

PRINCIPALS MESSAGE
Kia ora

At our assembly last week I said **how proud I am to be the principal of Te Kura o Ruataniwha Kaiapoi North School**. I often say this in assembly because there is so much to be proud of. The two examples I gave this time were:

- Steve from Heritage Photos came to photograph our children and classes recently and he made a special point of talking to me about the **respect and manners** that were shown to him.
- the wonderful effort from our **Year 4, 5 and 6 KNS rugby teams** who played 3 games each against other schools at the Cantabrian's Rugby Fun Day! Our teams had a lot of success but the theme of the day was at the heart of their experience which was get involved and enjoy an opportunity to play rugby together. Thank you to Mr Henderson and Mr Johnson for leading this opportunity. I particularly enjoyed seeing our all girls team grow and develop over the course of the day which resulted in them learning new skills and winning all 3 of their games and being noticed by the Canterbury Women's Rugby team members attending on the day!

Thank you to the 48 parents who have completed the **KNS Whanau Survey sent to your email address**. The Board of Trustees and staff appreciate your feedback on important aspects like our Strategic Goals, Values and Beliefs, range of opportunities, uniform and many other areas.

For those still to complete it or those of you who did not receive it the link below will take you to an online survey that we would greatly appreciate your responses to. There are questions about the overall vision and values of our school and also about some general practices and opportunities. Each survey completed will go into a draw for a Kaiapoi dining voucher. There are 2 short clips to view within the survey - we anticipate the survey taking around 20 minutes to complete. Please complete it by Friday 19th May. Please click on the link: <https://goo.gl/forms/XhYx01iKs6kYjPJg2> There is a paper option if needed at the office, however one of the things we are working towards by the end of the year is being relatively paperless!

During term 2 we are going to trial having whole school assembly one Friday and then Team assemblies the alternate week. With our learning programmes filling up timetables, teams have been finding it difficult to find time to meet so we are giving this a trial (a good term to do it with the building work in progress!) So there will be **no whole school assembly this Friday. They will run each fortnight after that.**

All the best to:

- **Year 5-8 KNS cross country team** of 68 runners who are competing in the Kaiapoi School's Cross Country event at KBS on Monday 22nd May!
- **Year 7/8 basketball teams** who are competing in the Canterbury tournament on Tuesday 23rd May
- **J Rock performers** competing at Horncastle Arena on Friday 19th May.

Love this photo opposite of our young learners having fun making moon sand together!
Let us continue to work together in strong partnership for the benefit of our tamariki.

Kind regards, **Jason Miles, Principal**



DEPUTY PRINCIPALS MESSAGE
Kia Ora, Greetings to you all

Already Week 3, and yet it almost feels we have just returned from our Term break. While the days may get cooler, the mornings in particular, our children have the ability to add the warmth we all need with their positivity and willingness to be the best they can. The concept of having a **“growth mindset”** is something many of our children have embraced. The idea that we can all find ways to improve where we are at, to accept that mistakes will be made, and that there are also times we can search for ways to better ourselves. This thinking aligns itself with our school's Mission Statement of **Striving for Personal Excellence**. Mediocracy, for many of our children, is something which is easily achievable, yet something which suggests we can do better. To reflect on a positive note, many of our children have the necessary work ethic which ensures **personal excellence**, along with **personal growth**, which can be achieved across our school.

Lockdown practices and emergency procedures.

As part of our school's ongoing readiness in the event of a **“lockdown”**, we have regular practices to ensure all children and staff are aware of our procedures. Last week we had a **lockdown practice**, unknown to all staff, which provided an opportunity for us to reflect and review this practice across our school. While we would like to think we are unlikely to require an **actual lockdown**, it is important for us to be prepared. Our unannounced practice went well. In terms of our school's ability to respond to our signal, we are becoming collectively adept within our school wide practice. The review process which always follows a practice, also provided us with some important feedback, allowing our school to further tweak our procedures. If, as a parent, caregiver or visitor to our school during a **lockdown practice**, or in the unlikely event of a real situation, we ask you to take direction from any staff member, and be prepared to provide support where required. If any parent or caregiver would like to inquire a little more regarding our school's procedures, please feel welcome to seek clarity from either the school's Office, Mr Miles or Mr O. 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

LUNCH ONLINE

Lunch Online is an easy ordering system for purchasing lunches for your children at school on a Wednesday. Visit www.lunchonline.co.nz, register an account, make payment and order. Choices available include sushi and a selection of savouries, sandwiches, etc from Kaiapoi Night'n'Day dairy. Lunches are delivered to the school in time for lunch each Wednesday.

FREE FLU VACCINES

Free flu vaccines are available this year to children up to the age of 17, who are enrolled at any of the local medical practices in Kaiapoi. Call your family medical centre for more information.

WOLF PACK FITNESS

All ages and fitness levels very welcome; cross fit, yoga and boxing fitness. Work at your own pace. Classes are held at Kaiapoi North School on Thursdays at 6.00pm (under lights & under cover) also Sundays at 9.30am at Hinemoa Park Kaiapoi (beside the Bowling Club). Cost \$10.00 for one workout per week, \$15.00 for two or \$17.50 for three per week. Contact Tony on 0279161175 for more information.

SENIOR JACKETS

Jackets for the senior students with the updated school logo are now back in stock at Kaiapoi Monograms, Hilton Street. These are priced at \$50.00. No size 14 available until August. **School Beanies** are available at the school office at a cost of \$10.00 each. These are the only beanies which may be worn at school.

MID-WINTER WOMEN'S WELLNESS EVENING

At Kaiapoi North school hall, Thursday 22 June at 7.00pm. By women - for women. Come along for an evening of fun, female energy, meditation, yoga and more. All ages and abilities welcome. Light refreshments included. Lucky door prize of a 'Luxury Hamper'. Tickets \$25.00 available at the school office, or phone 327 8803. All proceeds go to 'Days for Girls North Canterbury'.

INTRODUCTION TO IRISH DANCE

For ages 4 - 12 boys and girls, Beginners Introduction class is free for the first lesson. Learn the fundamentals of Irish dance, develop co-ordination and listening skills, and differentiating between left and right. Held at 395 Marshlands Road on Saturday 9.30 - 10.30am; or Ohoka Hall Monday 3.30 - 4.30pm. Contact Ann on 0276636934 for more information.

WELL DONE to the following children who have been to see Mr Miles or Mr O with their **quality work** this week - Dylan Fern, Lilly Jonsson, Cooper Sutherland, Lucas Cattermole, Daniel Ecclestone, Bella King, Jake Berry, Kieran Amyes, Katelyn Cresswell, Laffranchi Tongia, Heath Laird, Skylar Paulsen, Bella de Hamel, Jack Mustor, Olivia Pepperell, Bryden Pearce, Lillian Lafulafu.

Upcoming School Events

Whole School Assembly, all welcome.	Alternate Fridays
Weeks 4, 6, 8 10.	9.00am.
Life Education van @ KNS	15 - 26 May
J Rock performance at Horncastle Arena	Friday 19 May
Kaiapoi Schools Cross Country	Monday 22 May
Young Leaders Day	Tuesday 30 May

**FOCUS on Hīnau
Years 5 - 6**



In Hīnau this week we have had the chance to visit Harold from Life Education. Suzanne, Harold's friend has been working with us on celebrating uniqueness, building a good reputation and working with and understanding our emotions. We also talked about internet safety and how sharing things on the internet can give reputations to a huge audience. Harold is going to be with us until the end of next week in his big van. Thank you to Suzanne who made our experience with Harold engaging, informative and fun!



We are proud of our KNS Values and Beliefs

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