

KELBURN NORMAL SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

NGĀ TĀTARAKIHI O AHUMAIRANGI PĀNUI

THE BIRD'S EYE VIEW ISSUE 33 WEEK 2, TERM 4 2023

RAMERE 20 WHIRINGA-Ā-NUKU ~ FRIDAY 20 OCTOBER



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

This week:

Monday 23 October - School Closed Labour Day

Tuesday 24 October - School Closed for Teacher Only Day - 3 Way Conferences to be held on this day

Wednesday 25 October - Whole school athletics @ Ben Burn Park, Karori

Thursday 26 October - TUPU Swimming: Tupu Brown @ 9am, Tupu Molloy @ 9:15am, Tupu Wilby @ 10:00am, Tupu Miller @ 10:15am

Friday 27 October - Y3-Y6 Hansel & Gretel NZ Ballet

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,

A reminder that it is Labour Day on Monday and school is closed for Teacher only Day on Tuesday.

We had a difficult day on Tuesday with parking around the school in the wet weather. I have already emailed whānau, the reality being that the safety of our tamariki and whānau far outweighs the convenience of parking your vehicle close to the school gate. I am aware that our parent volunteers, when pointing out to others when they are breaking the law, often experience negative interactions or at times abuse. Can you stop this please. We are a school and we are tasked with growing children to be good citizens, to become good people. The adult role modelling for our children at our kura has to be of the highest quality, so the tamariki learn to do things the right way. I have done a SPOTLIGHT on our road systems to help whānau understand and you can see this by scrolling down.

The PTA met on Monday with 11 people in attendance. We appreciate this. The PTA has an update for whānau in a section below in this panui. As discussed the PTA is a valued and vital part of the school that brings whānau together as well as raising much needed funds for the school to benefit our children.

As always it's been a busy week -

- The Funky Monkeyz and Jeremy were off to Lower Hutt this morning to represent Kelburn at the Battle of the Bands. As they rehearse under my office I can confirm that they, and the other bands, have become quite tuneful throughout the year! They were sounding very good yesterday.
- On Wednesday we hosted for Y1-Y4 the Show Me The Shorts Films Festival in the school hall from 1.30 pm.
- Yesterday we hosted a team from the NZ Ballet working with Y3-6. Next Friday 27 October our Y3-6 students will be attending the Hansel and Gretel NZ Ballet.

Camps/Sleepovers ~ Looking ahead on the calendar I can see that in week 4 we have the Māia camps to Pukaha, as well as the Whanake sleepover at the Zoo. The 2024 Whānui camp notification has gone out to Y4-5 whānau.

Athletic Sports - is now on Wednesday 25 October at Ben Burn Park. The children depart KNS at 9 am and return at 1.30 pm.

3-way Learning Conversations - if you have missed out on 3-way Learning Conferences and Goal Review this week we still have slots available on the Teacher Only Day on Tuesday 24 October. Please book your time by [clicking here](#) and entering the code - **ycqgf**

Working Bee - Following on from our successful election day - come and join the PTA on Saturday 28th October from 9am – 11am (come when you can and stay as long as you want) to tidy up some of our garden spaces. Some tools are supplied, but bring your own if you can. Message us at pta@kelburnnormal.school.nz if you have any questions. We look forward to seeing you there.

We have had out of zone enquiries and 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



Spotlight on Parking around Kelburn Normal School.

It's time to remind everyone about how to be a responsible member of the Kelburn Normal School community. In particular, when dropping off your child to school or when picking them up at the end of the school day.

What's the problem? From time to time we witness incidences of poor parking or careless driving around the school. Specific complaints have been about drivers parking in the P3 drop off zone, not stopping at pedestrian crossings even though pedestrians are waiting to cross and about parking on yellow lines near to the school, or even double parking. We also observe whānau not observing the pedestrian crossing and crossing the road with children, amongst the cars.

Pedestrian Crossings ~ We monitor the two pedestrian crossings (Upland Rd and Kowhai Rd closest to the school and train our Year 6-8 tamariki to do "Road Patrol", supported by parent volunteers. When Road Patrol is operating drivers may not need to stop for waiting pedestrians as the Road Patrollers will wave them on and hold pedestrians until there is a break in the traffic. This keeps traffic flowing. Drivers need to pay close attention at crossings nearby schools at the start and finish of the school day to notice whether or not a Road Patrol is operating. If there is no Road Patrol, then drivers and riders must follow the road rules for a pedestrian crossing.

Yellow Lines ~ Yellow lines tell drivers that they can't stop there. They are there to make sure that all road users can see other traffic and pedestrians. There is no exception for "just a minute". Drivers must remember that the yellow lines are there to keep everyone safe, and can't be ignored just for the sake of their own convenience.

What is the Solution ~ We know that parking is limited near the school and there is little that we can do about it. What we can control is our own driver behaviour. Be prepared to park a distance away from school, or enjoy a walk to school. Our combined attention to traffic safety and ongoing courtesy to others at the school drop off and pick up is what ensures that all of our children get to school safe and happy. All of us have a role to play in this. Thank you to those of you who already understand this and always park legally.

Here are some tips to help those of you who are new to Kelburn Normal School get your children to and from school safely.

1. Walk your child to school. You may want to create a Walking School Bus with friends or get together with your neighbours to form a new walking route.
2. Don't park on yellow lines.
 - Don't park on the yellow lines on Kowhai Rd.
 - Don't park on the yellow lines on Boundary Rd.
 - Never stop on the yellow lines outside the school gate to drop off your child.
3. Plan ahead to park a bit further away from the school gate. Park further down Upland Rd or Boundary Rd and enjoy the walk with your child.
4. When parking in the 3 minute parking zones before school;
 - Only park in these zones if you are just dropping off. If you plan on escorting your child to their classroom, park further away.
 - Pull up as far as you can so that the next car can park behind you.
5. When parking in the 10 minute parking zones Upland Rd after school
 - Realise that until 3pm the bus stop on Upland Rd is a BUS STOP. You can't park here before 3pm.
 - Don't sit here in your car waiting until 3pm. Park further away and walk to the gate.
6. If you do not follow these safety expectations in any of the areas above - you are being unsafe ~ a parent volunteer may talk to you to point out the problem with your parking or driving. If this happens, please respond respectfully. We are doing our best to keep all of our children safe.

I know that it's tiresome for the majority of our whānau, who are already driving and parking with extra caution, to hear this message again. I'm sorry that I need to write this blog at all. The safety of our children is everybody's responsibility and we need everyone in our school community doing all that they can to keep all of our children safe. As a parent I can't seek to keep my own child safe (by dropping them on the yellow line by the school gate) while putting other people's children at risk (by parking illegally). If you've let your driving habits slip lately, or if you are guilty of any of the poor driver choices mentioned above - it's time to do better. For everyone's sake.

UPCOMING

Thank you to our amazing parent volunteers who keep KNS's 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.

Annual KNS Talent Quest - Wednesday 8 November

Time to start preparing and practising for the Annual KNS Talent Quest 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). To enter, come and try out your act in the hall at lunchtime during Week 4 and get some tips from the PTA. All acts are welcome so bring along your home-grown skit, your poem, instrumental, dance, song or magic tricks and show us what you've got. Each item must be three minutes or under. Just one item per student please (or two if one is a solo performance and the other is a pair or group act). The talent quest is a much-loved KNS tradition where tamariki get to share what they love to do. Talent Quest on 8 November

Pack the Bus - we are collecting gifts for Pack the Bus. 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



KNS Working Bee
Saturday 28 October
9 to 11 am
 Join us for a morning of weeding and pruning to keep our gardens looking great over summer. We'll focus on the Upland and Kowhai Road gardens and the new garden beds.
 Kids and adults welcome.
 Please bring any of your own tools,



PACK THE BUS
FOR TOYS:
 NEW TOYS ONLY (NOT SECOND HAND)
FOR FOOD:
 NONPERISHABLE. AND WHEN DONATING, THINK ABOUT WHAT YOU WOULD PUT IN YOUR TROLLEY. ALL THE USUAL CHRISTMAS TREATS - CHOCOLATES, MINCE PIES, CRACKERS, CHRISTMAS PUDDINGS, CHIPS, AND EVEN NON-CHRISTMASY STUFF, LIKE CHILDREN'S TOOTHBRUSHES AND LARGE-SIZE NAPPIES
 WELLINGTON GREENBELT THE BREEZE wellington city mission

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 3	Monday 23 October	School Closed Labour Day
	Tuesday 24 October	School Closed for Teacher Only Day - 3 Way Conferences to be held on this day
	Wednesday 25 October	School Athletics, Ben Burn Park, Karori, 9am to 1.30 pm
	Thursday 26 October	TUPU Swimming: Tupu Brown @ 9am, Tupu Molloy @ 9:15am Tupu Wilby @ 10:00am, Tupu Miller @ 10:15am
	Friday 27 October	Y3-Y6 Hansel & Gretel NZ Ballet
	Saturday 28 October	Garden Working Bee 9 am - 11 am
Week 4	Monday 30 October	Board of Trustees Meeting @ 6.30 pm in the staffroom.
	Tuesday 31 October	Māia Munn overnight camp Whānui Swimming @ Kilbirnie Aquatic Centre departing @ 10.50 am and

		returning to school by 1 pm Y3 Sports Day
	Wednesday 1 November	Māia Button overnight camp
	Thursday 2 November	Whanake Bishop Zoo Sleepover TUPU Swimming: Tupu Brown @ 9am, Tupu Molloy @ 9:15am Tupu Wilby @ 10:00am, Tupu Miller @ 10:15am
	Friday 3 November	School Hui @ 10.15 am
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	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
	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

	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
	Tuesday 12th December	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
	Wednesday 20 December	School finishes at 12 noon

School Notices

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 [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.

The Dental Van is on site from 9 October to 30 October - the dental van will try and see all children who have not been seen in the last year. If your child misses 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@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

EzLunch Menu - Subway Wednesday / Pizza Thursday / Sushi Friday [Click here for the Menu](#)

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	Teacher Only Day tbc
Term 4	Monday 14 October	Thursday 19 December	Monday 28 October - Labour 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_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

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 www.kellysports.co.nz and in the school box put "Kelburn"

FOOTBALL  **NETBALL**

COMPETITION

SUMMER
SERIES

2023 ————— 2024



**SUMMER FOOTBALL
5-A-SIDE**
Ian Galloway Park,
Wilton



**SUMMER
NETBALL**
Samuel Marsden School &
Karori Normal School

TEAM ENROLMENTS NOW OPEN

TERM 4: 27 Oct – 15 Dec 2023 TERM 1: 2 Feb – 22 Mar 2024

REGISTER YOUR TEAM ONLINE TODAY!

kellysports.co.nz/netball2023 ★ kellysports.co.nz/football2023



For more details

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Phone: 021 972 728

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Community Notices

Aikido for juniors. Aikido is a martial art with a difference, its focus being on defence rather than attack: a non-violent, defensive art. Aikido is renowned for its benefits for self-control, co-ordination and posture, and like all martial arts promotes confidence and provides fun, fitness and friendship. We are a not-for-profit organisation teaching the art of aikido, based in Kaiwharawhara, in our 30th year. Classes for ‘Aiki Kids’ (around 6+ to 12 years) 5:30pm every Monday in school terms, and our ‘Aiki Teens’ train every Monday and Wednesday 6:30pm. First 3 lessons free, then \$80 per term, with 10% discount for families. City Dojo, 132 Hutt Rd, Kaiwharawhara, Wellington, directly above Animates pet shop. Turn up and give Aikido a try - and parents, you can join in too :-). Contact Conrad at conrad@aikido.org.nz or 021 843 467, or visit www.aikido.org.nz.