

# PROPERTY UPDATE

## Exciting progress is being made on our new buildings!

For those of you who have visited school recently will see that our new buildings are now well underway. One of the new classroom blocks now has internal walls and even glass in the windows, while the other block is now up to the wall framing stage. We are hopeful that we will be able to move into these new blocks at the beginning (or close to the beginning) of term 3.

## New buildings

Our current property development includes two new classroom spaces with 6 home classes in each. These buildings are designed with flexible learning spaces in mind and are split into groups of 3 home classes working together. They include new standards of heating, lighting, acoustics, and ICT connectivity. These new classroom spaces are currently being constructed in previously vacant spaces on our site to limit disruptions. There will be a joint effort from everyone though as our Akeake and Totara teams move into them once completed.

## Refurbishments

The current buildings that will stay have been refurbished over the Christmas holidays with flexible learning spaces in mind including adapting to new standards of heating, lighting, acoustic, and ICT connectivity. Room 1-4 will have a second stage of refurbishment over the 2017/18 Christmas holidays.

## Property development news

Kaiapoi North School is undergoing major property redevelopment over the next 2 years. We have been working with the Ministry of Education, a Project Manager, architects and HRS contractors to create modern classroom spaces that enable flexible and comfortable learning conditions. The \$5.6 million dollar project is now fully underway!



## APRIL HOLIDAY WORK

If you are at KNS over the holiday break please take note of health and safety signage, cones and fences. The following work will be occurring over the break:

- Services upgrade from the main power box in front of the office, along the south end of junior block and down the south fence driveway. This area will be fenced off (no access). There may be times where the water to the drinking fountains may be turned off.
- Security camera installation - outdoor camera units will be installed in the holidays to blocks that will be staying. Sign of the times unfortunately to try to eliminate out of school hours vandalism.
- The front of Rm 13-15 will be fenced off so a new concrete frontage and outdoor bag hooks can be installed.
- Contractors vehicles will continue to access our site from the paper road and across the south fence line of our school - please keep an extra eye on your young children at all times if visiting our school in the holidays.

## Guiding design

Kaiapoi North School's mission statement guide our designs:

### **Striving for Personal Excellence**

We aim to ensure we provide our current and future KNS children with **flexible, innovative and modern learning environments** that give them the opportunity to experience:

- **AGENCY** - the opportunity to take a lead role in their own learning
- **UBIQUITY** - the ability to learn anywhere and any time. Classroom designs for today look very different to past models. Learning is ongoing and has no start or end point. Learning can be individual or in collaboration with others
- **CONNECTEDNESS** - the opportunity to be connected on-line to available learning resources on a reliable and fast network

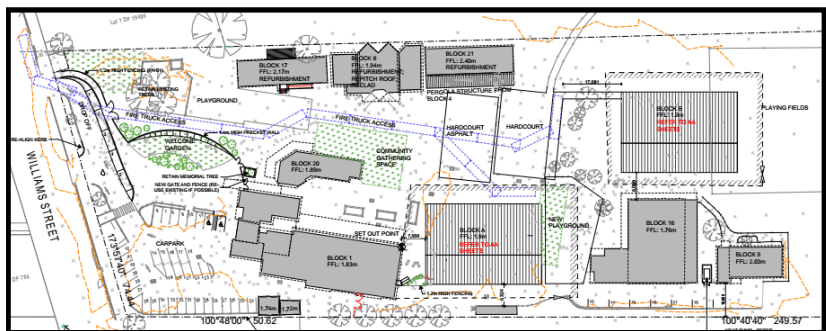
Our children deserve a learning environment that enables them to strive for personal excellence, to challenge themselves and work successfully with others. This is our goal for this property development.



## Photograph of the progress of our new blocks



This block is the one closest to the hall where Totara team will move in to. Both blocks are being built to the same design.



School plan showing position of new blocks and how areas will look when some existing blocks are removed.

If you would like further information about any of this information please contact Jason Miles either in person or via email at [jason.m@kaiapoinorth.school.nz](mailto:jason.m@kaiapoinorth.school.nz)

### End of term 1, 2017 reminders

- **Tuesday 11th April - KNS Cross Country Day** at the Domain and Kaiapoi Rugby Club - children to wear House t-shirts please.
- **Thursday 13th April - end of term 1 class certificate assembly and farewell for Tania Reid, 2pm start.**
- **Tuesday 25th April (in holidays) - 9:30am meet on Davies Street in school uniform for ANZAC DAY parade**
- **Monday 1st May - Term 2 begins.**