



# KELBURN COMMS – WEEKLY UPDATE

## TERM 1 – WEEK 8

### RĀAPA 2 POUTŪ-TE-RANGI

#### WEDNESDAY 25 MARCH 2026

### This week...

Wednesday 25 March

Thursday 26 March

Friday 27 March

Monday 30 March

Wednesday 1 April

[School Photos Schedule](#)

Whanake Swimming

Māia Tech Session at KWNS 9 am - 12 pm

International Student and Buddies Trip to Wellington Museum

School hui @ 1.50 pm hosted by Tupu

**School Closed for Teacher Only Day - 3 Way Conferences**

Board Meeting @ 6.30 pm

Whanake Swimming 12 pm - 2.30 pm

### School Closed Friday 27 March – 3-way Learning Conversations

The school is closed on Friday, 27 March 2026, and we will be holding our **3-way Learning Conversations and Goal-Setting**. We think the best way to strengthen ākonga learning power is to include the learner at the centre of these conversations as they learn to take responsibility and develop agency as learners. This dialogue is crucial to developing the triangle of ākonga, kaiako, and whānau - learners, teacher, and family.

To make a booking, click on the [schoolinterview link](#), and enter the code **pkxy3**

Kelly Club will be running a holiday programme on this day. For further information, please read the Kelly Club notice further down in the newsletter.

### Child Contact and Permission Information on School App

Please take a moment to check your contact details on the school app to ensure your address and phone numbers are up to date. If you need to make any changes, kindly inform the school office. You can also update your child's details through the school app. Click on My Child icon in the school app and then update the contact and permission information as required.

Keeping your details current helps us stay connected and ensures you receive important school updates. Two emergency contacts in addition to parents/caregivers are essential in case we are unable to contact you during an emergency.

Please also check your child's permissions under the school app to ensure they are correct and up to date. If any changes are needed, kindly inform the school office as soon as possible.



MY CHILD

CONTACT

MEDICAL

PERMISSIONS

OTHER DETAILS

ATTENDANCE FOR TODAY



# SCHOOL PHOTOS 2026

Book your  
sibling  
photo



**Sibling Photos -  
Limited spaces  
still available**

## Official School Photos 2026

It's that time of the year again, school photos are quickly approaching. Here's what you need to know:

### Dates

- **Monday 23rd - Thursday 26th March**
- Click the link to view the [updated photo schedule](#)

### To book sibling photos

- Go to [clairefraser.nz/schools](http://clairefraser.nz/schools)
- Click Sibling Photo Booking
- Enter the passcode 2026SIBS
- Click on your school
- If you need to change or cancel your booking, please contact me directly.

### To consider

- Check your child looks tidy for photo day. Younger students will be photographed in the morning.
- Up to five portraits will be taken per student, so you will be able to choose your favourites.
- Sibling photos will last for five minutes. Families will have a selection of photos to choose from.
- Music and cultural groups will be photographed too. Look out for notices from the school with dates and times for these.

### Get your early bird discount

- For five days after the online shop opens a 10% discount is applied to all orders.
- You will receive emails from the school and Claire Fraser Photography letting you know when the shop is open.

I'm looking forward to seeing some beautiful smiles. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to ask.

Many thanks!

Claire

Claire Fraser

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## Tupu Updates

### End of Term 1 in Te Ara Tupu

Kia ora Parents and Whānau,

We are sharing with you what we have planned for the remainder of this term which is only three weeks.

We are looking forward to our Easter delights and all the extra hands that we have helping. What lucky tamariki we have.

The last day for reading books to come home will be Tuesday, 31st March. The last day for poetry coming home is Friday, 20th March. The last BSLA information sheet for the term will be on Monday, 23rd March, and the last week will be a revisiting week. Mathematics, printing and writing will continue until Wednesday, 1st April.

The Sunshine Online reading and mathematics programme, a valuable resource for your child to use over the holidays, will be updated and ready to use by the last week of school. If you are new to kura, in the last week of term, you will receive an information sheet with your child's username and password, which you can use to access the programme.

Please return all library books by Wednesday, 9th April.

Any artwork will be coming home in the last week of term.

If you have any questions, please come and ask.

Nga mihi nui,

Wendy, Marianne, Jo, Jodie, and Susie



### Movin' March

**Let's Get Movin' in March!** - We always engage in Movin' March. While the weather is good, we emphasise walking or wheeling to school. It certainly helps our congested parking around the school when tamariki walk and wheel to school, and get some exercise as well. If you travel from outside Kelburn, then don't forget the Park and Stride concept, which is parking away from school and enabling tamariki to walk or wheel from there. For classes in Y1-6, we will have the Walk or Wheel Passport Challenge program to celebrate walking or wheeling to school; once they have filled these, they can return them to school to enter the prize draw.

### The Winter Project

The Winter Project is working with KNS to collect Winter clothes again this year.

The Winter Project is an organisation of Year 12 Marsden students who collect winter woollens and distribute them to schools with families in need in the Wellington region. These families might need some extra warmth for the cold nights ahead entering into winter.

Please donate second-hand winter woollens. Items could include: scarves, beanies, gloves, blankets, jerseys, jackets, raincoats, puffers, warm tops/pants or shoes. Please bring any preloved, clean, warm clothing items in good condition. There is a box near Reception for donations. Thank you for your help!

## PTA News

### School BBQ – Thank you!

A big thank you to everyone who contributed their time, energy and enthusiasm to make last Friday's School BBQ such a fantastic success! It was wonderful to see so many familiar faces keeping things running smoothly, and creating such a great atmosphere for our school community.

We are also excited to share that the PTA has welcomed three new co-chairs this year: Susie Campbell, Katrina Young, and Katharina Robichon. They are looking forward to stepping into their roles and continuing to support both the school and our parent community through the work of the PTA.

If you have any questions, ideas, or would like to get involved, please don't hesitate to reach out. We warmly invite you to join our regular PTA meetings—your support and contributions are always valued and appreciated!



### PTA AGM minutes

Minutes from AGM and PTA meeting [March 9th, 2026](#)

.Next PTA meeting **Monday 11th May 2026** at 7pm in Tupu space, all welcome.

## Looking Ahead Term 1 – dates are subject to change

Week	Date	Event
<b>Week 8</b>	Mon 23 to Thur 26 March	<u>School Photos</u>
	Thursday 26 March	Māia Tech Session at KWNS 9 am - 12 noon International Student and Buddies Trip to Wellington Museum School hui @ 1.50 pm hosted by Tupu
	Friday 27 March	<b>Teacher only day - 3-way Learning Conversations &amp; Goal-setting</b>
<b>Week 9</b>	Monday 30 March	BoT Meeting 6.30 pm to 8.30 pm
	Wednesday 1 April	Whanake Swimming 12 pm - 2.30 pm
	Thursday 2 April	Māia Tech Session at KWNS 9 am - 12 noon Last Day of Term - School finishes at 3 pm

## Looking Ahead Term 2 – dates are subject to change

Week	Date	Event
<b>Week 1</b>	Friday 24 April	<b>Teacher only day - PLD Maths Curriculum</b>
<b>Week 2</b>	Monday 27 April	<b>ANZAC Day observed</b>
	Tuesday 28 April	Gymnastics Tupu and Māia
	Thursday 30 April	Gymnastics Tupu and Māia
<b>Week 3</b>	Wednesday 6 May	Julia Davidson talks to Y8 girls and whānau

### Wellington Girls Principal Talk with Y8 girls and whānau

Julia Davidson talks to year 8 girls & whānau on Wednesday 6 May at 3.15 pm in the Māia teaching space.

### Wellington College Open Mornings

Monday 15 June 2026 at 9.00 am

Tuesday 16 June 2026 at 9.00 am

This is an opportunity for prospective students and their families to tour Wellington College facilities and meet the Senior Leadership Team.

Registration is not required. All students and their families are welcome to attend.

## School Clubs and Ensembles Timetable

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>Lyrice</b> – Yrs 6–8 8.30 am – 9.30 am Mahler Room Mrs Anna Sedcole & Mrs Munn	<b>Orchestra</b> – Yrs 4–8 8.20 am – 9.30 am Mahler Room Ms Katharina Vautier & Ms Smith	<b>Xylobeats</b> – Yrs 4–6 8.30 am – 9.30 am Mahler Room Ms Katharina Vautier	<b>Piccolo</b> – Yrs 4–6 8.30 am – 9.30 am Mahler Room Mrs Anna Sedcole & Mr Miller	<b>Little Xylofun</b> Yrs 2–3 9.00 am – 9.30 am Mahler Room Ms Katharina Vautier
	<b>Code Club</b> – to be advised	<b>Chess Club</b> to be advised	<b>Tūi Choir</b> Yrs 2–3 9.00 am – 9.30 am Hall Mrs Smith	<b>Kapa Haka</b> Yrs 5–8 8.30 am – 9.30 am Hall Matua Henare Parata, Ms Smith and Ms Rasmussen
	<b>Junior Kapa Haka</b> – Yrs 1–4 1.40 pm – 2.10 pm Hall Mr Jeremy Desmond & Mrs Blair		<b>Eco Club</b> to be advised	

## Term Dates 2026

2026	Start Date	End Date	Public Holidays/Teacher only days
Term 1 9 wks	Monday 2 February	Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> April	<b>Friday 6 February - Waitangi Day</b> <b>Friday 27 March - Teacher only Day 3 Way Learning Conversations</b>
Term 2 11 wks	Monday 20 April	Friday 3 July	<b>Friday 24 April - Teacher only Day PLD Maths Curriculum</b> <b>Monday 27 April - ANZAC Day observed</b> <b>Monday 1 June - Kings Birthday</b>
Term 3 10 wks	Monday 20 July	Friday 25 September	<b>Friday 14 August - Teacher only Day 3 Way Learning Conversations</b> <b>Friday 28 August - Teacher only Day PLD Maths Curriculum</b>
Term 4 10 wks	Monday 12 October	Wednesday 16 December - finish at 2pm	<b>Monday 26 October - Labour Day</b>

## School Reminders

Click to view [link to school reminders](#) published in previous newsletters



A FUN PROGRAMME  
THAT KIDS **LOVE!**

Friday 27th March

# TEACHER ONLY DAY PROGRAMME

**OSCAR  
PROGRAMME  
SUBSIDIES  
AVAILABLE!**

\*Conditions apply

## KELBURN NORMAL SCHOOL

Grab your wand & step into a magical world! Join our wizarding school filled with spell-casting, potion-making, magical games, and creative challenges. Young witches and wizards will work in teams, earn house points, and discover their magical talents. Costumes encouraged — the magic awaits. Book online now and we'll see you there!

**Full Day:** \$60  
8am-6pm

**School Day:** \$48  
8:45am-3:15pm

**Half Day:** \$40  
8:00am – 12:30pm or 12:30pm – 6:00pm

Contact: Mikyla Hutana

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**BOOK ONLINE NOW AT** [www.kellyclub.co.nz](http://www.kellyclub.co.nz)

## Kelly Club Notice

Kelly Club is about having fun doing interesting things with your friends & making new friends too! Our programmes are packed with activities; play sports & games, bake & cook, learn new crafts, do your homework or just relax and play. We offer After School Care every day of school term and Holiday Programmes during the school holidays too.

Kelly Club programmes at Kelburn Normal School can be searched [here](#), or you can contact Kelly Club directly:

Phone: [021 744 636](tel:021744636)

Email: [kelburnnormal@kellyclub.co.nz](mailto:kelburnnormal@kellyclub.co.nz)

- Visit: [www.kellyclub.co.nz](http://www.kellyclub.co.nz)
  - e-mail: [kelburnnormal@kellyclub.co.nz](mailto:kelburnnormal@kellyclub.co.nz)
- or just pop into Kelly Club any day after school.



# APRIL 2026 HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

KELBURN NORMAL SCHOOL



WEEK 1	Mon 6 April	Tues 7 April	Wed 8 April	Thurs 9 April	Fri 10 April
	<b>PUBLIC HOLIDAY</b> PUBLIC HOLIDAY Easter Monday!	<b>EGGSTRAVAGANZA</b> Hop along for our Easter 'Eggstravaganza'! Bring your looking eyes for our Great Easter Egg Hunt. Who knows what kind of goodies you may find!	<b>GAME ON!</b> Get ready to kick, pass and dodge! Come along and join in games of Football, and Dodgeball.	<b>ART ATTACK</b> Unleash your inner artist! Join us for painting, crafting, and creative adventures that will leave you inspired and proud of your creations!	<b>FEE-FI-FO-FUN</b> Fee-fi-fo-fum! Giant board games, giant ball games and giant fun. Are you up for the giant challenge of today?
WEEK 2	Mon 13 April	Tues 14 April	Wed 15 April	Thurs 16 April	Fri 17 April
	<b>FIDGET FRENZY</b> Spin and twist your way through the day! Make your own fidget spinners, play hula hoop twister and even cook yummy fidget pizza.	<b>TOPSY TURVY</b> Get ready for a topsy turvy day where everything's a little upside down! From wacky games to silly challenges, expect the unexpected and lots of laughs.	<b>MOVIE DAY</b> Join us for an awesome trip day to see the movie The Super Mario Galaxy Movie. Please remember a big lunch, drink bottle and a hat. \$20 extra for the day.	<b>KELLY CLUB SURVIVOR</b> Out-smart, out-laugh, out-think. Build a fort, play Capture The Flag and take part in our team challenges!	<b>FOODIE FRIDAY</b> Whip up delicious creations, bake sweet treats, and help us build our very own Kelly Club recipe book full of yummy ideas.

**Pricing:**  
**FULL WEEK:** \$295 **FULL DAY:** \$62 **HALF DAY:** \$42  
8am-6pm 8am-6pm 8am-12.30pm/12.30pm-6pm

**SCHOOL DAY:** \$50 **EVENT DAY:** Extra \$20.00  
8:30am-3:00pm

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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 - click the [link](#) to view school notices.



**SHORTER DAYS BIGGER PLAYS TERM 2 2026**

As the days grow shorter and winter starts to set in our after-school sports programmes are here to keep the afternoon bright, active and full of fun!! Join us to sharpen your skills, try new games and burn of that extra energy in a positive structured environment!

This weekly programme gives children skills and confidence in a fun and enjoyable environment. It also encourages their enthusiasm for sport and the life skills that such involvement brings - giving them confidence to join sports clubs in the future!

For term 2 the sports we are focussing on are:

Football, Handball, Netball and Hockey (2 weeks of each).

Classes start on Wednesday 29 April 2026 (Week 2) and run for 8 weeks, 3.05pm-4.05pm

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