

# KARORI NORMAL SCHOOL

## NEWSLETTER

Donald Street, Karori

Newsletter No. 4 – Term 1  
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### 2022 Term Dates

Term 1 Wednesday 2 Feb – Thursday 14 Apr

**Staff only Day on Friday 25 March**

Term 2 Monday 2 May – Friday 8 July

**Staff only day on Friday 03 June**

Term 3 Monday 25 July – Friday 30 Sept

Term 4 Monday 17 Oct – Friday 16 Dec

**Staff only Day on Tuesday 25 October**

### 2022 TEAMS

**Rōpū Kākano – NE** (Team Leader Lisa Hadfield)  
Rooms 6 & 9

**Rōpū Kōwhai – Y1** (Team Leader Julia Laidlaw)  
Rooms 10, 11 & 13

**Rōpū Mānuka – Y2** (Team Leader – Pam Carr)  
Rooms 1, 2, 4 & 5

**Rōpū Pōhutukawa – Y3** (Team Leader Cherie Le Quesne)  
Rooms 14, 15, & 17

**Rōpū Akakura – Y4** (Team Leader Anne-Marie Richardson)  
Rooms 16, 22 & 23

**Rōpū Kahikatea – Y5/6** (Team Leader Fiona Campbell & David Wong)  
Rooms 23A, 24, 25, 33, 34 & 35

**Rōpū Totara – Y7/8** (Team Leader Trish Blacktop & Laura Brennan)  
Rooms 19, 20, 21, 26, 27, 28 & 29

### Important Dates

<https://calendar.google.com/calendar/u/0/r/month/2021/3/1?tab=wc>

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

### Welcome

Welcome to the following new pupils: Will Lyall and Jeremy Ross.

### From the Principal

Kia ora tātou

Thank you very much for the ongoing messages of support to our staff as we begin to experience our first positive cases of COVID 19. It is great to know that the efforts of our staff team are appreciated by our parents/caregivers. I have been impressed with the calm role-modelling of our staff and parent/caregiver community. Our children are looking to us for leadership, they are fortunate to have so many positive influences in their lives.

These are difficult times for our community, please remember we are here to help. As always if you need any support or have any questions, please contact one of the Senior Leadership Team (SLT):

- Conrad Kelly [ckelly@kns.school.nz](mailto:ckelly@kns.school.nz)
- James Appleton [jappleton@kns.school.nz](mailto:jappleton@kns.school.nz)
- Phil McIntosh [pmcintosh@kns.school.nz](mailto:pmcintosh@kns.school.nz)

I know that some of you have worries about sending your children to school. We have a number of measures in place to make KNS as safe as possible, these include:

- Mask wearing for all children in Years 4 and above, unless a child has a mask exemption.
- Greater ventilation of classrooms and the introduction of regular breaks to improve ventilation.
- Designated play spaces for teams.
- Social distancing
- Plenty of hand sanitiser and ongoing encouragement for children use it.

Please remember there are huge social benefits to children continuing to attend school, as well as the academic learning.

### School Website COVID Information

Please check our school website [www.kns.school.nz](http://www.kns.school.nz) for information regarding Phase 3 of the COVID Protection Framework (CPF). There is information that you will find helpful if: you are unsure about self-isolation, what to do if you or a family member tests positive, what health measures we have in place at KNS, how you can support your child if they are feeling anxious etc.

## Home Learning

We will continue to provide home learning for all children, who are unable to attend school onsite at KNS. If you have any questions about your child's home learning please contact your child's teacher.

Our teachers are also providing onsite learning for those attending school. Providing learning for those at home and at school is a new for us. We don't know from day to day how many children are going to be onsite and soon we are expecting some of our staff to be unable to come onsite as well. Currently each team is meeting each day, after the roll has been taken and we know how many children are at school. The team then plan how they will manage the provision of both home learning and onsite learning. I commend our staff team for the positive way they are meeting this challenge.

## COVID Updates

I have had feedback that some of you would like to continue to receive updates on the daily numbers of positive COVID cases at school. The reasons I decided not to send daily updates to all parents/caregivers were; not wanting to; 'bombard' people's inboxes and raise community anxiety levels. If you would like to receive an email update on new positive cases please email me and I will add you to a Bcc email distribution list.

I will continue to send emails to parents/caregivers of children who have a child in a class where a positive case has been notified.

## Junk Email Folders Please Check

A number of parents/caregivers have found that COVID related emails from the following email addresses have been going to their spam/junk folders:

- [office@kns.school.nz](mailto:office@kns.school.nz)
- [jwee@kns.school.nz](mailto:jwee@kns.school.nz)

Please check your junk/spam folder and mark emails from these addresses as not being junk mail.

## Upcoming Enrolments

If you or any friends have soon to be five-year olds who will be enrolling at KNS, I would be very grateful if you would contact our Vicki Lewington, our enrolments officer, [vlewington@kns.school.nz](mailto:vlewington@kns.school.nz) or 4767209, to begin the enrolment process. Early enrolment helps us with our planning for staffing and classroom accommodation.

To help us with planning for the future, please contact us regarding enrolment if your children:

- will turn five in the next 12 months,
- live within our enrolment zone &
- will be attending Karori Normal School

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

- **He aroha whakatō, he aroha ka puta mai** - If kindness is sown, then kindness is what you shall receive.

## A thought to share with your children:

"Do your little bit of good where you are; it's those little bits of good put together that overwhelm the world." (*Desmond Tutu*)

Ngā Mihi

Conrad Kelly  
Principal

## Teacher Aide Position

Karori Normal School has a vacancy for a fixed term part-time Teacher Aide position. If you have the skills and ability to work one to one with a child, or with small groups of children, we would love to hear from you. For further information please contact Phil McIntosh on 04 476-7209 or

[pmcintosh@kns.school.nz](mailto:pmcintosh@kns.school.nz)

## School Communication: Hero - Coming Soon

In the near future we will be changing the way we communicate with you, the KNS community. Currently, most communication is sent via email. We are moving to an app called Hero to streamline our communication. Newsletters, team newsletters, team communication, permission slips, surveys, recording absences and much more will all be moved to the Hero app. Keep an eye on the newsletter as more information will be provided in the coming weeks. All support and sign up instructions will be provided.

# School News

## Children's masks

Please ensure that your children remember to bring their masks to school each day.

**We suggest your child have a small supply of spare masks in their bags, in case their mask breaks or they forget their mask.**

We only have a small supply of spare masks at school and would like to keep these spares for exceptional circumstances.

## 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 Phil McIntosh – [pmcintosh@kns.school.nz](mailto:pmcintosh@kns.school.nz)

Thursday 3 March  
Friday 4 March  
Monday 7 March  
Tuesday 8 March  
Wednesday 9 March

Isabelle S Rm 33 & Muna A Rm 19  
Samuel R Rm 23A & Nerushan P Rm 23A  
Mila B Rm 24 & Lia M Rm 24  
Leela C Rm 34 & Finn C Rm 24  
Oscar B Rm 25 & Natalia F Rm 21

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## Shoe Clinic The fitting choice

### Webstore

Now all at models are available at all Shoe Clinic

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## Sports News

### KNS Netball

Karori Normal School Netball registration for players is now open! We would love to see your child join our club and play for us. If your child is interested please follow this link:

<https://www.sporty.co.nz/viewform/190455>

## PTA News



Find us on

Facebook

<https://www.facebook.com/karorinormalschool/>

**WELCOME BACK!**

## Year 7 and 8 KNS Hoodies

It's a KNS tradition that Y7/8's have the opportunity to purchase a KNS hoodie with their name on it (surnames OR first names only\*)

If your child would like one please read on....



Cost: \$62 per hoodie - purchase using [Kindo](#)  
[Sizing and product info](#) (most common size chosen in 2021 was kids 14 years)

Organised by the KNS PTA (at cost – this is not a fundraiser).

Order by: Mar 7 (no late orders)

\*No nicknames or alternative spellings.



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