



# KELBURN COMMS – WEEKLY UPDATE

## TERM 2 – WEEK 11

### RĀAPA 1 HŌNGONGOI

## WEDNESDAY 1 JULY 2026

### This week...

Wednesday 1 July Māia tech session 8:40 am to 12.30 pm  
 Thursday 2 July Year 3-8 Swimming Sports 11.30 am to 2.30 pm  
 Friday 3 July Last day of term. School finishes at 3pm

## Matariki Celebration Volunteers Needed – Wednesday 22 July

In week one of term 3, Wednesday 22nd July is our wonderful Community Matariki evening! **We rely on everyone getting involved to help run this fun evening, the staff, the PTA, and our kura community!** If you haven't signed up to help, please follow [this link](#) and see how you can support us.

Don't forget to order your hangi soon! Check out the PTA information later in this newsletter.



## Teacher Only Days Term 3

Please note that we have two Teacher Only Days scheduled for Term 3:

- **Friday, 14 August** - we will be holding our 3-way Learning Conversations and Goal Review. Booking information will be shared closer to the date.
- **Monday, 24 August** - Teacher Only Day Maths Workshop

Please update your calendars with these dates. We sincerely apologise for the error in our previous newsletters, which incorrectly listed 28 August as a Teacher Only Day.

Kelly Club will advertise their programme for these days in due course.

## Year 3–8 Swimming Sports

Our school swimming sports is coming up on Thursday 2nd July. Parents and Whānau are welcome to come along to support the tamariki.

### Key details:

**Venue: Karori Pool**

**Time: 11am-1.30pm**

This year, we are introducing the addition of fun races for all age groups. These races will be width based, and will ensure that all tamariki are able to participate and enjoy the event. We will continue to run competitive races as in previous years, with the top two swimmers in years 4-8 qualifying for the Western Zone Swimming Competition.

We ask that you please talk with your child about the races they have entered, and whether these align with their swimming ability and water confidence.

If you have any questions about this event, please email Sophie Bishop ([sophieb@kelburnnormal.school.nz](mailto:sophieb@kelburnnormal.school.nz))

Swimming Sports Order of Events		
<i>Please note all timings are estimates and subject to change.</i>		
	Main Pool	Teaching Pool
	Fun Races (Year 5/8) - Flutterboard races - Pool Noodle Race - Dolphin Dives - Egg and Spoon Relay	Fun Races (Year 3/4) - Pool Noodle Race - Dolphin Dives - Silly Walk - Egg and Spoon Relay
11 am		
	50m Freestyle 50m Backstroke 25m Breaststroke 25m Backstroke 25m Butterfly 25m Backstroke 25m Freestyle	Year 3 Freestyle Year 4 Freestyle Year 3 Backstroke Year 4 Backstroke
12 pm		
1.15pm	House Relays	

## Senior Kapahaka/ Matariki Community Celebration Evening

We have our upcoming Matariki celebration on Wednesday the 22nd of July (Week 1 of Term 3), at which our Senior Kapa haka will perform.

Can our Senior Kapa haka performers please arrive at school by 4.30 pm and meet in the Whānui space to be ready to open our event?

The Y5/6 children are required to wear a black T-shirt (if they have one).  
Boys are required to wear black shorts.

## Senior Kapa haka – Whakanuia Ahurea Festival /Google Permission Form/ Parent Helpers

Kia ora te Whanau,

We have a great opportunity for our senior Kapa Haka performers at the upcoming Kahui Ako Whakanui Ahurea Cultural Festival. This event is a Wellington-wide celebration of primary and secondary schools coming together and performing for each other. It will be on Thursday, 6th August at Wellington College (15 Dufferin Street). This is in week three of term three.

If your child is in Senior Kapa Haka, please complete and submit the [Google Permission Form](#). This needs to be completed by the 30th of July.

This is an all-day event. Children will need to bring a packed lunch and water bottle. A small donation request will be added to your child's statement to cover the bus costs for this event.

Call for parent helpers:

For the Whakanui Ahurea event, we require parent helpers. Helpers are needed from 9 am - 3 pm. If you are able to attend and help, please email [rebekah@kelburnnormal.school.nz](mailto:rebekah@kelburnnormal.school.nz), with your name, your child's name, and your mobile phone number.

## Have Your Say on Our School's Future – survey closes soon

We're developing our new Strategic Plan for 2026 – 2029 and would really appreciate your input. We're undertaking a short survey to gather views from across our school community. It's a chance to tell us what's working well, what matters most to you, and where you think we should focus over the next few years. We're also doing surveys with teachers, students and other stakeholders. Your feedback will help shape the direction of the school, so we encourage you to take a few minutes to share your perspective.

If you haven't filled out the survey yet, we'd really like to hear your thoughts. The survey will close at the end of the school holidays on **Sunday 19th July**.

**Complete the survey [here](#)**

Thanks for taking the time to be involved—we're looking forward to hearing a wide range of views from our community.

## Tupu Updates

### 100 days of school 2026

Kia ora Parents and Whānau,

#### Whānui Updates

It's hard to believe, but Tuesday 28th July, will be the 100th day of school for 2026.

In the week starting Monday, 27th July, the tamariki will participate in many fun activities centred on the number 100.

To help celebrate on Tuesday 28th July, we would like each child to bring along to their class 100 of something in a plastic bag or container. Some examples could be 100 pieces of popcorn, 100 dried beans, 100 chocolate buttons, 100 beads, 100 rice bubbles, 100 blocks, 100 pieces of LEGO, etc. Be as creative as you like, and have fun counting them together. Challenge yourself by grouping in different ways, such as ten groups of ten, five groups of 20, and two groups of 50. These delightful collections can come at any time this week.

Please take the time to sit and count to 100 and beyond, discussing and exploring numbers with your child over the next ten days in preparation for our 100-day celebration.

Ready, steady....COUNT. Tahi, Rua, Toru ...

The Tupu team: Wendy, Jodie, Marianne, Jo, Lisette, and Susie



## Whānui Updates

### Whānui Swimming

Whānui Swimming Lessons begin on Monday, the 27th of July (Week 2 of Term three). Lessons are held at Karori Swimming Pool with children off-site from KNS between the hours of 12.15 pm and 1.45 pm.

Please ensure your child remembers to bring their togs.

All swimming dates are listed here,  
Monday, the 27th of July  
Monday 's 3rd, 10th, 17th, 31st of August  
Monday's 7th, 14th, 21st of September

Please notify your child's Home Learning Teacher if, for any reason, your child is unable to enter the water on any given day (ie, recently unwell).

A donation request for these eight swimming lessons and bus travel is \$75. This will be added to your child's statement and can be paid by direct credit to 12-3223-0190001-00 using your child's name as a reference, or by eftpos at the school office.

## Māia Updates

### Māia Trip: Primary Schools Music Showcase at Wellington Boys' College

10 am - 12pm on Thursday 23rd July.

Each year Wellington Girls' College, and Wellington Boys' College collaborate to create a Music Showcase for primary school students. We will see choirs, barbershop, orchestra, concert bands, jazz bands, and individuals demonstrating specific instruments.

The donation request for this event is \$11.50 to cover the bus cost. This has been added to your student statement.

We need 2 parent volunteers to enable this trip to go ahead. Please email [libyam@kelburnnormal.school.nz](mailto:libyam@kelburnnormal.school.nz) if you are able to support with this. We will be catching the bus there and back, and will need volunteers from 9:30am-12:30pm

Please note that this is in the first week back at school after the break.



**BOOK Week**  
27-31.07.2026  
TERM 3 WEEK 2

READING! 📖 COMPETITIONS 📖 READING! 📖 FUN ACTIVITIES 📖 READING! 📖 QUIZZES 📖 READING! 📖 DRESS-UPS 📖 READING! 📖 BOOK PRIZES 📖 READING! 📖

#### RECREATE THE SETTING FROM YOUR FAVOURITE BOOK.

Draw it, paint it, make it out of lego, cardboard, playdough, cake, or something else!

Submit a photo to [library@kelburnnormal.school.nz](mailto:library@kelburnnormal.school.nz) by 4pm Friday 31<sup>st</sup> July



**BOOK Week**



KNS PTA Fundraising: entertainment book



Throughout June, every Entertainment Membership purchased not only unlocks incredible savings on dining, attractions, travel and experiences, but also gives supporters the chance to win a \$5,000 Entertainment Travel Voucher. Plus, every Membership purchased this year goes into the draw to win an unforgettable expedition to Antarctica.

We are also thrilled to announce that from Friday 26 June - Wednesday 1st July, we will be running a Buy One Membership, Get One Free promotion, giving supporters even more value!

Each \$75 book sold donates \$15 to the KNS PTA.

Matariki Celebration Wednesday 22 July 2026

**+ Matariki Whānau Celebration**  
Wednesday 22 July, 5.30 - 7.00 pm at Kelburn Normal School

A wonderful chance for our KNS community to come together and celebrate Matariki, the Māori New Year.

- Kapa Haka performance
- Activities for whānau to do together
- Hāngi meals \$16/\$22 **PRE-ORDER ONLY**
- **Orders Close 2<sup>nd</sup> JULY**
- Soup and Chocolate Brownie (cash and eftpos available)
- Student Council will have hot chocolate (cash only)

We rely on parents to help make this a successful community event. Please sign up on the [Volunteer Sheet](#)

Save the date for the annual school Matariki celebration. **Hangi options available for pre-order** are large chicken/lamb for \$22 and small chicken for \$16. **Order [here](#)**. We are seeking volunteers to donate homemade pumpkin soup in a slow cooker.

**We rely on parents to volunteer** to make the event a success. **Please sign up [here](#)**.

### Yummy Fruit Stickers

The PTA is once again collecting Yummy Fruit Stickers for the school. Every sticker helps us work towards new sports equipment for our students. Sticker collection sheets are available from the office if you need one.



### School Reminders

**Absences:** Please use the school app or call the office to report student absences for each day that your child is sick. Your child's teacher and the admin email address may not be available.

If your child is attending a college open day, please also use the app or absence phone line to let us know.

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

### Enrolments 2027

If you live in our home zone and have not yet indicated your intention to enrol your child for next year please get in touch and complete an [online enrolment](#). If you know of other in-zone families who may be planning to enrol – please encourage them to get in touch.

To assist us with our 2027 planning please also let us know if your child will be leaving KNS next year.

### Winter Project Team – thank you

We just wanted to reach out and say a massive thank you for collecting for us this year! The support has been so greatly appreciated and has truly made such a huge difference to many lives in the Wellington region. With many whānau affected by the floods this year, there has been an extra need for these warm clothes, and we are so thankful that you helped us reach a total of 2,938 pieces of clothing. We look forward to hopefully working with you again in 2027!

Thank you again and all the best for the rest of the year! The Winter Project Team

KELBURN NORMAL SCHOOL PTA

# Hoodie offer

**NAVY WITH WHITE KNS LOGO**

*Last Chance to order a KNS hoodie - orders close tonight (Wed 1 July)*



**ORDER YOUR KELBURN NORMAL SCHOOL  
HOODIE BY WED 1<sup>ST</sup> OF JULY 2026**



Complete the [form](#) or via the QR code  
and arrange your payment of **\$50** to  
Kelburn Normal School PTA  
Account number : 12-3140-0240253-00

**Click on links for size guide:**

**[AS-3032: SIZE 4, 6](#)**

**[AS-3033: SIZE 8, 10, 12](#)**

**[AS-5101: XS, SML, MED, LRG, XLG](#)**

**ANY QUESTIONS EMAIL:  
[PTA@KELBURNNORMAL.SCHOOL.NZ](mailto:PTA@KELBURNNORMAL.SCHOOL.NZ)**

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

Week	Date	Event
<b>Week 11</b>	Wednesday 1 July	Māia tech session 8.40am to 12.30pm
	Thursday 2 July	Whanake, Whānui and Māia Swimming Sports 11am to 2pm
	Friday 3 July	Last day of term. School finishes at 3pm

## Looking Ahead Term 3 - dates are subject to change

Week	Date	Event
<b>Week 1</b>	Monday 20 July	PTA Meeting at 7pm in the Tupu space
	Tuesday 21 July	Whanake and Whānui Gymnastics Tupu and Whānui Touch Sessions
	Wednesday 22 July	Māia Tech Session 8.40am to 12.30pm Matariki Community Celebration from 5:30pm
	Thursday 23 July	Whanake and Whānui Gymnastics Tupu and Whānui Touch Sessions
	Friday 24 July	Mihi Whakatau @ 1.50 pm Wheels Day
<b>Week 2 Book Week</b>	Monday 27 July	Whānui Swimming from 12.15pm
	Tuesday 28 July	100 Days of School Tupu Celebration Whanake and Whānui Gymnastics Tupu and Whānui Touch Sessions
	Wednesday 29 July	Māia tech session 8:40 am to 12.30 pm
	Thursday 30 July	Hearing and Vision Testing Whanake and Whānui Gymnastics
	Friday 31 July	School hui hosted by Māia @ 1.50 pm
<b>Week 3</b>	Monday 3 August	Whānui Swimming from 12.15pm BoT Meeting from 6.30pm
	Tuesday 4 August	Whanake and Whānui Gymnastics
	Wednesday 5 August	Māia Tech Session 8.40am to 12.30pm
	Thursday 6 August	Whanake and Whānui Gymnastics Whakanui Ahurea Kapa Haka from 9.30am to 2.30pm

## Term Dates 2026

2026	Start Date	End Date	Public Holidays/Teacher only days
Term 3 10 wks	Monday 20 July	Friday 25 September	<b>Friday 14 August - Teacher only Day 3 Way Learning Conversations</b> <b>Monday 24 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 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> - Ms Rasmussen & Mr Pearce	<b>Junior Yoga Club</b> - Miss Corcoran  <b>Chess Club</b> - Mr Miller	<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> - Mrs Blair & Miss Mowbray	

## 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.

## 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.

**SHORTER DAYS, BIGGER PLAYS!**


BOOK ONLINE AT

 [KELLYSPORTS.CO.NZ](http://KELLYSPORTS.CO.NZ)

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Kelly Sports



# Netball & Football

## Holiday Programme



Join our exciting Football and Netball Holiday Programme – the perfect way for young athletes to stay active, build skills, and have fun during the holidays! Whether they would like to play football or netball, they can follow their passion or try something new. Whether you're scoring goals or shooting hoops, it's your choice, your game, your holiday!

BOOK ONLINE AT

**KELLYSPORTS.CO.NZ**

## INFORMATION

FOR PARENTS

JULY 2026

Week 2

Tues 14th to Thurs 16th April

### Football Programme

Join our fun and engaging football holiday sessions led by experienced Kelly Sports Coaches. Our football programme is ideal for first-time players and those wanting to build confidence. The programme develops fundamental skills, teamwork, and game awareness through exciting activities and mini-matches, all in a safe, supportive environment. Ages 5 years to 12 years welcome.

WHERE: Wests Rugby Club Rooms - Ian Galloway Park

WHEN: Week 2 - Tues 14th, Wed 15th and Thurs 16th July

TIME: 9am to 12.30pm

### PRICES

**\$45 PER DAY OR  
ALL 3 DAYS FOR  
\$120 PER WEEK**

### Netball Programme

Join our fun and engaging netball holiday sessions which focus on developing fundamental skills while building a stronger understanding of the game and positional roles. Through fun, game-based activities, players are challenged at an age-appropriate level, helping them grow in skill, confidence, and enjoyment. Ages 5 years to 12 years welcome.

WHERE: Karori Normal School

WHEN: Week 2 - Tues 14th, Wed 15th and Thurs 16th July

TIME: 9am to 12.30pm

BOOK ONLINE AT

- W [kellysports.co.nz/wellington](https://kellysports.co.nz/wellington)
- E Programme Coordinator
- E [adminwgn@kellysports.co.nz](mailto:adminwgn@kellysports.co.nz)
- P 021 972 728
- S @KellySportsWellington



## JULY 2026 HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

KELBURN NORMAL SCHOOL

**OSCAR  
PROGRAMME  
SUBSIDIES  
AVAILABLE!**

\*Conditions apply

	Mon 6 July	Tues 7 July	Wed 8 July	Thurs 9 July	Fri 10 July
<b>WEEK 1</b>	 <p><b>MIN IT TO WIN IT</b> Have you got what it takes to race the clock? Sixty-second challenges that will test your skills, speed, and focus.</p>	 <p><b>FIZZ, BANG, POPI!</b> Explore awesome experiments like elephant toothpaste, bubbly fun, fizzy painting, and even make a tasty fizzy treat!</p>	 <p><b>MAGICIAN</b> Abracadabral! Magic is coming to Kelly Club! Join us for a fun-filled day of games, laughter, and an amazing live magic show the kids will love! \$18 Extra for the day</p>	 <p><b>GLOW DISCO</b> Ready, set, glow! Wear your brightest outfits, bring your best dance moves and get ready for an epic glow party. Get your face paint on and light up the room with neon art!</p>	<p><b>PUBLIC HOLIDAY</b></p> <p><b>ENJOY MATARIKI</b> Enjoy celebrating Motariki with your friends and whānau.</p>
<b>WEEK 2</b>	 <p><b>BRICK BONANZA</b> Let your imagination run wild! Join us for some creative brick fun. We can't wait to see what you build!</p>	 <p><b>VIVE LA FRANCE</b> Ooh la la, join us for all things French as we celebrate Bastille Day with crepes, crafts and French sporting games!</p>	 <p><b>LIGHTS CAMERA ACTION</b> Whether you are a natural in front of the camera or prefer working behind the scenes, there is something for you today!</p>	 <p><b>KC RACERS</b> Today is about everything speedy! Build your own miniature speed racer, race through obstacle courses and play speedy games. Join us to see how fast you can go!</p>	 <p><b>PJ PARTY AND SLIDE</b> Wear your best pyjamas to Kelly Club for a day of slumber mania! We will make some yummy treats, play some classic party games plus the inflatable slide will be at Kelly Club. \$18 extra for the day.</p>

#### Pricing:

**FULL WEEK:** \$295    **FULL DAY:** \$62    **HALF DAY:** \$42  
8am-6pm                      8am-6pm                      8:00am - 12:30pm or 12:30pm - 6:00pm

**SCHOOL DAY:** \$50    **EVENT DAY:** Extra \$15-\$20  
8:30am-3:00pm

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