

PRINCIPALS MESSAGE

Kia ora

We are nearing the end of term 1 with the last day being Thursday 13th April. As highlighted in a separate notice **ANZAC Day is on the Tuesday of the second week of the holidays**. We are looking forward to having you and your children join us for the Kaiapoi ANZAC parade (meeting at Kaiapoi Tennis Club at 9:30am) to continue our tradition of a large KNS turnout!

As you know we are always trying to improve our methods of communication with parents and caregivers. We are increasingly using email as a form of communication and are currently investigating a school app based communication system. The most important 2 pieces of information is having a phone number and an email address that you check regularly please. Thank you to the families who returned this form by Friday 31st March you all went into the draw for a \$50 MTA voucher - congratulations to the Todd family whose name was drawn out of the hat! If you haven't returned the form please do so or call the office and let us know your contact detail updates over the phone.

Look out for the **KNS Whanau Survey coming to your email address in early term 2**. The Board of Trustees and staff are wanting your feedback on important aspects like our Strategic Goals, Values and Beliefs, range of opportunities, uniform and many other areas. There will be a paper option if needed, however one of the things we are working towards by the end of the year is being relatively paperless!

Congratulations to our **Year 7/8 KNS cricket team which won our final game of the term against Woodend**. KNS batted first and scored 130 runs from 20 overs with strong performances by Mitchell Gilmore (26 retired), Zac Hoglund (18 retired). KNS then bowled Woodend out for 72 with Ashton Walls taking 3 wickets and Paddy Anderson and Bryn Graham 2 wickets each.



All the best to all of our children for the **KNS Cross Country event on Tuesday 11th April**. All of our races will be held in the Kaiapoi Domain. Years 1/2: (Raupō) Races starting around 9:30am (A separate notice will be issued for this). Years 3/4: (Akeake) races starting at approximately 11.30am and should be completed by 12.45pm. Years 5/6: (Hināu) races starting at approximately 2:00pm and should be completed by 3:00pm. Years 7/8 : (Tōtara) races starting at approximately 1:00pm and should be completed by 2:00pm. Spectators most welcome - children to wear House t-shirts for the day, comfortable shoes and bring a water bottle please.

There will be **no school assembly** this week. We will be farewelling Mrs Reid in our final assembly of the term next week which will begin at **2pm sharp on Thursday 13th April. This will also be the assembly where end of term certificates are presented** - please note this change of time from 9am to 2pm for this assembly. We have appointed Miss Alana Cosgrove as the new teacher for Room 7 from the beginning of term 2. Mrs Felicity Fahey (Room 13) and Mrs Karen Wright (Room 11) will jointly take over the leadership of the Akeake team for term 2-4.

Our property developments are coming on strong! There will be a **Property Update notice coming home next week** to inform you of the progress and areas of the school to take care in over the holidays as work continues.

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

As this will be the last newsletter for the term, may I say a big thank you to you all. Whether it be the morning greetings, the times when we need to talk through situations within our school day, or simply just having a chat, I appreciate the time we share. In the last newsletter I did mention how we endeavour to maintain our school's Values and Beliefs, and how important these are to us. Nothing can ever be taken for granted these days, and while we have children who may have struggles within any given school day, it will always be our endeavour to support our children wherever possible. We are always mindful that young people can become increasingly burdened with situations that are beyond their control, and it is in these times that this school will always have empathy and understanding while searching for interventions that can provide positive outcomes for all. While this does not mean, however, that we will always be successful with every support package we provide, it will always be our intent to do the best we can. The fact that we can communicate openly with each other is an incredibly important factor to enable us to provide the support we can, whether it be within the curriculum or more to do with specific events across our day. For this we are most grateful.

This week I will also put out a notice to all parents and caregivers regarding the ANZAC day parade in Kaiapoi. Our school has always had a very full representation of school children and families. This makes us very proud as to assemble as a school group, with our children in school uniform, we display our sense of extended **community** for all to see. As parents and caregivers please feel encouraged to walk with us which again sends a strong message to our wider community about the connections and positive partnership our school has developed. Even though I will see many of you over next week, may I extend my best wishes for a safe and enjoyable holiday as a family to you all. And always remember we welcome parent feedback, and with it, the opportunities to work through concerns together. The partnership we have established together is important to us all.

Ka Kite Ano, Jack Oldridge

SCHOOL FEES ACCOUNTS

School fees accounts are **due for payment** before the end of this term, especially outstanding camp fees; or have an automatic payment operating. We welcome payment by internet banking, please ask the office if you need the bank account number. Please contact Julie in the school office if you have any problems.

SENIOR JACKETS

Jackets for the senior students with the updated school log are now back in stock at Kaiapoi Monograms, Hilton Street. These are priced at \$50.00. No size 14 available until August.

KAIAPOI CRICKET CLUB

Kaiapoi North students featured strongly in the Section 2 prize giving recently - congratulations to Most Improved Player Seth McKay; Batsman of the Year Zac Hoglund; & Bowler of the Year Blake McCurrie.

KAIAPOI NON-COMPETITION RUGBY

Kaiapoi Rugby Club still has places available for players in the U10 and U6 teams. Games are played on Saturdays in North Canterbury. To register go to www.sporty.co.nz/krfc/Online-Registrations. Once registered a coach will contact you.

SKIDS HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

Copies of the schedule for the SKIDS holiday programme in the upcoming school holidays were sent home last week. If you missed out the school office has spare copies available. Activities include Wheels Day, PJ Day, a Mystery Day Trip, Movies & Swim Day, and more! For more information call Liz on 021 2477434, or email kaiapoinorth@skids.co.nz.

ECO EDUCATE NEWS

Free workshop 'Make your own Reusable Bags' being held on Tuesday 18 April, 1.00 - 3.00pm at the Rangiora Baptist Church, East Belt, Rangiora. Please contact Lesley Ottey 0273331344

TUHAITARA COASTAL PARK ANZAC DAY PLANTING

'Trees that Count' Anzac Day planting is being held again this year; 1000 Totara and 1000 mixed native tree species to be planted at Woodend Beach, 1.30am - 1.00pm followed by some kai. Bring a hat, a spade, a friend or some family. Water bottles, biscuits and a bbq afterwards will be supplied. RSVP to Greg Byrnes tkot@farmside.co.nz.

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 - Asha Tointon, Gypsy Keith, Dominic Fox, Dylan Sheriff, Lilley-Rose Champion, Cara Sewell, Tyler Sandford, Paigan James, Ashley Harkess, Lois Duncan, Beth Dunbar, Libby Meyrick, Jack Wilson, Cooper Miller, Angam Vraich, Oliver Wirth, Connor Hayes, Cora van Meer, Rachel Jones, Sam Plunkett, Mason Sutherland, Raymond Xu, Arliyah Fletcher, Mikayla Drummond, Khan Lali, Ashton Hoglund-Knutsford, Zorawar Brar, Bella King.

Upcoming School Events

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| Whole School Assembly, all welcome. | Fridays 9.00am. |
| Please note - no Assembly Friday 7 April. | |
| KNS Cross Country Day | Tuesday 11 April |
| End of term assembly & farewell to Mrs Reid, 2.00pm start | Thurs 13 April |
| Term 1 ends | Thurs 13 April |
| ANZAC Day Parade | Tues 25 April |
| Term 2 begins | Mon 1st May |

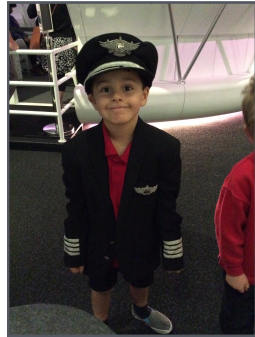
FOCUS on Raupō Years 1 - 2



Raupo Team's visit to the Museum

Last week the Raupo team visited the Canterbury Museum to take part in the "Minibeasts Galore" programme. We explored cases containing many different insects, discussed the parts of an insect's body and found out more about the incredible spider!

The Museum Educator was able to answer our questions and wonderings. During our time at the Museum we were also able view the Air NZ display. Check out Captain Dylan!



Thank you to the parent helpers who came along with us. We hope you enjoyed the visit too.

Just a reminder that next Tuesday Raupo team is heading to the Kaiapoi Domain at 9.30 a.m. for our Cross Country run! All support will be appreciated.



We are proud of our KNS Values and Beliefs

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