

PRINCIPALS MESSAGE

Kia ora
We are nearing the end of a busy but enjoyable term at Kaiapoi North! The children have worked hard in the classroom and had many opportunities to participate in. **Thank you to our teachers and support staff** for the superb job you do supporting the learning and well-being of our children. **Thank you to parents and caregivers** for your support with the children’s learning and with activities and opportunities. Our last day for term 2 is next Friday 7th July and we look forward to welcoming the children back again on Monday 24th July.

Our **Student Led Conferences are next week - Tuesday 4th and Wednesday 5th July. Please note classes will finish early at 2.00 p.m. on Wednesday 5th July.** We would appreciate you trying to collect the children at this time, however children who cannot be collected early will be supervised in the library until 3:00pm. Room 18 and 19 students will remain at technology until returning to KNS at 3:00pm. **The Pines Beach/Kairaki bus will collect children from school at the usual time so unless the bus children are collected at 2pm they will go to the library and catch the bus as normal at 3pm.**

Congratulations to our Year 5 and 6 boys and girls basketball teams who competed in the Canterbury Schools tournament on Monday. **The girl’s team finished in 1st place and the boy’s team finished 2nd!!** - a great effort! Thank you to Mrs Megan Gilmore for your leadership and Peter McAllistair and Dean Towart for coaching these teams. **KNS has been confirmed as the strongest basketball school in Canterbury with a 1st and 2nd placing in Year 5/6, and 2nd and 3rd placing at Year 7/8 level!** All the best to our **Year 7/8 basketball teams that will be competing in a South Island tournament in Oamaru** in the holidays. The teams have worked hard in the past months to train and prepare as well as fundraise for this tournament. Thank you to coaches Mrs Gilmore, Mr Johnson, Matt Cunninghame, Reuben Fletcher, Matt Sherlock and Molly Cockburn for all the work you have put into preparing the teams - go North!!

Well done to our Year 5/6 EPro8 challenge team who are now through to the Canterbury final at Heaton Intermediate next Wednesday after finishing in the top 4 teams at the semi finals. The challenge for the KNS Tech-Knights was to problem solve by building models using construction materials such as axles, wheels and incorporating electronics. Well done team, all the best for next week!

Congratulations to our team of 9 **KNS Cross Country runners** who competed with grit and determination in the Canterbury Cross Country last week. There were 120 runners in each race from around Canterbury that were there representing their zone’s. Well done to **Milan Newton, Ethan Watson, Luca Marson, Jayden Fitzgerald, Breanna Miller, and Hikaru Takao. A special congratulations to Aliyah Newton who finished 7th in the Year 6 girl’s event** and will now be running in the Canterbury team in a national event in Timaru at the end of term 3 - a terrific achievement! **Amber Brownlee (16th) and Dylan Fern (4th)** will now be running off in a Year 7 final against Intermediate School runners to see if they can also qualify for the Canterbury team.

Please note that our assembly next Friday 7th July will be a combined assembly/end of term awards and Jump Jam competition beginning at 1:45pm in the hall.

There will be a Property News update coming home early next week. Community support and assistance is so important in educating and growing positive learners – let us

Kind regards, **Jason Miles, Principal**

DEPUTY PRINCIPALS MESSAGE

Kia Ora, Greetings to you all
By the time you receive this newsletter there will only be just over one week left of our school term, which continues to remind one of how quickly the days fly by. On this note, it also makes one think of the countless opportunities we all have to invest in each other, and more particularly in our children. Sometimes when I think over last week, or even yesterday, I tend to ask the question, “could I have done anything differently regarding this or that?” or “have I made the difference I would like to have achieved?” Yet while I guess we all have a time of self-reflection, it is really about our intent, in terms of what we work hard to achieve that counts. Whatever part of the school community we are at, and no matter what we are working on, we may never achieve all we set out to. As parents and caregivers, I am sure you can understand where I am coming from, yet as a school it will always be our endeavour to work together to achieve the best outcomes we can for our children.
On that note, we have **school conferences next week.** These provide very important opportunities for us all to consolidate how we can support each other, and how we can achieve that collectively in the interests of our children. May I thank you all in advance for your willingness to be a part of these student led conferences on Tuesday and Wednesday next week.
May I also take this opportunity to thank our staff at Kaiapoi North School. From where I sit, and believe me I have had the opportunity to reflect on the staff input into student well-being and learning across many years in this profession, I have the utmost respect for our school’s staff along with all they achieve for our children. I am sure you will also be well aware of the extra curricula opportunities our staff provide. Presently we have many staff organising holiday experiences and opportunities for our children. These involve “fun” experiences for some groups of children as well as sporting and other extra curricula activities many staff choose to involve themselves in over the holidays. Some staff even attend the children's weekend sports games or activities, just to show that interest and encouragement of what our children do over the weekends. **For this and much more, I wish all our staff a very relaxing holiday break,** and one where I hope they can do some things just for themselves.
As parents and caregivers I also hope the holiday break is a good one for you all. May you and your children enjoy each others company and be able to reflect on some quality time together.
And always remember we welcome parent feedback, and with it, the opportunities work through concerns together. The partnership we have established together is important to us all.
Ka Kite Ano, Jack Oldridge

BOARD OF TRUSTEES NEWS

Thank you to the parents who put their name forward to be co-opted to the Board of Trustees to fill the vacancy as Ian Duncan heads to Wellington. **The Board of Trustees are pleased to announce that Jamie McKay has been co-opted to the Board of Trustees** for the remaining 2 years of this board’s tenure.

BAG TAG COLLECTION

Raupo syndicate have been studying recycling and reusing resources to help the environment, and are collecting the plastic tags from bread bags, etc. A wheelbarrow full of plastic tags can be sold & raises enough money to buy a wheelchair for the Red Cross. Please support this initiative by keeping your plastic tags out of landfill, and dropping them onto the big glass jar in the school office.

KAIAPOI BOOT SWAP

Calling all good second hand footy boots.... clean, good, used boots can be dropped off to the school office during school hours, or the Kaiapoi Rugby Club on a Thursday night 5.45 - 6.15pm. Swap your outgrown boots for a bigger pair or donate unused boots for someone else to use.

LOST PROPERTY

Once again we have accumulated an enormous pile of lost property - unnamed school uniform and other items. Please check the blue bin outside the library for any belongings you are missing. Anything left at the end of term will be suitably



WELL DONE to the following children who have been to see Mr Miles or Mr O with their **quality work** in the past 2 weeks - Hunter Montgomery, Thomas Brocherie, Maddie may, Levi de Hamel, Ameira Hancy, Leo Hancox, Hazel Herriott, Lleyton Barrow, Bridie Herriott, Bella Lange, Mikayla Drummond, Henry McLean, Liam Klein, Joshua Donaldson, Raymond Xu, Jonathon Shaw, Maddie Ohlson, Lillian Lafulafu, Tyler Snadford, Mason Sutherland, Ashton Hoglund-Knutsford, Matilda Sleeman, Wini Merriman, Ellie Greengrass, Narita Turaga, Noah Hancox, Hamuera Huriwai, Lucas Burns, Jaxon Pickering, Celeste Laird, Olive Malcolm, Mya Graham, Ellie Frost, Emma Gray, Cora van Meer, Blake Prendergast, Calais Wilson, Katelyn Cresswell, Daniel Ecclestone, Bella King, Heath Laird, Sharleen Lafulafu, Paigan James, Zorawar Brar.

Upcoming School Events

Whole School Assembly & Jump Jam Competition. All welcome.
Friday 7 July (note change of time) 1.45pm.

Years 5 - 8 NC Winter Sports	Fridays in June (2nd - 30th)
Student Led Conferences	Tuesday 4th & Wednesday 5th July
Term 2 ends	Friday 7 July, 3.00pm.
Kaiapoi Art Expo (Raupo Art included)	15 & 16 July.
Term 3 begins	Monday 24 July

FOCUS on Akeake
Years 3 - 4



Last week Akeake children celebrated Matariki with their buddy classes. In the middle block on Friday we all came together and we created this display. Our senior buddies created the stars, letters and the heading. The children in Akeake created the hands reaching up towards the Matariki stars in celebration. We explored lots of different myths explaining Matariki and couldn’t believe how many different versions there were. We really enjoy spending time with our buddies!



We are proud of our KNS Values and Beliefs

- *Respect*
- *Responsibility*
- *Quality*
- *Community*
- *Arohanui*
- *Opportunity*

