



Newsletter

Monday 14 December 2020

Coming Up

Thurs 4 Feb First day of school for 2021

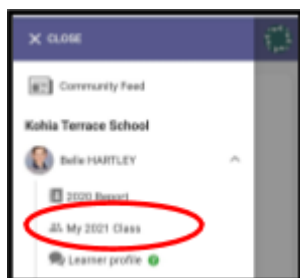
Quick look:

- Class Placements
- Prize and awards recognition
- Staffing 2021
- Showing manaakitanga - thank you Alex

We had a very special day on Friday as we recognised the achievements of all our students and recognised four new students in each class with a cornerstone badge. We also awarded special prizes to students in Year 3, Year 6 and Year 8 (please see below for details). Also announced were our new student leaders for 2021. Congratulations go to Ruby and Canaan who are our head students, and Boidehi and Dillon who become our new deputy head students.



Our final school assembly for 2021 will start at 12.30pm with farewells to Fe Tomich and Sally Thurman as well as our departing students. The ringing out parade will start at 1.15pm. School closes for the year at 1.30pm.



Class Placements

You will be able to see which class your child is in via HERO - please go to your child's profile on the left hand side when you log in.

We are delighted to confirm our teaching team for 2021 is as follows:

Room 1	Year 1	Kerry Hales (Koru Team Leader)
Room 2	Year 1	Alice Ash
Room 3	Year 0	Lisa Petersen (Term 3 & 4)
Room 4	Year 1/2	Tara Jones
Room 5	Year 2	Nygel Knighton
Room 6	Year 3	Toni O'Connor (in the hall at the start of year)
Room 7	Year 3	Anna Hartley (in the hall at the start of year)
Room 8	Year 6	Joe Harper

Room 9	Year 6	Sheryl McEwen
Room 10	Year 4	Ben Nisbett
Room 11	Year 4	Gaylene Hewlett (Mon - Thurs), Amy Turner (Fri)
Room 12	Year 5	Anusha Chebbi
Room 13	Year 5	Jo Bateman
Room 14	Year 7/8	Laura Clack
Room 15	Year 7/8	Charlotte Winstone-Houghton (Term 1) Kelly Daji (Terms 2 - 4)
Room 16	Year 7/8	Nicola Zimmerman (Acting Pohutukawa Team Leader)
Alison Spence (Principal) Catherine Palmer (Deputy Principal) Erynn Riesterer (Inclusive Practice Leader) Rachel Ogilvy (Sport Leadership, Music, Curriculum Integration, Harakeke Team Leader)		
<u>Part time teachers</u> Science - Carolyn Bowden (Tues, Wed, Thurs) Maths - Louise Coulter (Wed, Thurs) Amy Turner (Tues, Thurs, Fri)		

Prizegiving 2020

Awards were presented to the following students at Friday's prizegiving assemblies:

	Reaching for the sky	Excelling through effort	Nurturing our human spirit	Leading the way
Room 1	Arianna	Annie	Alistair	Sa
Room 2	Erin	Marisa	Emilie	Evan
Room 4	Damond	Graciella	Jithumi	Tamoghna
Room 5	Sam	Harvey	Heidi	Joshua
Room 6	Vincent	Hana	Amy	Yifei
Room 7	Derek	Julian	Jessica	Tselmeg
Room 8	Peter	Lucas	Jhanvi	Nicole
Room 9	Eli	Chloe	Abigail	Florence
Room 10	Ritisha	James	Frank	Chloe
Room 11	Anna	Logan	Max	Ameera
Room 12	Freida	Yash	Lila	Laura
Room 13	Jamie	Samaara	Harshini	Matthew
Year 7	Lisita & Hyunjun	Leah & Isla	Rosanna & Ziyaad	Rahul & Belle

Year 1 and 2 Talent Quest Cup donated by the Pickmere Family	Ariann
Year 3 and 4 Talent Quest Cup donated by Vicky and Kevin Zhang	Eriko & June
Year 3 KTS Contribution to School Spirit donated by The Friends of Kohia	Ivy
Koru Leadership Award donated by Fe Tomich	Nadia

Year 5 and 6 Talent Show Winner donated by Connor Settle-Smith	Mayoori
Cameron Wilson Cup for Senior Talent Quest	Belle, Ruby & Sarah

The KTS Year 6 Music Award donated by the Ruddell Family	Nethuli
KTS Middle School Maths	Daniel
KTS Middle School Speeches	Jemima
Year 6 Boys' Sportsmanship Award donated by the Carter Family	Blake
Year 6 Girls' Sportsmanship Award	Grace
Board of Trustees Cup for Contribution to School Life	Nethuli
KTS Citizenship Award RICHARD WORTH MP CUP	Cody
The Kohia Cup for Striving for Excellence donated by The Gapes Family	Bangjie
Year 6 Leadership donated by the Durrans Family	Eliza

The KTS Literacy Award	Mia
KTS Senior Maths donated by the Geddes Family	Neo
KTS Languages Award	Nathan
The Godber Art Award	Mia
KTS Music	Genesta
KTS Boys Sportsmanship	Harley
KTS Girls Sportsmanship donated by the Benton Family	Meika
KTS Senior Speech	Ruby
KTS Growth Mindset Cup	Carver
Most Improved in Reading donated by the Humphrey/Begg Family	Eric
KTS Librarian's Choice Cup donated by The Benton Family	Thomas
KTS Otago Problem Solving donated by Fiona Fox	Neo
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Excellence in Performing Arts donated by the Busch Family	Caspar
Science Cup donated by the Loomes Family	Caspar

Kohia Tikanga/ The Kohia Code Cup donated by the Chao Family	Meika
Harrison Scott Memorial Award for Diligence, Determination and Courage	Xavier
<i>NURTURING the Human Spirit : Arohatia tētahi ki tētahi</i>	Jeremy
<i>LEADING the Way : Ārahia te waka</i>	Honami
<i>EXCELLING through Effort : Ina te mahi he rangatira</i>	Genesta
<i>REACHING for the Sky : Whaia te iti kahurangi</i>	Twinkle
Principal's Commendation donated by the Riley Family	Harley

Sports awards

Yr 3/4 Basketball Ballers 2020 Most Improved Player	Vincent
Yr 3/4 Basketball Ballers 2020 Player of the year	Roman
Yr 3/4 Basketball Hoopsters 2020 Most Improved Player	Tai
Yr 3/4 Basketball Hoopsters 2020 Player of the Year	Louie
Flippa Ball Yr 3/4 Kohia Kahawai 2020 Most Improved Player	Finn
Flippa Ball Yr 3/4 Kohia Kahawai 2020 Player of the Year	JeT'aime
Flippa Ball Yr 5/6 Kohia Kina 2020 Most Improved Player	Grace
Flippa Ball Yr 5/6 Kohia Kina 2020 Player of the Year	Matthew
Year 7 Basketball 2020 Most Improved Player	Sanjit
Year 7 Basketball 2020 Player of the Year	Noah
Year 8 Basketball 2020 Most Improved Player	Carver
Year 8 Basketball 2020 Player of the Year	Tevita

Young Kohia Jammers 2020 Most Improved Jump Jammer	Juliette
Young Kohia Jammers 2020 Jump Jammer of the year	Alisha
KTS Jammers 2020 Most Improved Jump Jammer	Alexandra
KTS Jammers 2020 Jump Jammer of the year	Grace
Kohia Freaks 2020 Jump Jammer of the year	Nicole
Kohia Freaks 2020 Most Improved Jump Jammer	Brooklyn
Kohia Jammers 2020 Most Improved Jump Jammer	Annemie
Kohia Jammers 2020 Jump Jammer of the year	Chloe
Kohia Jammers 2020 Jump Jammer of the year	Sophie

Showing Manaakitanga

Alex, one of our Year 4 students, won a \$1000 Smiggle voucher a few weeks ago and decided to give it to a class of new entrant students in a lower decile school. Smiggle heard of her generosity and gifted another \$1000. As a result, two NE classes at two different schools received a Smiggle Christmas present last Wednesday. Room 11 had spent time putting together and then wrapping each gift - they looked just amazing. It was wonderful to see the faces of some of these children. A very special thing to do Alex, and thank you Room 11 for all your help as well.



And so the 2020 school year comes to an end...

It has been an interesting year and one in which our students should be very proud of their achievements; both academically and in terms of adaptability. We wish you all a very safe and happy summer holiday.

Over the break the renovations in Rooms 6 and 7 will continue, the reroofing of the junior block will take place as well as the renovation of the intermediate toilet area and upstairs staff toilet and withdrawal learning space.

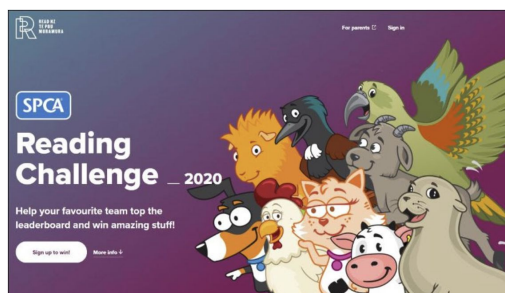
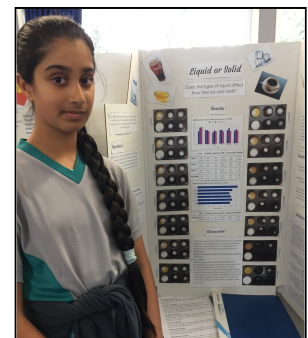
The first day of school for 2021 is Thursday 4th February. We will see you then!

– Alison and Catherine

BELONGING TO KTS

Science News

Congratulations to Twinkle Mistry, Room 15, for her investigation, Liquid or Solid, being judged as the best of the Intermediate Science Fair Projects!



Summer Reading Challenge

Welcome to our latest summer reading competition! This year we've teamed up with SPCA to create the [SPCA Reading Challenge](#) - an online competition for children that also taps into our kids' love for pets and wildlife.

The challenge begins on December 14 and is open to readers from age five up. There are some excellent bookish prizes up for grabs, including daily gift cards from Paper Plus and book packs from Gecko Press.

This year's offering will be similar to the Super Smash Reading Challenge and the Stay Home Book Club we ran during lockdown, but with a few changes including age-based teams, extra challenges (such as reading to an animal - real or the toy variety) and an improved book logging system. We can't wait to share it with our young readers. [Sign up to be notified when the competition opens.](#)

Back to school stationery – order now!

We've teamed up with OfficeMax to make getting school ready faster! Your child's class list is available now on the OfficeMax MySchool website – myschool.co.nz.



We encourage you to order early to ensure your child has all their stationery requirements ready to go for the start of Term 1. Don't wait until mid-January when the 'team of 5 million' get home from holiday – order now and avoid the back to school rush.

This year OfficeMax have introduced Laybuy*, so you can pay in 6 weekly, interest-free instalments - and still get your order right away. Or you can pay by internet banking, credit card or debit card.

When you shop on myschool.co.nz you'll receive free delivery on orders over \$46*. You will also help our school earn school rewards* that we use to purchase much needed extra resources for our school.

* Terms & Conditions apply, see myschool.co.nz for details.

School Leavers – notice re ezlunch / Kindo school shop

If your family is leaving our school and moving to another school that does not use ezlunch or Kindo for school payments, you need to close your account. If you're not sure about the new school, log in, go to *My Details* and click on the list of schools, scrolling to find your new school.

If your new school is NOT on the list, use the 'close account' button on that screen. You can choose to donate your balance to school (where available) or have it paid out to your nominated bank account.



Entertainment Book

Save on everything you know and love during the holidays by purchasing an Entertainment Membership.

By purchasing you will be helping to support our fundraiser more than ever as we receive an extra \$\$\$\$'s on top of the 20% we already receive during this holiday period so the perfect time to support us. Plus makes a great gift for that hard to buy person!! Thank you for your support.

Kohia Kids Zone
JANUARY 2021
HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

MON 25TH JAN - WED 3RD FEB

8.30am - 3pm.	\$35
8.30am - 6pm.	\$45
Trip Day.	\$55

Book Now
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Kohia Kids Zone
CHRISTMAS
HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

WED 16TH - WED 23RD
DECEMBER

8.30am - 3pm.	\$35
8.30am - 6pm.	\$45

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COMMUNITY NOTICES

Children and Youth Worker Position at St Andrew's Epsom

St Andrew's Anglican Church, Epsom is looking for a creative, energetic, flexible person with good communication skills to help us extend and develop our ministry to and with young people. This 10

hour a week role would include developing and coordinating team ministry with young people aged 1–15 and their families from February 2021. For more information and/or a job description please email The Reverend Sarah Stevens-Cross at vicar@standrewsepsom.org.nz

ARTECH @ MOTAT

Jan 13, 14 OR 15, 2021, 9.30am to 4pm Cost \$99 incl GST, Materials & Admission per day.

A one-day drawing programme for children aged 7 years and over.

MOTAT is full of history & memories of time and things past – it's like opening your grandparent's shed and exploring what you find inside! Because we are looking at old-fashioned objects we have chosen techniques that will give an old-fashioned effect to match the subject matter – sepia toned pencils, pencil & wash, and we use old fashioned colours. We will be drawing in 4-5 main areas of MOTAT. Each area will have a specific focus and a different way of drawing.