

# KARORI NORMAL SCHOOL

## NEWSLETTER

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### 2020 Term Dates

Term 1 Tuesday 4 Feb – Thursday 9 Apr  
Term 2 Tuesday 28 Apr – Friday 3 Jul  
Term 3 Monday 20 Jul – Friday 25 Sept  
Term 4 Monday 12 Oct – Wednesday 16 Dec

### 2020 TEAMS

**Rōpū Kōwhai – Y1** (Team Leader Lisa Hadfield)  
Rooms 6, 9, 10, 12 & 13

**Rōpū Mānuka – Y2** (Team Leader Pam Carr)  
Rooms 14, 15, 16 & 17

**Rōpū Pōhutukawa – Y3** (Team Leader Phil McIntosh)  
Rooms 1, 2, 4 & 5

**Rōpū Akakura – Y4** (Team Leader Fiona Campbell)  
Rooms 22, 23 & 23A

**Rōpū Kahikatea – Y5/6** (Team Leader David Wong & Anne-Marie Richardson)  
Rooms 18, 19, 20, 21, 33, 34 & 35

**Rōpū Totara – Y7/8** (Team Leader Trish Blacktop & Laura Brennan)  
Rooms 24, 25, 26, 27, 28 & 29

### Important Dates

Mar 10 New Entrants Open Morning 9.30am  
Mar 20 Y 1-3 Athletics pp 23/3  
Mar 24 WZ Football pp 26/3  
Mar 25 Y 7/8 Athletics pp 1/4  
Mar 27 Ultimate Challenge  
Mar 30 Year 1 He Ata Tūwhera 9.15am  
Apr 2 Raising Resilient Children Talk 7pm  
Apr 3 Rōpū Akakura Assembly 9am  
Apr 3 Rōpū Kahikatea Assembly 2pm  
Apr 9 End of Term 1

Any additional or altered dates will be highlighted in yellow each week

### Welcome

Welcome to the following new pupils: Lillah D.

### From the Principal

Kia ora tātou

A huge thank you to the KNS PTA for their fantastic organisation of the school picnic last Friday evening. It was wonderful to see so many of you there enjoying the late summer sunshine and the community spirit. Congratulations to our Kapa Haka group who performed so well in windy conditions. This was the group's first performance of the year and they performed with confidence, energy and skill. Ka mau te wehi!

### Pandemic Planning

We have recently reviewed our pandemic planning following advice from the Ministry of Education (MoE). The full plan can be found on the KNS website in the Health & Safety section; [KNS Health & Safety Information](#); key points to note are:

- We will take our lead from the MoE and Ministry of Health (MoH) regarding any decisions related to school closure and/or the dissemination of information to the wider school community.
- We will use email and the school website to share updates with the school community; this is to avoid any confusion that might arise.
- It is important that parents/caregivers provide the school with up-to-date email addresses so that we can contact you. If you are unsure whether or not we have your most recent email address please contact the school office, [office@kns.school.nz](mailto:office@kns.school.nz).
- Practising good hand and sneeze/cough hygiene is the best defence; please encourage your children to wash their hands regularly and to cover coughs and sneezes with a clean tissue or elbow and dispose of used tissues in the bin. KNS staff will be reinforcing these messages as well.
- It is very important that children who are unwell stay at home.

### Bullying Prevention

The 2019 end-of-year parent/caregiver survey highlighted that a number of you are unsure what to do if your child has experienced bullying. Bullying is unacceptable at KNS and we work hard to build a culture in which incidents of bullying are rare. We need your help with dealing with bullying when it does occur, by informing us if your child tells you about an incident, so that we can follow up at school.

If your child tells you about any incident which causes you concern, please don't hesitate to contact your child's teacher, so that we can follow up. Teachers may then seek support from a team leader or one of our Deputy Principals before deciding

on the action to be taken. Bullying is unacceptable and we need to work as a whole KNS community to prevent it happening.

#### **Whakataukī o te wiki (Proverb of the Week)**

**Hei ta te kaiako ka tuwhera i tona kuaha, engari, mahau ano e kuhu mai.** - Teachers open the door, but you must enter yourself

#### **A thought to share with your children:**

“Be so busy improving yourself that you have no time to criticize others.” (Chetan Bhagat)

Ngā Mihi  
Conrad Kelly  
Principal

#### **Parent and Whānau Conversation on sharing student learning at KNS.**

*We are reviewing the way we share student learning and partnership with our families and whānau.*

*You are invited to come and share with us your thoughts on how we currently share children's progress and learning . We are interested in gathering community voice to help us with our review.*

***Please come to the staffroom for a cuppa and conversation on either Monday March 16th at 9 am or Tuesday 17th March at 2:30pm.***

*Conrad, James and Andrea will meet you there.*

## **School News**

### **School Road Patrols**

Each week we will publish the names of the two children who will be on road patrol duties for the week. Please check and ensure you know when you are on duty. This is very important. Any queries contact Andrea Peetz – [apeetz@kns.school.nz](mailto:apeetz@kns.school.nz).

**Thursday 5 Mar**

**Friday 6 Mar**

**Monday 9 Mar**

**Tuesday 10 Mar**

**Wednesday 11 Mar**

**Rory D & Ben D Rm 29**

**Nicolas S & Ella H Rm 29**

**Vihaan K & Samuel B Rm 33**

**Abigail M & Harriet M Rm 18**

**Susannah C Rm 28 & Hana W Rm 26**

## **Sports News**

### **Looking for keen Year 5 boys and girls to play netball!**

Is your son or daughter keen to try netball this year? If so, our Year 5 grade would love them to join our club! If your child would like to play or has any questions please let me or Kate know. You can contact us know by email on [pjapplesx5@gmail.com](mailto:pjapplesx5@gmail.com) or [kate\\_brownlee@yahoo.com](mailto:kate_brownlee@yahoo.com).

### **COMPETITIVE CRICKET**

Our Year 5-6 Competitive Cricket Team kicked off their first Pool Matches yesterday, Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> March and the Year 7-8 Squad commence on Thursday, 5<sup>th</sup> March.

Good luck to all Competitors for the Competition, I am sure you will do KNS proud!

### **Year 5/6 Competitive Cricket**

Our year 5/6 boys played two games on Tuesday. The first was against Wellesley College. KNS batted first and put a competitive 190 on the board, with strong batting from all the players on display. They followed up with some excellent fielding, including some magnificent diving catches. At the end of their twenty overs Wellesley had scored 70 runs.

The second game was against Muritai school. Again KNS batted first, this time scoring 117. The wind had picked up by the time we took to the field so some extra care was required to keep up their high standards bowling and fielding. Muritai managed to score 57 in their 20 overs.

A huge thank you to the parents who helped with transport and supporting the boys during their games. Good luck for the remainder of the games.

## **ATHLETICS**

Athletics is a major event in our school sports calendar and we require a number of parent helpers to assist us with this event. Sports days are also a great opportunity to see your child participate in a range of events.

### YR 1-3

Our Junior Athletics day for Team Kowhai and Team Pōhutukawa will be held on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March from 9.30am to 12.30pm at Ben Burn Park. We require a couple of Parent Helpers for this day so If you are able to assist please contact Jess Sewell on [jsewell@kns.co.nz](mailto:jsewell@kns.co.nz)

### YR 7-8

Our YR 7-8 Athletics Day is coming up on Wednesday 25th March which will be run from approximately 9am till 2pm. We understand that parents are busy, so, in order to accommodate this we have different choices for parent helpers.

Options include

1. Helping out in the morning (approximately 9 - 12pm)
2. Helping out in the afternoon (approximately 12 - 2:00pm)
3. Helping out all day (approximately 9 - 2:00pm)

If you are able to assist with helping out please contact Jess Sewell on [jsewell@kns.co.nz](mailto:jsewell@kns.co.nz)

## **AIMS GAMES**

The AIMS Games amazing new website is now [LIVE](#), which also signals the start of registrations for the 2020 Anchor AIMS Games!

Please see information below regarding registration for these events. These are Parent led sporting teams/ events however KNS will support Parents in this endeavour. If you would like to organise and register a team you will need to seek permission from the Principal to enter students in the first instance.

We're absolutely delighted to kick-start a massive year for our 17th tournament, set to take place from Saturday September 5 to Friday September 11, with a fresh new look and a far better online navigation experience.

### **Registration info and tips:**

- Registration is open for the seventeenth Anchor AIMS Games International Sporting Championships - set to take place in Tauranga, New Zealand from 5 – 11 September 2020.
- Visit the sport specific page for detailed code registration information (code specific links below).
- Registration will only be accepted through EnterNOW online – find out how to [HERE](#).
- Each school has been allocated an EnterNOW unique Anchor AIMS Games registration login code and password (this has been emailed to the school key contact).
- Registration is only accepted via the nominated school key contact.
- Registration for the 17th Games will close June 10, 2020. The AIMS Games Trust has a strict NO REFUND policy from this date!
- An invoice will be emailed to the 'School Account Manager' after the entry closing date and payment must be made within 7 days of receipt of the invoice.
- Students competing must be enrolled full-time in the school they are representing.
- New Zealand students competing must be a Year 7 or Year 8 student.
- New Zealand schools must be an affiliated member of [NZAIMS](#) - New Zealand Association of Intermediate and Middle Schooling.
- Students may compete in more than one code however timetable allowances will NOT be made for any competitors.
- Competitors must be Over 10 years and 13 years of age or Under as at the 1st January of the tournament year (2020), competitor's birthdates will be required on school registration documentation (accepted birth years for the 2020 Games are: 2007, 2008 and 2009).
- All participants must have online medical and media waiver documentation completed to be eligible compete (by August 14, 2020).

We want to reinforce some of our key messages, as we look to make our tournament an exemplar event. It's really important children at this age don't specialise too early - they need to try as many sports and pastimes as possible and develop all-round skills and enjoyment. That's a massive driver for us, to give our competitors as many options as possible and also expose them to other sports they may not have experienced before.

### Links to code specific registration information pages:

- 1) [Badminton](#)
- 2) [Basketball](#)
- 3) [BMX](#)
- 4) [Canoe Sport](#)
- 5) [Cross Country](#)
- 6) [Football](#)
- 7) [Futsal](#)
- 8) [Golf](#)
- 9) [Gymnastics](#)
- 10) [Hip Hop](#)
- 11) [Hockey](#)
- 12) [Indoor Bowls](#)
- 13) [Mountain Biking](#)
- 14) [Multi-Sport](#)
- 15) [Netball](#)
- 16) [Rock Climbing](#)
- 17) [Rugby](#)
- 18) [Squash](#)
- 19) [Swimming](#)
- 20) [Table Tennis](#)
- 21) [Tennis](#)
- 22) [Water Polo](#)
- 23) [Yachting](#)

For registration enquiries, email the Tournament Director, Vicki Semple [vickis@nzaimsgames.co.nz](mailto:vickis@nzaimsgames.co.nz)

### COMING UP

Keep an eye out for details regarding our upcoming Western Zones Football Tournament.

Jess Sewell

Sports Administrator

## PTA News

It was great to see so many families at last Friday's picnic. And our Kapa Haka group did us proud with a fantastic performance. Ka aroha ra. The PTA would like to thank everyone who helped us put together the picnic, including Hellers Sausages for Schools, the Sizzlers crew, Harish at New World, Bill at Gipps St Butchers, and David Wong on the music.

Thea, Helena, Petra and Tom (KNS PTA)







## Do you like to collaborate to organise a bit of FUN?

The duo/team that organises the Ultimate Challenge is down to one and we need one or two people to get on board and support this event. You do not need to create the challenges as we have a bank of them but new ideas or the ability to refresh them are welcome. There are a range of roles that you can take on such as admin, gathering resources, helping set up prior to the event or just be general support.

This year the Ultimate Challenge is on Friday 27th March

Happy to answer any questions and find a role that suits your skills and time. I look forward to hearing from you!

Hayley Familton [hayley74@gmail.com](mailto:hayley74@gmail.com)

## Raising Resilient Children

Come and listen to Kathryn Berkett present a talk on “Raising Resilient Children” where we will learn what we can do as parents and as a community to help. The talk will cover what resilience looks like with some real take home strategies and include easy to understand examples.

Kathryn Berkett of ENGAGE has her Masters in Educational Psychology, and has extensive experience in understanding how trauma can impact on development. She has worked and trained, nationally and internationally, delivering to a variety of organisations.

There will be a chance to catch up with other parents over a light supper provided by the PTA.

The event is on 2 April Thursday night, 7pm, school hall.

Tickets are \$10 per person and can be purchased at event bright through the following link.

<https://www.eventbrite.co.nz/e/kns-talk-on-resilience-tickets-88805249893>



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