Wednesday 2 May 2018 **Week 1, Term 2**

PRINCIPALS MESSAGE

Kia ora

It was wonderful to **welcome the children back to school on Monday,** the smiles and the stories about the holidays brought back the energy and everyone settled back quickly into concentrating on their learning! We have another busy term ahead, information about some of these are below however I encourage you to regularly visit our website www.kaiapoinorth.school.nz. and keep connected through email messages and School App alerts.

It is exciting to begin the term **without safety fences** around the school - with them removed the school looks absolutely wonderful with a large playing area at the centre of the school and a very smart **new welcome garden by the office!** This area is for children to use for outdoor reading by the library and parents to use when waiting for children if you are not meeting at the classroom. Please feel free to use this area, a couple of finishing touches in the weekend but it is good to go!

What a tremendous effort by our **KNS community on ANZAC DAY as we proudly marched as a school in the Kaiapoi Parade.** We had around 60 KNS children and lots of parents attending the service to match. This is always an important opportunity for our children to demonstrate respect and community as one. Well done to Mitchell Gilmore and Lachie Marshall for laying our wreath on behalf of KNS.

What a terrific day we had for our **whole school cross country races at the end of term 1**! We started the day with our Raupo Team races down at the domain followed by the Akeake, Hinau and Totara races across the domain and the Kaiapoi Rugby Club. Many parents and caregivers took the opportunity to watch and support our children throughout the day with lots of Raupo parents and caregivers joining in for a final lap of the course at the end! Thank you to Mr Johnson and Mr Henderson for organising this event. We now have a large team of Year 5-8 runners competing in the Kaiapoi School's Cross Country event in the coming weeks.

All the best to:

- our **Year 4, 5 and 6 KNS rugby teams and our Year 4-6 girls rugby team** who will all be playing 3 games against other schools this Friday at the Cantabrian's Rugby Fun Day
- our **Year 7/8 girls team** who are playing touch rugby and softball against Cust School on Monday
- our **Year 7/8 rugby league team** who are playing in the Canterbury tournament on Tuesday

Other coming events:

- **School photos tomorrow (Thursday) class and individual** - clean and correct uniform essential please!
- **Talanoa (meeting) for our Pasifika families** next Tuesday at 3:15pm in the meeting room by the library
- **School disco evening of next Friday 11th May** - look out for separate notice from the PTA

Let us continue to work together in strong partnership for the benefit of our tamariki.

Kia Kaha,

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 :-**

Charlotte Gallagher, Opa Manaia, Riley Wilkins, Mackenzie Matterson, Kadyn Blackler, Connor McNally, Elena Wilson, Brooke Michell, Joshua Hastie, Flynn Sole, Ashton Hoglund, Cameron Ecclestone, Jason Pickering, Sharleen Lafulafu, Matilda Sleeman, Ava Watson, Mica Watson, Trey Howlett, Jonathon Shaw, Heath Laird, Lorena Davis, Lily Macgregor, Samantha Soufflet, Liza Smit, Noah Brown.

Euan entered a competition at New World and has won Room 5, 6, & 7 a box of Apples every Monday for this term. Well done Euan!

REMINDER - Student profile update sheets are due back to the office by the end of this week. All sheets received by the due date will be eligible for a draw to win a $50 meal voucher! These sheets contain important personal information including emergency details, so that the school has up to date information to contact families. If you didn't receive a sheet, please contact Julie in the school office.

DEPUTY PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Kia Ora, greetings to you all

Always good to be back after what was a lovely warm holiday break, well maybe except for the last weekend, which reminds us again that winter is closer than some of us may like to think!!
I do hope you all had some wonderful family time and that you will be able to recall some memorable moments which you were able to share together.
Time travels very fast I can assure you, as it will soon be a time when your children "do their own thing" and are off your hands. Well maybe not entirely, as our children while independent to whatever degree they choose, still have this way of seeing home as a place to frequent, whenever they choose!!
Kaiapoi North School though never fails to amaze me. We have so many beautiful young children who delight us all each and every day. Whether it be by sharing their **quality work,** or with their warm greetings, or how they show care for each other, we do have children that make us proud.

Rugby League Squad

Presently I am working with a group of senior boys who have put their names forward for Rugby League. We have a Tournament Tuesday next week and our annual game against Kaiapoi Borough school to look forward to as well. While my rugby league knowledge is secondary to that of rugby union, I have 3 superb parents who are helping me prepare this group for their upcoming games. We practiced on Tuesday after school and will again this Friday. The group are simply very fine young men. Their attitude and sense of purpose at practice on Tuesday was exemplary, which made me very proud to be a part of.
My thanks go out to **Mr Bevan Fettes, Mr Dean Towart and Mr Laurence Toli** who are supporting this group with coaching at a very high level.
Once again we have a three way partnership within our school community, our students, our parents / caregivers and our staff.

Play, Eat, Learn

As result of both student and staff feedback, we will continue with our **play, eat and then learn.** It allowed students to feel more relaxed after their lunch time food break, so we will continue to trial this over our lunchtimes in Term 2.
Our school's Breakfast Club, continues to be successful from **Tuesday through Thursday.** We welcome any child or family to attend. Weetbix, toast and milk will be available to any student who chooses to participate.

ANZAC Parade

Many thanks to all the families and children who again represented our school on ANZAC Day. Unfortunately my health was not great which was a personal frustration, as this is a day I have always enjoyed being with our school's group, and being able to show the Kaiapoi public how connected we are as a school community.
And remember, that if there is anything that is of concern for you, we encourage the opportunity to work with you to seek a positive outcome for all.

Ka Kite Ano, Jack Oldridge

Upcoming School Events

Whole School Assembly 9.00am Friday mornings
All welcome.

Class & Individual photos	Thursday 3 May
Cantabrian's Rugby Fun Day	Friday 4 May
Yr 7/8 Girls Team against Cust	Monday 7 July
Yr 7/8 Rugby League Canterbury Tournament	Tuesday8 May
Talanoa (Pacifika meeting)	Tuesday 8 May
PTA School Disco	Friday 11 May

FOCUS ON Akeake Years 3 - 4

Towards the end of last term Paneke had lots of fun learning about the Commonwealth Games. We each chose a project to do and then shared these with our classmates. Flynn created a mascot that was a cheeky kea because he would make a great mascot for the Games if they were in NZ. Hazel did some research about Sophie Pascoe and discovered that she is an amazing person. Kaiporohu made a poster sharing what mascot he would create if the Games were in NZ.

Our new KNS Values & Beliefs

Connect **Create**
Reflect **Respect**
and Be Brave