I am enjoying reading these and seeing the progress



and the positive work the children have done this year. The report summarises the children's general achievement in key aspects of the curriculum area against the expected level. It is a broad grade indicating how well they are travelling against the appropriate expected level. Completing the report is a set of comments that are both reflective and future-focussed in English, Maths and a general comment, and I encourage you to slowly read them one line at a time and talk to your child about what this may mean for them going forward. Like last year, you will not receive a printed copy, and these will be live through the school app.

2024 Home Learning Groups - tamariki will get a chance to spend time in their 2024 home learning team, with next year's teacher next Thursday. This is a chance to meet their teacher and their teammates for next year.

Celebration of Learning - The tamariki are preparing to share their learning for the Celebration of Learning this Wednesday 6th December, from 3 until 5.00 pm. Please come into the spaces and let your child show you their good work and what they have been learning and doing at school.

Musical Refreshment - what a wonderful event last Tuesday in St Andrews on the Terrace. It was lovely to see our tamariki in their ensembles and also hear our music teachers share their talents as well. For our year 8 students, many have been up on stage since they could be first in Tui choir, and so there are 'rights of passage' at KNS. Thank you for your support, and to all the participants and performers and to Danielle for her organisation.

Thank you for the koha at Musical Refreshment, which raised \$453.50 for the Red Cross.

Speech Finals - Just a correction to last week's Pānui - Esther B finished second in the Y5-6 speech finals, so the placing in Whānui were - 1st - Michaela M 2nd - Esther B 3rd - Paddy C

School Donation and Activity Donation:- Please see the visual below for how we have spent the School Donation in 2023. As always, we have had a good response from whānau but we are still sitting below our budgeted figure for 2023 and so we do need your contributions. Things such as camps and the cost of swimming for example, are not funded through our Operations Grant, and while we do acknowledge that times are tough, we really do appreciate the activity contribution as it enables us to cover the costs of the additional activities and opportunities that our tamariki have had as part of their experience at Kelburn. This year the General School Donations have enabled us to invest in BSLA in the junior school, additional teachers to keep the class sizes smaller, learning support staff, Sports opportunities and extra PE equipment, keeping up the technologies which the school supplies...and much more. These tangible investments are only possible because whānau contribute to the School Donation.

Ngā manaakitanga, Andrew

NEXT WEEK AND UPCOMING

- Next Monday and Thursday Tupu Christmas craft is on
- Next Tuesday is the Māia Rogaine and next Wednesday is the Whanake and Whānui Rogaine
- Next Thursday tamariki have some time in their new Home Learning Teams with their teacher for next year.
- Next Friday 15th is the Xmas hui and the Band Concert
- On Monday 18 December is the Y8 leavers dinner



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 9	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		
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; Whānui Rogaine 12:00pm - 3:00pm		
	Friday 15 December	Xmas School Hui at 10.15 am, Band concert 1 - 1.40 pm		
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

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, 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, 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
- 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

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.

Don't forget to buy your Tea Towels.



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.





BOOK ONLINE NOW AT www.kellyclub.co.nz

Tues 16 Jan, Weds 17 Jan, Thurs 18 Jan 2024 Tues 23 Jan, Weds 24 Jan, Thurs 25 Jan 2024 9.30am-12.30pm

For children aged 5-12 years

Held in the Green Room (artificial turf) at the Wests Rugby clubrooms, Ian Galloway park, Wilton.

This programme is perfect for "Beginner's" and those wanting to find out more about the game and have fun. Come along and improve technique, knowledge and skills.

In this programme we will focus on the core skills of control, dribbling, passing, tackling and shooting but MOST importantly having as much FUN as possible!

Book online at www.kellysports.co.nz



BIGAIR GYMS popular December Drop & Shop Holiday Programme is back, running Mon 18th – Wed 20th December 2023! Full day and half day sessions are available. This is a wonderful opportunity for kids to keep active, while you get those final pre-Christmas preparations done! BIGAIR GYMS January Holiday Programme is also running Mon 8th – 26th Jan 2024. Bookings are open online now at www.bigairgym.co.nz Please contact us with any inquiries:

Bigair Gym Owhiro Bay: ph. 383 8779, e. wgtn@bigairgym.co.nz at 14 Landfill Road, Owhiro Bay.

Bigair Gym Tawa: ph. 232 3508, e. office@bigairgym.co.nz at 10b Surrey Street, Tawa.