



Kelvin Road School Newsletter

“Be the best you can be...
Kia toa, Kia Manawanui

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Term 3 Week 5

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Welcome, Haere Mai, Nau Mai, Malo e me'a mai, Afio mai

**MARK YOUR
CALENDAR!**

Upcoming dates

**Monday 1st July -
8th September**
Dental clinic in
school

Tuesday 17th Sep
BOT meeting

Friday 27th Sep
End of Term 3

Monday 14th Oct
Term 4 starts

Friday 13th Dec
End of Term 4

 **BREAKFAST
CLUB**
8.00 - 8.30 am.
All Kelvin Road
School Students
are welcome

Pre-Enrolments

We encourage all parents and caregivers to pre-enrol their new entrants at our school. By coming in early to enrol your child this means we are better prepared for their start. We can ensure your child has a smooth transition and all resources are in place for them. Please see the school office for enrollment forms and more information. You can also contact the school secretary on 298 8417 or secretary@krs.ac.nz.

Daily Karakia

Thank you to **Pono** and **Jodacey** from Ruma Wha for helping us begin and end our day last week with a karakia and waiata through the intercom system to all classrooms. This week we have had the pleasure of **Gizell, Amelia** and **Te Ngakau-Mahaki**, from Ruma Wha, singing to us over the airwaves.

Thank you!

A huge thank you to Miss Moloney for coaching the Year 5 netball girls. Rain, hail or shine she rallied herself every Tuesday and Saturday to bring our Year 5 netball girls together for practices, (sometimes with only two fronting), and game time. In their final game last Saturday it was so heartening to see how they had strengthened in their skill set and as Team.

Amazing volunteers

We would also like to acknowledge our wonderful volunteers who make sure Breakfast Club runs smoothly every morning before school, ensuring all the children attend are well fed and ready for a great start to their day. They also prepare the lunches that are available to children who may need them that day. Thank you for your support and giving up your precious time Whaea Mary, Whaea Maria and Whaea Yvonne.

Room 2

Kia Ora, whanau,
Room 2 have been working hard at learning:

- Letter sounds and sight words with fun games and learning resources such as the Jolly Phonics Programme.
- The Early Words Programme with whaea Louise, our teacher aide.
- Numbers through identification games, songs and practicing to write the numbers.
- Fractions by solving real problems e.g. cutting up fruit into halves and quarters to learn about equal shares and the meaning of fraction symbols.
- Hockey skills, by holding the hockey stick correctly, controlling the ball around cones, passing and hitting.

The BP Technology Challenge is also creating a buzz in our classroom. The students are making 'Toys for Tots' where they are deciding, designing, problem solving and working together to make their own toys, which is great to see! Room 2 students are very talented and enthusiastic learners and are having lots of fun learning every day!



Message from the Board

This month our meeting focused on the reporting of progress so far this year in the curriculum areas of; Reading, Writing and Mathematics across the school.

Deputy Principal's Mr McMillan and Mrs Davis presented two comprehensive interim reports which showed the academic tracking of our children according to Years 0-3 and Years 4-8. The reports showed that we have areas of need and development but most importantly that the impact of **non-attendance and lateness is holding our children back from achieving their best!**

Children who **do regularly attend school are achieving better** than those children who do not.

20% - Almost 20% of children do not attend school every day

100 – At our school roll that is almost 100 children not attending school

We ask families/whanau/aiga to support each to help get kids to school every day. With heat pumps in every class, your child is nice and warm in winter. Your child has a teacher who cares, friends to learn and to play with, resources and fun activities to stimulate their imagination and creativity. School prepares your child for choices in the future i.e. further training, higher learning and better job opportunities, so that they can improve their lives and the lives of people around them.

PROBLEMS	SOLUTIONS
Uniform dirty/wet	Send child to school in mufti and we can provide a uniform for the day which they return before they go home.
No lunch	School can provide lunches as a stop gap measure, ie sandwiches, muesli bars, fruit. If this is an ongoing problem we can also provide help through our Social Worker in School.
No breakfast	We are lucky enough to have volunteers who run a Breakfast Club five days a week from 8:00 am - 8:30 am. Everyone is welcome to come along for some weetbix.
Raining	The school provides raincoats through Kidscan to help children dry on the way to school. Another way to help is to put your child's uniform in a plastic bag in their school bag and when they get to school they can get dry and change back into their uniform.
No one home in time to pick up child from school	SKIDS provides an after school care programme. They also offer WINZ subsidies. Their contact details are 09-265-2422 or 021-300-146

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Measles Outbreak in South Auckland



There has been a high number of confirmed cases of Measles in South Auckland. At the time of writing there have been no confirmed cases at our school.

Please could **ALL** parents/caregivers check that their children have been vaccinated for Measles.

This means your child will have normally had two vaccinations, one at 15 months and one at 4 years old.

If you are unsure, you can check with your family doctor. There is a database your doctor can access which has the information. If your child has had the vaccinations elsewhere, the information is still there. It is **FREE** to get the MMR (Measles, Mumps and Rubella vaccination) across all GP services.

HOW WILL I KNOW?

Symptoms of Measles:

1. Runny nose and eyes, coughing, sneezing and a temperature
2. The symptom that tells you it is Measles is the rash which appears all over the body.



Do you think you have measles?

Have you been in contact with someone who has measles? Do you have a fever and any of the following symptoms:

Cough



Runny nose



Sore red eyes



Rash



WHEN IS IT INFECTIOUS?

- 5 days before any symptoms appear
- 5 days after the rash comes out.

Please be aware the school does have cases of chickenpox at the moment which does have similar symptoms but the rash is different. Chickenpox are more like raised pimples that scab over. If you have any further questions or are unsure please see your family doctor.

If you know your child **is not** immunised against Measles (also known as the MMR vaccine) please list their name here.

Child/ren's name _____

*This is for our records so we know who to notify first **if** there is a measles outbreak at our school.*

Our school nurse can help with immunisations for children under 10 here at school, however she would need to order in the vaccine, therefore, it is faster if you visit your family doctor.

The school nurse is May Kennedy and her contact number is 021 273 9508