



Kelburn Normal School

*Where students learn creatively and strive for excellence preparing for lifelong learning
Kia auaha te ako a ngā ākonga me te whai i te iti kahurangi mō te akoranga tūroa*

The Bird's Eye View ~ The Kelburn Normal School Newsletter

Friday 3 November - Week 3, Term 4 2017

Kia ora koutou,

Another busy and successful week at Kelburn this week. With 6 ½ weeks to go we press on to get all our jobs done before the summer holidays. There is a hive of industry within the school with a mostly harmoniously buzzing noise. Relationships are very well developed from the work we have done this year.

The Board newsletter last week touched on the recent school visits by teachers. We appreciate the Board enabling us to do this - it was great for staff to see both developing, and well developed learning environments in action with children and teachers working together cohesively. Our workshopping back at school has given us the continuity for gathering a set of ideas / innovations that work really well in new learning spaces

The Board has shared the Community Survey with you. As of today we have had 40 responses which represents a 13% return. Ideally we would like to have a 50% return to help our information gathering / self review processes. [Please complete the survey by clicking here.](#)

Next Friday - Paraire, I invite you to come and have a cup of tea/coffee with me in the staffroom at 2pm before pick up. We can have a conversation/korero around the new learning spaces or topics [from my blog](#), or anything you may want to talk about.

Our School Rock Band - Mary, Maddi, Ella, Annika and Mark - represented the school so well at the Battle of the Bands this week. This really is an amazing event and when you see what 12 years olds (and younger) can do - it is quite remarkable. Our children were

excellent and their video has been posted on Facebook playing a song from Florence and the Machine! Thank you to Tristan for his mentoring and coaching. Being part of a band is a true representation of our continued drive to enable our children to be part of a team environment. [You can see their performance by clicking here.](#)



Our athletics team heads off this week to the Western Zone competition. Children had to meet the qualifying standard to get to the Zones and so it is not as in previous years where we sent even numbers to the competition. Having said that a large number of our students met the standard and will be at the event next Friday at Newtown Park.

On Tuesday our Year 3s had an enjoyable day at Marsden at a Sports Festival. They were able to explore a variety of different sports together, work with different people - the coaches from Marsden, and further build on their teamwork skills. A good

challenge for them and they made the most of this opportunity.



Each year our Y5-6 and Senior School attend a camp. This is to help build the team culture and Key Competencies, and to experience challenge in the outdoors away from home. The Board has approved the camps for 2018 and they both present new contexts from previous years.

The year 5-6 (the Upper Middles) are at [Makahika](#), east of Levin in the foothills of the Tararua. A real bush experience this camp is on in week 3 of term 1 next year.

The year 7-8 (Senior School) camp will be visiting Whanganui and investigating the coastal environment, and the historic sites and culture of the 'River City'. This camp is on in week 4 of term 1 next year.

Our senior school is closing in on their Shakespeare performances in week 5 at the Gryphon theatre. They

pretty much move into the Gryphon theatre that week to put their finishing touches on the performance of each play.

Rooms 9 and 8 will perform their plays on Wednesday 15 at 6.30 and 7.30 pm. Rooms 14 and 13 will perform their plays at 6.30 and 7.30 pm the next night. The matinees, for their peers and some year 6 students, will be on the same days as the performances, and in the same order, at 12.30 and 1.30 pm. This is the culmination of our whole school drama performances and we are pleased to say that each class has shared their own performance with their families - 14 shows!

The senior school hosted an information evening on the Sexuality Road resource which our oldest children will be working through after Shakespeare is completed. Led by Scott Waring-Flood from Family Planning this was an opportunity for parents to engage with and be informed of the material the children will interact with. If any senior parents require any more information please contact Alistair, Jamie or Libya in the senior school.

We continue to be a busy school and we so appreciate your continued support. If at any time you need to talk to us - class teachers or school leaders, please let us know so we can make a time to talk. We want to make the best for our children.

Many thanks / Tēnā rawa atu koe

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In week one we had our athletic sports at Newtown Park and amongst the results we saw some outstanding performances. While we were thrilled with the effort of all our children, we wanted to recognise those that accumulated the most points overall (via placings) and dominated their grade on the day.

- Year 3 Girls - Bridie C, Antoinette W
- Year 3 Boys - Angus C, Guy O
- Year 4 Girls - Marie S, Oli T, Bella E
- Year 4 Boys - Niko W, Troy G
- Year 5 Girls - Annabelle C, Michaela L
- Year 5 Boys - Jack R, Tom C
- Year 6 Girls - Frankie H, Harmony F
- Year 6 Boys - Srian S, Louis P
- Year 7 Girls - Anna S, Grace N
- Year 7 Boys - Kirin S, Finlay N-H
- Year 8 Girls - Bebe N, Alisa E
- Year 8 Boys - Josh N, Haris M

In amongst fierce competition and a lot of chanting and cheering the House relay results were as follows.

Placings	Year 3-4	Year 5-6	Year 7-8
1st	Ngaio	Rimu	Rata
2nd	Rimu	Rata	Ngaio
3rd	Kowhai	Ngaio	Rimu
4th	Rata	Kowhai	Kowhai

We so enjoyed the encouragement and teamwork on display at the sports. The children were so supportive of each other and showed manaakitanga in action

Thank you to our wonderful children in Year 3-4 who have shared their Halloween writing with us -

Once there was a creepy, laughing witch inside a pointy tower. She went out of her pointy tower. Then she went to Kelburn Normal School to NGAIO and she was the principal.

By Brooklyn

One dark Halloween, a real witch came down on her broomstick. She stole the children and their sweets. She had long yellow hair and a wart on the tip of her nose. She had red shoes and very black clothes, and a hat. With her she had a black cat. She liked to catch children.

By Amelia

One spooky Halloween, zombies and witches were taking the people of Kelburn Normal School. The witch used her laser eyes to turn the children into zombies.

By Jack

Once upon a time, there was a spooky witch. She was on her way to scare children. She had a pointy hat and black clothes. She had clothes as dark and spooky as a Halloween night.

By Greta

We are pleased to announce that, as that the hall is available from week 5, this annual event will now go ahead. The event will be jointly organised by the PTA and the school; however, because of the short time frame and the limited space in the hall, there will be a few departures from the usual organisation (for this year only). The date is Tuesday the 28 November. The junior event (year 1-4) will run from 3.30 to 5.00 p.m, and the senior event (year 5-8) from 5.15 -6.45 p.m.

It is a busy time for our young performers; however we encourage students to perform as this is part of the Kelburn experience, and builds confidence, skill, and expressiveness. Students are allowed to enter one item each, but exceptions will be made if they want to be part of a large group item too. There is a three minute time limit for each item. Possible items include: singing, dancing, a short skit, juggling, ventriloquism, playing an instrument, and gymnastics. Please make sure the item is age appropriate.

We are simplifying the process by skipping auditions. To enter, you need to complete the form [click here](#), one for each child, by Friday 10 November, and email them back to danielles@kelburnnormal.school.nz . Please be specific about the item. We will hold a meeting for each group of children. If we think any items do not fit the occasion, we will get back to you about that. On the day of the Talent Quest, we will give younger children the chance for a little warm up on the stage.

If your child does enter, you have a key role in preparing them for the event, especially the younger ones. The children need plenty of practice at home; discussions about how to perform are valuable. A run through with neighbours or grandparents can do wonders too.

Please talk to us if you have any queries. If your child needs some help, Mr Bisley or Nicola are always happy to coach them. If children want to practise their items in Room 14, the hall, or some of the music rooms in the fortnight prior, they should arrange this with Mr Bisley.

Kind regards

Charles Bisley, Nicola Holt, and Danielle Sanders

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Next Wednesday the 8th at 7.30pm Kelburn hosts a community information evening about recycling. This hosted by the GO ECO Kelburn/Highbury community group in conjunction with Wellington City Council. Wendy Bertholet, a water educator at WCC will present the session on reducing plastic consumption and 'knowing your plastics' and how to classify your recycling. Please come along and support the GoECO team. Koha entry and a cup of tea to finish.

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Yes, it's that time of year again, 'Pack the Bus' for the City Mission supported and organised by the Breeze radio station.

We will be visited by 'The Bus' on 2 nl XM Ā{a 3nfZk UZxM'U'Üauk . The children are encouraged to think of others less fortunate than themselves and donate new, unwrapped toys and Xmas food. These will be collected at the office reception area.

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Muesli Bars, Tinned Fruit, Jellies, Canned Meat and Fish, Meals in a Can, Breakfast Cereals

Spreads: Jams, Peanut Butter, Vegemite

Fancy Biscuits and Confectionery

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Retail Vouchers, Event Vouchers: Movies, Zoo, Pool, Lego/Meccano, Art Equipment, Educational Books

Beach/Picnic/Water Toys, Puzzles, Outdoor Sports Gear, Board Games

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Event Dates - Term 4

You can see the times and add these events to your calendar by using the the KNS App.

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Tuesday 7 November	Junior Swimming Johnsonville Pool
Friday 10 November	Western Zone Athletics Y4s-Y8 at Newtown Park, pp 17 November; Coffee with Principal 2pm in staffroom
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Monday 13 November	Y5-6 at Wellington Museum
Tuesday 14 November	Shakespeare Dress Rehearsal, Junior Swimming Johnsonville Pool,
Wed 15 November	Shakespeare Senior Performance Room 8 and 9
Thurs 16 November	Shakespeare Senior Performance Room 14 and 13
Friday 17 November	Kids Sing at St Marks School
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Tues 21 November	Inter-Zone Athletics Y4s-Y8s Newtown PP 23 Nov, Junior Swimming Johnsonville Pool

H Zzi 'ā'	Y3-Y4 Zoo Sleepover Tues/Wed/Thurs
Tues 28 November	Junior Swimming Johnsonville Pool
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Tuesday 5 December	Regional Athletics Newtown Park PP 7 Dec, Junior Swimming Johnsonville Pool
Friday 8 December	End of Year Assembly 11-12 noon, School Reports home
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Tuesday 12 December	Musical Refreshment 6.30 pm - 9 pm
Friday 15 December	Leavers Assembly 11 - 12 noon
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Monday 18 December	Leavers Dinner
Wed 20 December	School closes at midday

School Clubs and Ensembles timetable

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Drama - Mr Bisley 8.30 - 9.30am Hall Ÿ^æ•Á qÁ	Orchestra - Mr Bisley 8.30 - 9.30am Room 14	Piccolo - Mr Bisley 8.30 - 9.30am Room 14 Ÿ^æ•Á Ē ĄÁ Á	Lyrca - Nicola, Mr Bisley 8.30am Room 14 Œ áã } ^ á&@ā	Kapa Haka -Mrs Mazur 8.30 - 9.30am Room 8 - Ÿ^æ•Á Ē ĄÁ ì Á
Xylofun - Katharina 8.30 - 9.30am Room 14 Ÿ^æ•Á Ē ĄÁ	Á	Tui Choir - Ms Laing 9am Back of Hall Ÿ^æ•Á ĄÁ	Chess Club - Mr Quayle 12.40 - 1.20pm Room 13	
Science - Miss Coddington or Mr Dobson or Mr Bird 12.40 - 1.20pm Back of Hall		Code Club - Miss Coddington or Mr Quayle 12.40 - 1.20pm Library	Kapa Haka - Mrs Mazur 1.30 - 2pm Room 8 - Ÿ^æ•Á Ē ĄÁ ì Á	
Code Club - Miss Coddington or Mr Quayle with Marcus Freat and Sue. 4.45pm - 6pm Library Œ Ą } ^ Á			Environment Club - Miss De Vries 12.40-1.20pm Turf	

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School Term Dates 2017

Term	Start Date	End Date	
Term 4	Monday 16 October	Midday Wednesday 20 December	(10 weeks)

School Term Dates 2018

Term	Start Date	End Date	
Term 1	Wednesday 7 February	Friday 13 April	(10 weeks)
Term 2	Monday 30 April	Friday 6 July	(10 weeks)
Term 3	Monday 23 July	Friday 28 September	(10 weeks)
Term 4	Monday 15 October	Thursday 20 December	(10 weeks)

LOOK BACK OVER YOUR SCHOOL'S FIRST 100 YEARS!

Is your child featured in ***Kelburn Normal School - Celebrating 100 Years***? Get your copy and take a look now!

This is a book about your school, to buy yours now, [click on this link](#) or copy and paste <https://www.kns100book.co.nz/> into your browser.

You can also pop into the office to purchase a copy.

Buy yours now and read about your school – learn what it's been up to for the past century.



KNS PTA Entertainment Book fundraiser

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Jason Hobman 0272137143 jashob@gmail.com **THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!**

Community Notices

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My name is Miles Cranston and I'm excited to announce I am opening a brand new Boutique Personal Training and Wellness center right in the heart of Kelburn village. Unlike the big noisy city gyms where you are treated as a number. I am offering a much more quieter more friendly and personable environment creating a real community.

We will be offering

- Personal 1 to 1 training
- Fun group sessions daily
- Martial arts
- Nutrition advice
- Wellness and holistic training
- Packages like "get in shape for summer" or "bridal boot camp"
- Monthly memberships
- Online training

Along with many more programs shortly. As part of a special opening special we would like to invite you to come and try us out for free for a week to see what you think and to say hi. Please follow the link below to our website or email us directly at: bodiesalivetraining@gmail.com Website: www.bodiesalivetraining.co.nz

We look forward to meeting you and building a great community family.

Warmest regards Z hZy

KELLY SPORTS TERM 4 – STARTS WEEK 1 OF TERM 4

Kelly Sports will be back in Term 4 with their fun and exciting classes. Kelly Sports encourages children to have fun, build confidence and to give sport a go. We believe that sport and physical activity has so much to offer young people; it improves fitness, develops communication skills, team work and gives them a place to channel their energy.

Summer Fun in the Sun! (Yrs 1-2) – Wednesdays 3.05pm-4.05pm. Learn the fundamentals of all sports – throwing, running, jumping, striking, balance and many more. Includes fun games & drills to build these skills.

Summer Fun in the Sun! (Yrs 2-4) – Tuesdays 3.05pm-4.05pm - Come and try Football, Tball, Athletics and Basketball. It's a great way to try new sports, learn new skills and improve ability. We use games & drills to teach game sense and team play.

For full details and to enrol into our programmes visit www.kellysports.co.nz email adminwgt@kellysports.co.nz or call 04 972 7201.

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Online enrolments are still open for Nursery grade (school years 0 and 1) and the Girls Only Sunday grade (school years 5-8). The girls only league starts on Nov 12. Check out <https://wellingtoncollegians.org/pages/juniors> for further info and how to register. Registrations for other grades have now closed for 2017/18.

Karori Arts and Crafts Centre After School Programme BEGINNERS ART

An introduction to art for 5-7yr olds
Begins 19th October 3.45pm -4.45 pm
Cost: \$80 for 8 wks including materials.
LET'S MAKE ART: DRAWING, PAINTING & COLLAGE
Creating imaginary animals & landscapes for 7-12 yr olds
Begins 19th October 4pm -5.30pm
Costs \$90 for 8 wks including materials.
Email Margaret at karoriarts.crafts@xtra.co.nz to enrol

Choir practice has moved to A) B?@° J evenings
The Kelburn Chorale is a relaxed choir for M|j led by Nicola Holt and it's lots of fun!
It's open to all enthusiastic singers and reading music is not necessary.
Feel free to come along and give it a try.
For more information please email Nicolaholt12@gmail.com

Sushi Lunches starts the first week of term. Place your order for FRIDAYS via the Kindo Shop on your school website or via www.ezlunch.co.nz.
Please note our final day for deliveries this year is Friday 15th December.

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Being a Brownie with GirlGuiding NZ is a popular choice for girls aged 7 to 9 ½ and it is great to be able to offer the opportunity to more girls to join our unit in Kelburn.
Guiding is about learning, developing self-confidence, making new friends and, of course, having lots of fun outside school! Our programmes are provided in a fun, safe environment and Brownies get together each week with girls their own age to do lots of cool stuff including outdoor adventures, conservation, cooking, crafts, games and community action projects – all challenging the girls to achieve and grow.
Kelburn Brownies meet on a Tuesday from 4.30pm – 6pm at the Kelburn Scout Hall in the Wellington Botanic Gardens. If you have a 7 to 9 ½ year old daughter who likes to have fun then contact Kelburn Brownies at kelburnbrownies@gmail.com or call Katrina on 0220 963 973

Cybersafety and our Kids - An Evening with Karen Spencer
Monday 13 November, Karori Normal School Hall @ 7pm
The light hearted, but information session will educate all parents and caregivers with what the kids are thinking and doing on their devices when we're not watching. #scary
Karen Spencer, an expert in this field will talk you through and settle all your family IT nightmares.
Tickets are available at the door for \$10
Check out Karen at <https://karenmelhuishspencer.com>
Given the nature of the challenging topics to be covered, it is suggested that children not be brought to the evening.

