

KARORI NORMAL SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

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2020 Term Dates

Term 3 Monday 20 Jul – Friday 25 Sept

Teacher Only Day – Friday 21 August

Term 4 Monday 12 Oct – Wednesday 16 Dec

Teacher Only Day – Friday 13 November

2020 TEAMS

Rōpū Kōwhai – Y1 (Team Leader Lisa Hadfield)
Rooms 6, 7, 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)

Important Dates

Aug 15 & 16 Get your bricks on (PTA fundraiser) 10 - 4

Aug 17 – 20 ICAS Science

Aug 18 New Entrants Open Morning 9.30am

Aug 18 IZ Cross Country pp 20/25/27 Aug

Aug 19 BOT Meeting 6.30pm

Aug 21 Teacher Only Day

Aug 24 – 28 ICAS English

Aug 26 PTA Meeting 7.30pm

Aug 31 – Sep 4 ICAS Mathematics

Sep 1 Powhiri

Sep 2 Year 2 ASB Centre Trip

Sep 4 Surf's Up (KNS Disco)

Junior Disco 4pm – 5.30pm

Senior Disco 6.15pm – 7.45pm

Sep 8 Reg Cross Country pp 10 Sep

Sep 8 WZ Hockey pp 10 Sep

Sep 9 Year 3 ASB Sports Trip

Sep 9 BOT Meeting 6.30pm

Sep 17 IZ Swimming

Sep 24 Inter Reg Cross Country

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

Welcome

Welcome to the following new pupils: Lewis Allen & Charlie Turton.

From the Principal

Tena koutou te whānau

Apologies for the lateness of this newsletter, we decided to make the move to Alert Level 2 the only focus of our communication yesterday. Thank you all very much for your support with the change in procedures brought about by the shift in Alert Levels.

Congratulations to Andrea Peetz, one of our Deputy Principals, who has been appointed as the new principal of Northland School, commencing in January 2021. Andrea has been a very well respected member of staff at KNS for over 10 years and has been instrumental in much of the positive change at the school over this time. Northland School is very fortunate to have such a high calibre leader joining them next year. We will begin the recruitment process for a new Deputy Principal soon.

At the moment we are still planning to go ahead with the 2020 KNS Gala. Our gala committee is meeting after school, next Tuesday 18 August. As you know the gala is a key community and school event, it is great that we have this enthusiastic and skilled group preparing for this.

2020 Teacher Only Days - Reminder

We had intended to hold a Teacher only Staff Development Day, on Friday 29 May. This was postponed because we felt that closing the school for children so close to the return from lockdown, would not have been the right thing to do.

We are now intending to hold two staff development, Teacher only Days between now and the end of the year on:

- **Friday 21 August**
- Friday 13 November

Please note that the first of these days is being held on Friday next week and the school will be closed for children on this day.

Parent/Caregiver Communication Feedback

Thank you to those of you who have contacted a member of the leadership team with your thoughts on the piece below from last week's newsletter. If you have ideas or thoughts you wish to share please contact one of the Senior Leadership Team.

Partnership with our parent/caregiver community is very important to us. One of the issues that our Senior Leadership Team (SLT) often discuss, is how can we better promote a sense that our open door policy is genuine and that we and our teaching staff value parents/caregivers coming to see us to raise concerns and ask questions. We feel that sometimes parents/caregivers are reluctant to raise issues or questions with us because we appear busy or might see the matter as not being important and so parents/caregivers wait until a 'formal' meeting' e.g. parent/teacher meetings, before approaching their child's teacher or a member of the SLT. This leads to us sometimes feeling like 'the ambulance at the bottom of the cliff', dealing with issues left unaddressed, which have grown more serious over time.

We would like to change this 'culture', but are unsure how to do this. If you do have any ideas that you would be prepared to share, to help us promote the idea that parents/caregivers can contact us any time, please contact one of the SLT:

- Conrad Kelly ckelly@kns.school.nz
- Andrea Peetz apectz@kns.school.nz
- James Appleton jappleton@kns.school.nz

PTA – Lego Event Cancelled

Given the move to Alert Level Two this week, the PTA in conjunction with the school have decided to cancel the planned Lego event this weekend. While this is disappointing, the move to Level 2 and the prospect that it may extend beyond Friday midnight brings a range of issues that make running the event safely and within the guidelines very challenging.

Whakataukī o te wiki (Proverb of the Week)

Kāore te kumara e kōrero mō tōna ake reka

The kumara does not say how sweet it is – This proverb promotes humility

A thought to share with your children:

"The journey of a thousand miles begins with one step." (Lao Tzu)

Ngā Mihi

Conrad, Andrea and James

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 – apectz@kns.school.nz.

Thursday 13 Aug

Friday 14 Aug

Monday 17 Aug

Tuesday 18 Aug

Wednesday 19 Aug

Thomas TD & Ollie A Rm 24

Ora M & Matthew BC Rm 25

Harriet M & Abigail M Rm 18

Amy W & Violet M Rm 21

Arabella S & Emily C Rm 27

Sports News

Inter Zone Cross Country

On Tuesday 18th August we will have 35 students representing KNS at inter zone cross country. Inter zone cross country will take place at Grenada North Park. The first race begins at 11 am with the Year 4's followed by Year 7 - 8 - 5 & 6's.

Wellington Primary & Intermediate schools Tennis Tournament

We are looking for any children who are interested in participating in the Wellington Primary and Intermediate Tennis Tournament. This will be held at the Renouf Tennis Center 8.30 am onwards.

The tournament will be held over different days:

- **Girls** - Tuesday 15th September 2020 (back up day Friday 18th September)
- **Boys** - Wednesday 16th and Thursday 17th September (if needed).

This is a **competitive tennis tournament** and the students who enter must have played tennis before and have knowledge of the rules of tennis and how to score. Players must also bring their own tennis racquets for the event and wear appropriate sporting attire. We will require parents to transport children to and from the event. **There is a cost of \$20 per child** which is payable to the school bank account. The account number is 06 0589 0412349 001 please reference tennis and child/ren's name.

There are 2 different grades the students can enter:

- Open (Year 7 & 8)
- Year 6 and under (primary)

Please indicate what grade your child would like to be entered in. **Entries are due Tuesday 1st September at 3 pm.**

Please complete this google permission slip/entry form: <https://forms.gle/tiLDRceHkhTfL9Kh9>

If you have any further questions please feel free to contact me via email apatel@kns.school.nz

KNS Sports Shirts Needed back ASAP

Please return any KNS sports tops to the office in Tui Block. There is a blue washing basket the shirts can be returned to. We need these shirts ASAP as we are running very low and have 3 events we need them for.

UPCOMING DATES

Outlined below are the upcoming Term 3 Western Zone event dates to be aware of. In the meantime if you have any questions please contact apatel@kns.school.nz.

TERM 3				
	EVENT	DATE	PP DATE	VENUE
INTERZONE	Cross Country	18 August	20/25/27 August	Grenada North
WESTERN ZONE	Hockey	8 September	10 September	National Stadium
REGIONAL	Cross Country	8 September	10 September	Harcourt Park
WGNT & KAPI MANA PRIMARY & INTERMEDIATE SCHOOLS TOURNAMENT	Tennis- Girls	15th September	18 September	Renouf Tennis Centre
WGNT & KAPI MANA PRIMARY & INTERMEDIATE SCHOOLS TOURNAMENT	Tennis- Boys	16 September	17 September	Renouf Tennis Centre
INTER-REGIONAL	Cross Country	24 September		Harcourt Park

Mrs Anita Patel
Sports Administrator

Up and coming events



SURF'S UP!

4 SEPT KNS HALL

THE KNS KIDS DISCO IS BACK WITH AN EPIC BEACH PARTY FOR 2020!

JUNIOR DISCO YRS 0-2: 4.00-5.30PM
SENIOR DISCO YRS 3-6: 6.15-7.45PM

\$7 TICKETS ON SALE ON KINDO 10 - 23 AUGUST

\$4 TICKETS AVAILABLE FOR PRESCHOOLERS TO JUNIOR DISCO

PRIZES FOR CREATIVE COSTUMES!

PROUDLY SUPPORTED BY METRO LIGHTING



Fundraisers



RAFFLE

FUNDRAISER

Buy your ticket to go into the draw to win!

1st Prize
Signed
PHOENIX
FC 2020
Jersey



2nd Prize
Cap, Key ring,
Flag & Tote Bag

COST: 1 ticket \$5
PRIZE DRAWN: Friday 4th September 2020
Buy your tickets online at Kindo
(<https://shop.tgcl.co.nz/shop/>)
KNS receive all proceeds from this raffle



Karori Normal School WINE FUNDRAISER

Karori Normal School's Parent Teacher Association is fundraising to buy a range of learning resources for the school. Funds raised will help with the teachers' wishlist to help bring out the best in our tamariki.

Ōhau Wines is helping us raise money through the sale of their award-winning wines. For every six-pack purchased online, Ōhau Wines will donate \$10 to the PTA.

As a supporter, you will receive a discount on your order and free delivery within New Zealand!

Follow these four simple steps:

- 1.) Visit the Shop page at www.ohauwines.co.nz.
- 2.) Make your wine selection and proceed to check out.
- 3.) Enter the promotional code word below, before proceeding to payment.
- 4.) Receive wine, and enjoy!

DISCOUNT CODE WORD: **KNS2020**



Yummy Fruit Stickers

Thank you to everyone who has been collecting yummy stickers off their fruit. When your sticker sheets are full, please return them to the school office. We will be collecting until **mid-September**. The School Office has spare collection sheets for the "New Variety" and regular apple stickers. You can also print them from <https://www.yummyfruit.co.nz/schools/>

If you have just joined KNS, this is a great fundraiser where we can trade yummy stickers in for new sports equipment from DG Sport. Last year KNS earned over \$2200 worth of new gear from our sticker collecting, so it is well worth doing. Let's see if we can top that this year!

You can buy "Yummy" apples at New World, Pak'n Save, Four Square and some Countdown stores, and put the "Yummy" stickers or bag labels on a collection sheet. Collect either cut-out labels from the bags, or stickers on individual fruit. If you buy 'Ambrosia', 'Sweet Tango' or 'Lemonade' apples, you can use the "New Variety" sticker sheets and get **double** points. Happy munching!



Kids Art Works Calendar Fundraiser - ORDERS OPEN NOW

At the end of last term the students have been busy creating beautiful artwork ready to be turned into high quality Calendars, Greeting Cards, Sketchbooks, Diaries and Mouse Pads.

Your child's artwork is now available for viewing online.

Details on how to view your child's artwork and how to place your order were sent home in a newsletter.

Samples of the products available are located in the office for you to view.

Orders are closing 11:30pm Thursday 5 September.

All orders are made through the Kids Artwork website as per the instructions on the newsletter. Please do not send orders or cash to school.

The calendars and other products will be ready later in the term and make great Christmas presents!

If you wish to order items using photos, you can do this through the website. Select "upload photo" after entering your child's code. Also note that **photos need to be landscape orientation and cropped exactly how you'd like them to be on the final product.**

If you don't have a newsletter, please contact the office or Petra at: kns.pta@gmail.com for your log-in code.

This is one of the PTA's largest fundraisers providing valuable resources for teachers. Please help support us.