

Coming Up



## Tuesday 20 October 2020

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Wednesday 21 Oct		Out-of-zone Ballot	
Thurs 22 Oct	9.00am	School Assembly - hosted by Room 9. Sri Lanka is our country of focus.	
Friday 23 Oct		Teacher Only Day	
3rd – 5th Nov		Year 5 camp	
Saturday 7 Nov		PTA Trivia Night	
Mon 9th Nov		Kids for Kids Choir performance	
Thursday 12th Nov		School Athletics at Mt Smart	
18th – 20th Nov	Year 7/8 camp		
Tuesday 24th Nov		Eden Albert Athletics Zones (Yr 4, 5 and 6)	
Thursday 26 Nov		International night	
Saturday 28 Nov		Eden Albert cultural festival	
Tuesday 8 Dec	2.00pm	Year 6 Moving on Up	
Wednesday 9 Dec		Year 8 Graduation	
Friday 11 Dec		Prizegiving assemblies	
Tuesday 15 Dec		Last day of the school year	

### Quick look:

- Have you got the new school app?
- Staffing update

- Learning posts this week
- Students representing KTS

A warm KTS welcome to Cindy, who started in Room 15 on Monday.

What a wonderful weekend – let us hope the weather is just the same for the long weekend coming up. Please remember Friday is our **Teacher Only Day so school is closed for instruction.** Our After School Care programme Kohia Kids Zone is operating so if you need cover for your children please contact Sarah (<u>afterschoolcare@kts.school.nz</u>) or book with AimyPlus – there is a quick link from our new school app or refer to the <u>website</u>.

# School App - have you downloaded it yet?

WOW - we have 138 of you signed up for the new school app. The feedback we have received has been so positive. If you have not done so, please download the SchoolAppsNZ app from the app store. Alerts will come through when there are new items, including the newsletter, which is really easily accessed. If you have downloaded this already, please check that your school-based friends have done the same.





# Learning Posts coming out this week...

Students have been preparing their next learning post, which will be available for your viewing on Friday. Koru students are posting maths learning, Harakeke are celebrating their reading work and Pohutukwa are sharing writing with you. Please log into HERO to see these posts and celebrate the learning with your child.

# **Students representing KTS**

What a busy few days it has been with students out representing the school in various events that thankfully had been rescheduled due to COVID.

Two teams of students competed in the **Lit Quiz** at St Cuthbert's College last week. As usual it was an exciting morning and our teams did well, with one placing 9th out of nearly 50. It is always a very close finish for most teams. Congratulations to Heidi for winning two individual questions and congratulations to all students for the great work they have done over this year. A very special thank you to Jane Russell for coaching the team.



We also had four teams participate in the Jump Jam regionals.

It was very exciting to see these four teams compete with such passion. We brought home three trophies.

A huge thank you to Katie Williams, Anna Hartley and Toni O'Connor for their coaching of the teams.



Finally, our **Kapa Haka group** performed for the residents at Cornwall Park Care Home on Friday afternoon (pictured above). It was the first performance of the year for the group, who are gearing up for their performance at Eden Albert Cultural Festival on Saturday 28th November. We are so fortunate to have Gaylene Hewlett at our school to lead this group.

# **Staffing Update**

It is with some sadness that I let you know that Felecia Tomich, our Koru team leader, will be leaving us at the end of the year to take up the leadership of the special needs department at St Cuthbert's College. Fe has a wealth of knowledge around supporting students with needs due to her Resource Teacher of Learning and Behaviour (RTLB) experience. We will miss her but wish her all the best for this next step in her leadership journey.

I am delighted to let you know that Kerry Hales has been appointed as the new Koru team leader. Kerry is a talented teacher and emerging leader who is very excited about her new role.

Jess Field, who was on a year's leave, has also resigned. Staff who had been on fixed-term roles have picked up these permanent positions.

# Activity costs and school donations

Thank you to everyone who has paid their activity fees and the voluntary school donation. The '<u>school</u> <u>payments information</u>' section of the school website has more detail. As per our guidelines on this page, Florin will be sending out financial statements this week for your reference.

Please make sure you have enrolled any siblings starting next year, and if you have a child who is not returning, please let Florin know for planning purposes (<u>florin@kts.school.nz</u>).

We hope you have all got your tables sorted for this year's Trivia Night. It should be a fun night! Enjoy your extra long weekend -Alison

# **BELONGING TO KTS**

### Trophies

We are starting to prepare for our end-of-year events, including prizegiving. Can those who received a trophy in 2019 please return it to school.

### Hats

Please remember to pack your child's hat now that the weather is improving. If they do not have a hat they will be asked to play in the shade.





### EPro8

For this year's EPro8 competition (Engineer, Problem Solve, Innovate), teams need to create a robotic creature with a moving part. Our second team (Rainbow Unicorn Sparkle Bunnies – Tanishka, Poppy, Meika and Eliza) finished building their dragonfly with moving wings in the last week of Term 3.

Both teams have done really well this year. Rainbow Unicorn Sparkle Bunnies came 6th and Nemo Fish took out 2nd equal place. This means both teams have made it through to the semi-finals. Congratulations!

## **SPOTLIGHT ON SPORTS**

## **Intermediate Basketball Zones**

On Tuesday 13th of October, nine intermediate boys went to the North Shore Event Centre to compete against 12 other teams for the Central Zone tournament. The nine boys that went to the North Shore Event Centre were: Adrian, Noah, Dillion, Archie, Carver, Jeremy, Ben D, Harley and Tevita. We had some ups and some downs during the tournament. We lost our first game but then went on to win the next 4 games which placed us 2nd in our pool. We then lost our last two games, coming 4th in the tournament overall. We felt the whole team performed extremely well, scoring over 100 points against tough competitors. We all want to thank Mr Harper for taking the time to coach and supervise us during our tournament, and Dave Mackay for giving up his day to come and help us with coaching and umpiring. We all enjoyed the tournament and all the year 8s hope the year 7s, and potentially the year 6s, will do well in the next intermediate basketball zones. *– Tevita and Adrian* 

## **Football success**

Congratulations to Luke Jones and Peter Ferguson (Room 8) for winning the Three Kings United 11/12th grade football competition.

Luke also won the TKU Team Leipzig Player of the Year trophy for his awesome dribbling skills and Peter the Player of the Day trophy with their team beating the parents 6 - 5 in the final game of a very disrupted football season!!



## Weet-Bix Tryathlon

The Sanitarium Weet-Bix Kids TRYathlon is designed for Kiwi kids aged 7–15 years to help them stay active and healthy through a programme of participation. The series has been running since 1992 and is a rite of passage for Kiwi kids; to date over 300,000 Kiwi kids have given it a TRY. Open to Kiwi kids of all sporting abilities, the Sanitarium Weet-Bix Kids TRYathlon is a fun day out for kids, parents and families. Participants get to swim, cycle, and run their way around age-appropriate courses, either as an individual or as part of a team of two.

Every participant who enters receives:

- a Weet-Bix Kids TRYathlon medal
- a downloadable certificate of achievement
- an official Weet-Bix Kids TRYathlon t-shirt, drawstring kit bag & swim cap
- complimentary breakfast from the Weet-Bix Breakfast Tent
- PLUS the chance to WIN awesome spot prizes and meet their sporting heroes.

Kohia Terrace will enter the Tryathlon as a school on **December 6th at Keith Hay Park**. When you enter your child on this website: <u>https://tryathlon.co.nz/</u> make sure you click 'Yes, join my school group' and search for Kohia Terrace.

# **Pre-loved football boots**

If your child has any football boots they no longer fit or need, KTS would love to take them off your hands. Please can you drop them into the school office or to Miss Williams in Room 13.

# **PTA UPDATE**

### Second-hand uniform sale

The PTA will be holding a final second-hand uniform sale on Tuesday, 3<sup>rd</sup> November from 2:30 to 3:15 in the foyer beside the office. A limit of 6 items per family will apply until 3pm. Items can still be donated for the sale and are greatly appreciated so if you have any outgrown or surplus items that you would like re-homed, please drop these off to the office. All proceeds from the uniform sale will go towards our PTA fundraising for the year.

# **KTS Kiwiana Trivia Night**

Have you booked your tickets for this fabulous annual event?

We have some new and exciting auction items this year, with prizes for the best 'Kiwiana' costumes and other spot prizes. You will be well fed with a grazing platter and metre-long pizza for each table. Don't miss out!

To book your spot email becca@kts.school.nz.

## Kohia Koha

Don't forget about our Kohia Koha site. This is our very own sell or purchase site, with proceeds going to KTS. There are some fabulous items for sale – bikes, books, clothing, art and furniture. This is also a great chance to get rid of items that you no longer need, and help out the school at the same time.

# **COMMUNITY NOTICES**



