

Newsletter

Tuesday 27 October 2020

Coming Up

Friday 30 Oct Hillary – Wear what you like day

3rd – 5th NovYear 5 campTuesday 3 NovKoru zoo tripSaturday 7 NovPTA Trivia Night

Monday 9 Nov Kids for Kids Choir performance
Tuesday 10 Nov 2:30-3:15pm Second-hand uniform sale

Thursday 12 Nov School Athletics at Mt Smart (Yr 4–8)

18 – 20 Nov Year 7/8 camp

Monday 23 Nov 7.00pm Online Safety Parent Information Evening Tuesday 24 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:

Learning posts have been posted

School App - have you got it yet?

Online Parent Information evening

We certainly hope you had a lovely long weekend. Staff had an excellent day on Friday with teachers working on assessment analysis and alignment and teacher aides in for the morning undertaking some PLD in bicultural understandings and digital tools.

You should have all received an updated learning post on Friday. Our final learning post for the year will be shared in two weeks time.

Room 9 Assembly

Room 9 presented an amazing assembly about Sri Lanka. We learned new facts and were treated to a vibrant dance performance. Obaţa stutiyi to those wonderful parents who helped with this.





Road patrol

A new group of patrollers was trained last week so you may notice some changes on the street. Please support them as you cross, they are still learning. The year 8s are now retired and we would like to thank them for their service, along with the parent helpers who have supported them. Some of these volunteers have been on our roster for many years. There are now some vacancies on Tuesday and Thursday mornings if you have time to give until the end of the year; teachers are filling these spots at the moment. Please contact Catherine (catherine@kts.school.nz) if you are able to help us out.

Online Safety Parent meeting

Monday 23rd November 7.00 - 8.30pm

The need to keep our children safe in a digital world is an ongoing issue. This evening, run by Rob and Zareen Cope, is a 'do not miss' – particularly for the parents of our older students.

Topics to be covered in this meeting are as follows:

- Understand the harms our kids are facing online in relation to pornography, predators & social media access.
- Learn practical solutions to keep your children safer online.
- Get advice on healthy ways to approach these tricky topics.
- Learn what to do when your child has been exposed to something harmful.
- An online safety plan tailored to suit your family's needs.

Please indicate your intention to attend on <u>this google form</u> to give us an idea of numbers. Bear in mind that the evening is an adult education evening and the content may not be suitable for children.

School App - have you downloaded this yet?

We know many of you were frustrated with the need to always log in to the HERO app to read newsletters etc. – our school app will send you a notification when the newsletter is available for reading and then with one click the newsletter is there.

The calendar is also readily accessed, and it is just a quick click to open our other school-related apps.

-Alison

BELONGING TO KTS

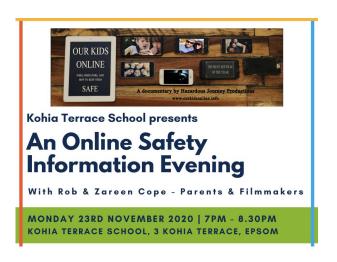
Literacy Awards

Congratulations to the following students who gained literacy awards at assembly last week.

Bronze – Avery, Room 7 Cobalt – Ivy, Room 6

NIWA Science Fair

A huge congratulations to Ben D. on his entry to this year's NIWA Science Fair! Ben worked hard to adapt his investigation over lockdown and really impressed the judges with his work. He received second place in the Year 7 and 8 Planet Earth and Beyond category. Ben has also been awarded a special Gold Award Auckland University Dean of Science Creativity prize for the most creative approach to a problem for Yr 7–13. Wow!





SPOTLIGHT ON SPORTS

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: https://tryathlon.co.nz/ make sure you click 'Yes, join my school group' and search for Kohia Terrace.

PTA UPDATE

Second-hand uniform sale

The PTA will be holding a final second-hand uniform sale on **Tuesday, 10th November** from 2:30 to 3:15 in the foyer beside the office. Please note that this is a week later than advertised in last week's newsletter. 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

This much anticipated event is fast approaching. If you would like to come along, but don't yet have a table, contact your classroom parent liaison and they will get you sorted.

We have some new and exciting auction items this year – see all our generous sponsors below. We have 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, and there will be a cash bar.

Don't miss out! To book your spot email becca@kts.school.nz.

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