

PRINCIPALS MESSAGE
Kia ora

Welcome to term 4 - always a busy term for learning and for challenge and fun. We look forward to sharing your child’s learning with you as well as enjoying celebration evenings, athletic sports and end of year events. Welcome to KNS to the new families who have joined us at the beginning of the term, our school roll is now 539. A warm welcome to the new entrants in Room 4 and families starting this week.

There is a lot to look forward to in term 4, next week there will be a separate notice detailing important information about term 4 celebration and awards events. For now below 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 for information about term 4 events. Here are some coming up for your calendar at home:

- **3 Peaks tramps** - Thursday 13th October, Thursday 27th October, Thursday 3rd November
- **Grandparents Day** - Friday 28th October 9am - 11:30am
- **Athletic Sports** - our KNS Year 5-8 Athletic Sports event is scheduled for Thursday 20th October. North Canterbury Zone Sports Tuesday 15th November. Canterbury Athletics Wednesday 7th December.
- **KNS Big Bounce - Sunday 6th November**
- **Wheki Camp to Woodend** - 7th and 8th November (Year 3’s 7th Nov only)
- **Mufti Day for PTA** - Thursday 10 November; non - perishable item for PTA Xmas raffle please
- **KNS Koru and Wheki Athletics** - Wednesday 30th November
- **Celebration evenings** - Maori Culture (Tues 22nd Nov), Performing Arts (Tues 29th Nov), Sports (Thurs 8th Dec)
- **Awards events** - Year 7 Awards assembly Tuesday 6th December 9am, Year 8 Graduation and Social Tuesday 13th December 6pm start
- **Term 4 and 2016 school year ends** - Thursday 15th December, **12:00pm**
- **Term 1, 2017 begins** - Tuesday 31st January

Parent morning tea for parents of new entrants term 4, 2016 and in 2017 - tomorrow, Thursday 13th October 9:30am in the staffroom. Please let any neighbours/friends know if you are aware they have a 4 year old that may be attending KNS in 2017. **Also if you know your child will not be at KNS in 2017 please let us know as soon as you can** as we have started our planning for 2017 and year level and class numbers are a crucial part of this initial planning.

One of the **staffing changes we will have in 2017 is that Mrs Steph Hunter (Wheki team leader in 2016) and Mrs Tania Reid (Kauri team leader in 2016) will be swapping teams as team leaders in 2017.** This is something both Steph and Tania have been looking to do for a few years now and 2017 is the right time to make that happen. Both Steph and Tania are effective leaders who have many skills and strengths to share at different levels of the school. As teachers are trained to teach anywhere from Year 0-8 this will be one change, however there will be around 5 or 6 other teachers changing levels in 2017. Other changes around where classes will physically start in 2017, changes of team names to reflect our local cultural narrative, and the make up of each team of teachers will be announced as the term progresses.

KNS Enrolment Scheme proposed amendment - please find a notice attached that explains our Enrolment Scheme proposed amendment. Your feedback and questions are welcomed. This information will also be appearing in a local paper, and given to local pre-schools and schools.

Congratulations to **Dylan Fern** who was part of the Canterbury team that won the inter-regional Cross Country shield for the first time in three years - Dylan placed 9th out of all the Year 6’s! Congratulations also to **Naoki Takao, Kasper Marson & Benjamin Gilmore** who were part of a North Canterbury football team who finished 2nd in the 9th Grade plate grade in the Three Kings United Tournament, coping with very difficult conditions and being great friends to each other. Well done to **Alex McDowell, Spencer Jarrett & Luca Marson** who also represented North Canterbury in a three day 11th Grade Tournament in Nelson. They placed 10th overall in the tournament, each scoring some amazing goals. Congratulations to **Kaleb Wyber-Moore** for being named in the South Island Team for the under 65kg rugby team.

HATS - a reminder that the wearing of a school hat is compulsory this term and during term 1 while the children are outside. Please ensure that by Monday all children have a school hat to wear when outdoors this term - sun hats are available for purchase at the school office for \$10. Please ensure all hats are adequately named.

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**



PTA BIG BOUNCE & CAR BOOT EVENT
To be held on Sunday 6th November, 11.00am - 3.00pm with \$5.00 entry for unlimited bouncing and sliding on the 5 castles and giant inflatable slide. Food, drinks & entertainment all available, and a car boot sale will be held at the same time. \$20.00 early bird booking fee for a car boot site. Email nicibenington@me.com or call 021888989 to book. Wet weather cancellation date is following Sunday 13th, same time.

RAINBOW REWARDS - The following children earned Rainbow Rewards last term & enjoyed Milo with Mr Miles;- McKenzie Young, Reece Cooke, Phoebe Wilson, Thomas McLean, Brooke Michell.

DEPUTY PRINCIPALS MESSAGE
Kia Ora, greetings to you all,

Welcome back to all our children and to you as parents or caregivers we see on a daily basis in our school, providing support for our children and staff in an ongoing way. Your presence is always appreciated as it makes our endeavours so much easier when we work together. I have the opportunity to meet and greet many of you at the school’s road patrol crossing each morning, which is special in itself. Regardless, remember our school is open to you all for whatever reason you choose to be here, and with that we always look forward to sharing your company.

Kickstart Breakfast programme.
This programme will begin from Week 3 this term. Each morning we will have the school hall open to any child/ren who wish to enjoy a plate of Weetbix and some milk. The hall will be open from 8:20am until 8:50am, each day of the week, to allow for children or even a family to enjoy together. I remind you that there is no cost for this as it is an initiative on behalf of the NZ government, Sanitarium and Fonterra.

If there are any other parents available to support this initiative, please let me know this term if possible.

3 Peak Challenge 2016
This has been extremely well supported. While we now have confirmed over 90 children, the parent / caregiver interest and support has also been most encouraging and, in short, reminds us a lot about our community and the very positive partnership we have established. The first climb is **this Thursday, meeting at school at 7:30am.** We climb up from Albert Terrace road and continue along the ridge to Sugarloaf, returning back to descend the Rapaki Track, a trek of around 4 to 5 hours. A good introduction for what is to come. With the weather predicted to be fine our group is excited at the prospect of a great day exploring our terrain along with some spectacular panoramic views to remind ourselves of what a beautiful country we live in. Can’t wait!

Together our hope is that we continue to work collectively in the interests and well-being of all. This is, I believe, how we can continue to maintain the positive relationships we have worked hard to establish over many years.

Ka Kite Ano, Jack Oldridge.

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 of term - Linkin Hurring, Chloe Green, Lilly Jonsson, Anthony Fawcett, Michael Toli, Dominic Fox, Emily Chapman, Rhys Tobin, Steven Cooke-Sullivan, Ethan Charlesworth, Nova Dowall, Seela Tufuga, Callum Sinclair, Oli Merriman, Quentin Terrell, Hazel Herriott, Zilara Large, Ezekiel Thompson, Eden Muir, Lleyton Barrow, Ruby Lange, Poppy Piper.

Upcoming School Events	
Whole School Assembly, all welcome.	Fridays 9.00am.
3 Peaks tramps, Thursdays	13 Oct, 27 Oct, 3 Nov.
Grandparents Day 9.00 - 11.30am	Friday 28 October
Yrs 5-8 Athletics sports	Thurs 20 October
KNS PTA Big Bounce event	Sunday 6 Nov
Wheki Camp to Woodend	7 & 8 November
PTA Mufti Day	Thurs 10 November
Koru & Wheki Athletics	Wed 30 November
Celebration Evenings -	
Maori Culture	Tues 22 November
Performing Arts	Tues 29 November
Sports	Thurs 8 December
Awards Events -	
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Year 8 Graduation & Social, 6.00pm	Tues 13 December
Term 4 ends 12.00pm	Thurs 15 December
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New Team Names for 2017
As part of the rebuild process we are going to be changing our Syndicate names of Koru, Wheki, Nikau and Kauri to names of plants and trees that can be sourced locally. Students and staff have the opportunity to vote here at school and we would also like our parent community to have your say too. Please look at the names below and email Mrs Reid tania.r@kaiapoinorth.school.nz if you would like to support any of these new names.

Koru - New Names
Raupō
Tall summer bush which has a large flowering spike which looks like brown velvet. Often used for Mōkihi waka. Plentiful in Kaiapoi area i.e. Waikuku beach.

Tūrutu
New Zealand Blueberry. Small flax like bush that has blueberry like berries.

Wheki - New Names
Koromiko
Small shrub with white flowers. Wood used for making fire.

Akeake
Small tree with reddish leaves. Akeake wood is very hard and can be used for making tools and patu.

Nikau - New Names
Tarata
Commonly known as Lemonwood. Leaves can be used as tea or fragrances.

Hīnau
Tall forest tree with long leaves. Produces edible berries. Attracts native birds such as Bellbirds. You can bake Hīnau bread from the kernels and the bark is used for dye in piupiu.

Kauri - New Names
Matai
Long lived native tree, good for carving.

Tōtara
Large forest tree found locally. Good for carving. Plentiful in this area. Very strong wood used for Kōpapa and waka.

We are proud of our KNS Values and Beliefs

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

