

**PRINCIPALS MESSAGE**

**Kia ora**  
We are certainly ramping up with events, activities and celebrations! Thank you for all of your whanau support of all of these, without your willingness to be involved and support with parent help, transport help and as an audience they would not occur. **There will be a final newsletter sent home in the last week of term along with a letter with details about class placements for 2018 and property development news.** We have received positive feedback about our KNS App which can be downloaded for free. We are now over 520 downloads - can we get to 600 by the end of the year?!



On Monday evening we celebrated our **Performing Arts opportunities at KNS**. The variety and skill level of performances entertained the audience. We watched the dvd of our Jrock group performance from earlier in the year and enjoyed performances from our ukulele group, kids for kids choir, hip hop teams and school bands. Congratulations to our **Year 8 trophy winners Ezekiel Malcolm (instrumental), Nexii Thompson (vocal), and Sophia Joyce (leadership in Performing Arts)**. Thank you to our music teacher **Mrs Claire Osgood**, and performing arts lead teachers **Miss Ashley Butler and Miss Caitlin Turner** for the superb job in providing opportunities and organising these groups throughout 2017. Thank you also to the other staff who have led these groups and to parents for your support throughout the year.

Last week we celebrated our **Maori Cultural opportunities at KNS**. We gave out **certificates, badges and bars for all of our kapa haka children and Maori Cultural Akoranga programme** participants as well as awarding trophies to our Year 8 high performers. Congratulations to the **trophy winners Hikaru Takao, Ashton Walls, Aiyana Pitama and Tessa Moffat**. It was terrific to enjoy performances of our kapa haka groups in front of a large and appreciative audience. A big thank you to our kapa haka tutors **Matua Wiremu, Whaia Debbie** and to our **Maori Cultural lead teachers Mrs Steph Hunter and Miss Bridget McCall** for the tremendous job preparing and organising our children for both this event and all other performances throughout 2017. Thank you also to all of the other teachers and parents who have been involved in providing Maori Cultural opportunities at KNS throughout 2017.



**There is still a lot to look forward to in term 4**, here are some key dates for you diary!

Please keep checking our upcoming school events section of our newsletter and our school website [www.kaiapoinorth.school.nz](http://www.kaiapoinorth.school.nz) for information about term 4 events. Here are some coming up for your calendar at home:

- **Mufti Day for PTA** - Thursday 30th November - non - perishable grocery item for PTA Xmas raffle please - **TOMORROW!**
- **Athletic Sports** - Canterbury Athletics Wednesday 6th December.
- **Sports, outdoors and coding Celebration evening - 5:00pm** Thursday 7th December
- **KNS Raupo and Akeake Athletics** - Friday 8th December
- **Awards events** - Year 5-8 Citizenship/home learning badge assembly and sharing of Year 8 2018 school leaders - Thursday 7th December 2pm, **Year 8 Graduation and Social Tuesday 12th December 6pm start**
- **Raupo team picnic** - Monday 11th December
- **Parent helpers - staff shout morning tea** - 10:30am Thursday 14th December
- **Term 4 and 2017 school year ends** - Friday 15th December, **12:00pm - final assembly from 11:00am.**
- **Term 1, 2018 begins** - Monday 29th January

**The demolition is progressing very quickly!! A reminder that the path between our front block and carpark is now out of action** meaning pedestrians need to walk around the back of the school past the caretakers shed to get to the middle of the school. We encourage you to also use the path to Williams Street to the north of the junior adventure playground. The Moorcroft access off Allison Crescent will not be effected, nor will the Beach Grove access across our field.

Community support and assistance is so important in educating and growing positive learners – let us continue to work together to achieve this.

Kind regards, Jason Miles, Principal.

**WELL DONE** to the following children who have been to see Mr Miles or Mr O with their **quality work** :-  
Skylar Paulsen, Piper McAllister, Cameron Ecclestone, Hunter Montgomery, Zoe Watson, Aaliyah Simpson, Oliver Dickson, Dominic Toli, Brooklyn Hancy, Lexi-Rose Gilmore, Skyla Harris, Blaze Turi, Emma Lucas, Cora Van Meer, Khan Lali, Calais Wilson, Ezra Matakai, Lillian Lafulafu, Arliyah Fletcher, Maddie May, Eliya Auimatagi, Josh Donaldson, Daniel Campbell, Jacob Gray, Toby Friedauer, Grace Sleeman, Katelyn Cresswell, Adelyn Wilson, Jackson Wallis, Oliver Wirth, Euan Sewell, Olive Malcolm, Joey Jonsson, Lily Macgregor, Tyler Dryden, Haydee Fuimaono, Faith Emery.

**DEPUTY PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE**

**Kia Ora, greetings to you all**  
This week we celebrated our achievements across the **Performing Arts**. Just to be a part of the audience on Monday evening reminded me how proud we can be of our children and indeed of our school. The level our children performed at is a tribute to their dedication and commitment. It also represents the wonderful opportunities that our staff provide for these children. May we thank all the parents and caregivers who have encouraged and supported their children through this journey.

**Scooters, skateboards and bicycles.**  
This has shown a noticeable improvement. I thank all our parents who have supported us here as the safety and well-being of our whole school community is something we all strive for. If any of you see children scootering around, particularly after school when it is a very busy and congested time, feel welcome to encourage them to “do the right thing” by walking their scooters. If you have any concerns please report those to us.

Our **school's Breakfast programme** which runs from **Tuesday through Thursday**, from 8:20am through to 8:50am on each of these mornings, will continue through until the completion of our school year.

The **3 Peak challenge** is now completed with a very successful climb of **Mt Isobel** in Hanmer. The 30 degree day did not daunt our spirits as the soak at the hot pools provided an additional sense of motivation for all who attended. Once again we thank the huge number of parents and caregivers who supported us through these 3 climbs. The final celebration evening on Thursday next week will be an opportunity for us to recognise the achievements of all those children who participated.

At our **staff meeting** this week we had another wee celebration. There are many children at our school who have come a huge way in terms of their ability, and at times, their willingness, to feel “connected” to how we do things at Kaiapoi North School. Sometimes too, how they can self manage. To be able to share the numerous success stories within our staff is a very positive way to reflect on all the wonderful investment. And we did just that. As we all listened to the stories we were reminded of how we **do make difference for so many!**

Regardless of all this, always remember we welcome parent feedback, and with it, the opportunities work through concerns together. The partnership we have established together remains important to us all, and the way forward for our children.

**Ka Kite Ano, Jack Oldridge**

**MISSING SCOOTER**

MPG green handlebars, green deck, blue wheels, missing from the Room 8 block. The family would like it returned to where it was taken from, or please call 0211694263 if you have any information about it. Named C Todd underneath.

**PAPER NEWSLETTERS**

There will be one more paper newsletter on the last week of term, that will be distributed to the whole school. From 2018, we will only print a few, a copy of which can be picked up from the office if you do not have electronic access to our notices. All notices and newsletters are available to view on the KNS app or website.

**Upcoming School Events**

<b>Whole School Assembly 9.00am Fridays</b>	<b>All welcome</b>
Mufti Day for PTA (grocery item)	Thurs 30 November
Sports Celebration evening 5.00pm	Thurs 7 December

Awards Events -	
Year 5 - 8 Citizenship/home learning badge assembly & sharing of 2018 Leaders 2.00pm	Thurs 7 December
KNS Raupo & Akeake Sports 10.00am	Friday 8 December
Raupo Team picnic	Monday 11 December
Year 8 Graduation & Social 6.00pm	Tuesday 12 December
Term 4 ends, 12.00pm.	Friday 15 December
Term 1, 2018 begins 9.00am	Monday 29 January

**FOCUS on Hīnau Years 5 - 6**



Over the last two weeks, Hīnau students have been taking part in golf lessons. We have had great fun learning to do chip shots and drive shots. We are looking forward to our golf morning at the Kaiapoi Golf Club to put our new found skills into practice. Key skills that we have learned are to; tilt, pop, and drop. This means to get our grip right, tilt forward, pop your knees and drop your torso slightly.



**We are proud of our KNS Values and Beliefs**

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