

PRINCIPALS MESSAGE

Kia ora

We are nearing the end of a busy but enjoyable term at Kaiapoi North. The children have worked hard in the classroom and had many opportunities to participate in. Thank you to our teachers and support staff for the superb job you do supporting the learning and well-being of our children. Thank you to parents and caregivers for your support with the children's learning and with activities and opportunities. Our term 4 dates are Monday 16th October - 12pm, Friday 15th December.

We were very excited to move into the second of our new blocks last week - named **Kōpapa**. Our Akeake team (Room 7-9, Room 10-12) have settled into their new space very quickly and are making the most of all the areas already. **There are now a number of fences around our front blocks and middle block as they are being prepared for demolition.** We will put out a Property Update notice next week to let you know of what will be happening in these areas during the holidays. Our apologies that these fences are making access a challenge - thank you for your flexibility!

Congratulations to our Hip hop teams who competed in the Canterbury School's competition recently. Our Year 5 and 6 team finished 2nd in their grade and our Year 7 and 8 teams finished 1st!! This is an outstanding achievement and a testament to the hard work and practices they have been doing with their coach Michelle Emery. Well done teams and thank you to Michelle, Miss Ludemann and Mrs McCarthy for your leadership and support of these teams.



Well done to our **Year 8's who made the most of their ski trip to Mt Hutt last Thursday.** There was a lot of persistence and support for each other throughout the day with many of our students making fast progress throughout the day and ending up speeding down steeper slopes by the end of the day. Thank you to Mr Chilton, Miss McCall and Miss Ludemann and parents for providing this opportunity for our Year 8's!



Congratulations to our 6 students who competed in the Canterbury Chess Competition yesterday. Our 6 KNS students tried their best against each opponent and all had wins throughout the day. Well done to **Dylan Quigley, Braden Sole, Blake McCurrie, Abi McCurrie, Loucee Coutts, and Kaden Lawson.** A special congratulations to Dylan Quigley who finished 3rd in his Year 8 grade!



KNS ART EXPO - Monday 25th September 3:00pm-7:00pm, Tuesday 8:30am-7:00pm, Wednesday 8:30am-9:00am. This will be held in our hall, on Monday evening from 5:00pm-7:00pm there will be drinks and nibbles, and entertainment while you view!

So far 359 people have downloaded our FREE Kaiapoi North School App to smartphones for alerts, notices, calendar, absence notifications and more! If you haven't done so please do so - we would love to see 500 downloads in the near future as we transition from paper to online information sharing!

All the best to the following groups for their upcoming events:

- our KNS choir performing in the Kids for Kids concert at Horncastle Arena tonight.
- our Raupo, Akeake and Senior Kapa Haka groups performing in the North Canterbury Cultural Festival at Ohoka School hall next week.

Please note that our whole school assembly will now be every week again starting at 9:05am this Friday.

A reminder to get out and vote at the NZ Election this Saturday. Our school hall is a polling booth and will be open for voting from 9am-7pm.

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.

HELPING THE WORLD COMMUNITY!

The Gardening Club have been lucky enough to be gifted a beehive from New World Kaiapoi complete with bees, specifically designed for school gardens. The bees are Leafcutter bees which are gentle, pollinating specialists. They don't make honey and therefore don't aggressively defend their hives. They may sting when directly squashed but there has been no known cases of anaphylaxis in NZ as a result of a sting from this type of bee. We are really excited about supporting increased pollination to secure the world wide food supply! Thanks also to Mr Ron for his help. Thanks Suzanne and New World!



CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Olivia Bell-Fearn who, as captain of her netball team for the season, was presented with the Under 12 Sportsmanship trophy for the Belfast Netball Club.

BRICKS!!

As you are aware, two of our school buildings are being demolished in a couple of weeks. If you would like a brick as a souvenir, or a few bricks for something else, please let us know as soon as possible and we will keep them for you.

RUBBISH IN THE SCHOOL GROUNDS

We have a number of helpful and enthusiastic children who choose to pick up rubbish from around the playgrounds during breaks. We have noticed that the majority of rubbish they pick up is chip packets, muesli bar wrappers, gladwrap and other food related items. **Please remind your children that all rubbish needs to go back into their lunch boxes to be taken home, or better yet, reduce the amount of wrappers you use by buying in bulk and decanting things like chips, into reusable containers.** Paying to dump rubbish is a huge cost to the school and is money we would rather spend on resources for the children.

WELL DONE to the following children who have been to see Mr Miles or Mr O with their **quality work** :-

Adelyn Wilson, Stella Barrow, Mason Sutherland, Euan Sewell, Mikayla Drummond, Arliyah Fletcher, Lily Macgregor, Filipe Ngahetau, Ashlee Harkess, Breanna Campbell, Daniel Ecclestone, Skylar Paulsen, Braxton Beaumont, Asha Tointon, Ameira Hancy, Oliver Wirth, Oli Merriman, Cooper Sutherland, Laffranchi Tongia, Ashton Hognlund-Knutsford, Cooper Holland, Callum Sinclair, Toby Friedauer, Jackson Wallis, Tyler Sandford, Khan Lali, Lyshia Jones, Scarlett Little, Ezra Mataki, Joshua Hastie, Lilly Jonsson, Jaxon Harland, Olivia Pepperell, Sam Plunkett, Sam Dunbar, Leo Hancox, Kiana Hackett, Paige White, Maddison Ohlson, Lillian Lafulafu, Cameron Ecclestone, Indy Hammond, Emma Lucas, Joshua Hooper, Zana Dickson, Reggie Montgomery, Celeste Laird, Eliya Auimatagi, Maddy May.

Upcoming School Events

<i>Whole School Assembly 9.00am Fridays</i>	<i>All welcome</i>
Kids for Kids event for Choir	Wed 20 September
KNS Art Expo	25 - 27 September
NC Cultural Festival	27 - 28 September
Term 3 ends	Friday 29 September

FOCUS on Hīnau Years 5 - 6



Matariki Dome

During Maori Language Week Hīnau students visited the Matariki Dome. This is a large inflatable dome that was set up in the hall. When we were in there we learnt about the Maori myth of the Seven Sisters, this is a myth about how the stars became part of our night sky. We also learnt about some of the constellations that are in our night sky like the Milky Way, Orion and the Scorpion Tail. This was a great learning experience.



We are proud of our KNS Values and Beliefs

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