

PRINCIPALS MESSAGE

Kia ora

We are right into full swing of term 4 now and there are many events for us all to enjoy! This Friday we have our annual Grandparents Day which is a day we all look forward to. Grandparents (or honorary grandparents) are invited to spend time in the classrooms between 9am and 10am, joining in with activities and sharing in what the children do at school these days. At 10am we will have a special assembly where teams will share items. Following assembly grandparents are invited to stay in the hall for a cuppa and a scone to round off their visit.

Our Year 5-8 Athletic Sports was an enjoyable event for all last week. Our children tried hard at each event and it was wonderful to see many children cheering on and congratulating their peers. We have had some outstanding results so our team for the upcoming Zone Athletic Sports next week will be made up of over 70 students! Thank you to Mr Johnson and Mr Henderson for organising this event, to Mr O for leading it in my absence, and to the parents and caregivers for supporting the children throughout the day.

Our Education Review Office (ERO) report will be online very soon at <http://www.ero.govt.nz/> We will also post it on our website and alert you via our School App. We can be proud of a very positive ERO report, this is a testament to our hard-working and dedicated staff and Board of Trustees, and wonderful supporting community! Comments include:

- Children learn in a positive and supportive environment where their successes are celebrated. Strong pastoral support is provided to enable children to be ready to learn.
 - Children with additional needs are well supported and included. Teachers know the children very well as individuals and as learners. Children who need extra help to succeed are quickly identified, given well-considered support and their progress is carefully monitored.
 - Children benefit from a wide range of learning opportunities and experiences. The school ensures all children can participate in school activities. A comprehensive and future-focused review of the school's values, vision and curriculum guidelines is almost complete.
- We also worked with the ERO reviewers to look at the areas we are continuing to strengthen, such as our disparity in Maori and Pasifika achievement data when compared with other ethnicities, and our boy's writing achievement data. ERO expect to visit our school again in 3 years time.

- There is a lot to look forward to in term 4, here 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:
- **Grandparents Day** - Friday 3rd November 9am - 11:30am
 - **3 Peaks tramps** - Thursday 2nd November, Thursday 16th November, Thursday 23rd November
 - **KNS PTA Big Bounce - Sunday 5th November - 10am-2pm.**
 - **Athletic Sports** - North Canterbury Zone Sports Thursday 9th November. Canterbury Athletics Wednesday 6th December.
 - **Wheki Camp to Woodend** - 13th and 14th November (Year 3's 13th Nov only)
 - **Mufti Day for PTA** - Thursday 30th November - non - perishable grocery item for PTA Xmas raffle please
 - **KNS Koru and Wheki Athletics** - Wednesday 30th November
 - **Celebration evenings** - Maori Culture (Tues 21st Nov), Performing Arts (Mon 27th Nov), Sports (Thurs 7th Dec)
 - **Awards events** - Year 5-8 Citizenship/home learning badge assembly and sharing of Year 8 2018 school leaders - Thursday 7th December 2pm, Year 8 Graduation and Social Tuesday 12th December 6pm start
 - **Raupo team picnic** - Monday 11th December
 - **Term 4 and 2017 school year ends** - Friday 15th December, 12:00pm - final assembly from 11:00am.
 - **Term 1, 2018 begins** - Monday 29th January

A reminder that the path between our front block and carpark will be out of action sometime soon meaning pedestrians will need to walk around the back of the school past the caretakers shed to get to the middle of the school. We encourage you to also use the path to Williams Street to the north of the junior adventure playground. The Moorcroft access off Allison Crescent will not be effected, nor will the Beach Grove access across our field.

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.

WELL DONE to the following children who have been to see Mr Miles or Mr O with their **quality work** :- Layla Cooke-Sullivan, Koupa Cunninghame, Jack Reynolds, Braxton Beaumont, Olivia Pepperell, Oliver Wirth, Bella Mavor, Grace Sleeman, Stella Barrow, Lexi Gilmore, Liam Klein, Paige White, Toby Friedauer, Faith Emery, Haydee Fuimaono, Skyla Harris, Bella King, Celeste Laird, Olive Malcolm, Kieran Amyes, Jonathan Shaw, Josh Turaga, Dominic Fox, Calais Wilson, Briley Herriott, Scarlett Little.

CODE CLUB FUNDRAISING QUIZ

Date: Monday 13th November Venue: CBK Kaiapoi Time: seated by 6.30pm, quiz starts at 7.00pm. Cost: \$10.00 per person, maximum 6 people per team. Payment to the school office or on the night. There will be a number of prizes up for grabs on the night; along with raffles and the opportunity to purchase correct answers so take your loose change. If you would like to enter a team please contact Nathan Chilton, let him know your team name and how many in your team. Funds raised will go towards robotics gear and the next FLL Challenge in Auckland in December. Thank you for your support.



DEPUTY PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Kia Ora, greetings to you all

We are a good place to be. We have so many children who regardless of how we may perceive where they are at, at times, really do demonstrate what fine young people they are on special occasions. Here, I am referring to last weeks **Athletic Sports day**. While there will always be times we need to intervene in terms of some inappropriate behaviours, the way 99% of Years 5 - 8 children conducted themselves during the Athletic sports day, was something to celebrate. What I am referring to specifically was the sportsmanship of our athletes. Regardless of whether our children were competing against each other, and endeavouring to be considered for nomination for the Zone sports day, the encouragement that our students shared for each other was a pleasure to observe. Whether it was the high jump, or the sprints in particular, each athlete, while competing for themselves, did not lose sight of their appreciation of others. To accompany this, the participation across all the events I witnessed, saw all athletes trying so hard to do their very best. I did not see our students giving up because they were not of the standard of others, and for me this echoed our school's mission statement of "**striving for personal excellence**". So much to celebrate. On this note may I say a big thank you to Mr Henderson and Mr Johnson who organised such a successful annual event on our school's calendar. In terms of our **school's Breakfast programme** which runs from 8:20am through to 8:50am each morning **Tuesday through Thursday**, we welcome any child or family to attend. I would like to thank Mrs Sara Green for her willingness to support this programme whose feedback tells us this is being well received by all.

The **3 Peak Challenge** begins this week with our first climb of Mt Grey. This is a moderate climb which, with close to 130 children and 30 adults, will take around 5 hours. This climb will also determine whether we are all up to the more demanding climbs of Mt Richardson and Mt Isobel. We do look forward to sharing this experience with our children, being able to celebrate every success along the way.

Regardless of all this, always remember we welcome parent feedback, and with it, the opportunities to work through concerns together. The partnership we have established together remains important to us all, and the way forward for our children.

Ka Kite Ano, Jack Oldridge

HANGI ORDERS are due to the school office by Tuesday 14 November. The meal will be served approximately 6.30pm following the Cultural Celebration Evening on Tuesday 21st November. This opportunity is open to anyone who would like to experience a Hangi meal. Cost \$8.00 per meal.

Upcoming School Events

Whole School Assembly 9.00am Fridays	All welcome
NC Zone Sports	Thursday 9 November
Canterbury Athletics	Wed 6 December
3 Peaks Tramps	Thursday 2 November
	Thurs 16 November
	Thurs 23 November
	Friday 3 November
	Sunday 5 November
	13 & 14 November
	Thurs 30 November
Grandparents Day	
KNS PTA Big Bounce & Boot Sale	
Akeake Camp to Woodend	
Mufti Day for PTA (grocery item)	
Celebration evenings -	
Maori Culture	Tuesday 21 November
Performing Arts	Monday 27 November
Sports	Thurs 7 December
Awards Events -	
Year 5 - 8 Citizenship/home learning badge assembly & sharing of 2018 Leaders	2.00pm Thurs 7 December
KNS Raupo & Akeake Sports	Friday 8 December
Year 8 Graduation & Social 6.00pm	Tuesday 12 December
Raupo Team picnic	Monday 11 December
Term 4 ends	Friday 15 December
Term 1, 2018 begins	Monday 29 January

FOCUS on Raupo Years 0 - 2



Raupo

Raupo Team swimmers!

This term it's Raupo Team's turn for swimming lessons at the Kaiapoi Aquatic Centre. We are enjoying practising and learning new skills with the instructors. Many children are making good progress already.

Thank you to our parent helpers who support our children with dressing.



Later in November classes are looking forward to our Beach Education lesson when we will learn about water and sun safety. We're hoping for a good number of parent helpers with this too.



We are proud of our KNS Values and Beliefs

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