



# Newsletter

**Tuesday 4 February 2019**

## Coming up

Thurs 6th Feb

Mon 10th Feb 9.15am

Thurs 20th Feb 5.30 - 7.30pm

Fri 21st Feb 9.30am - 12.30pm  
2:30am - 3:10pm

Mon 24th Feb 7.30pm

Tuesday 25th Feb

Fri 28th Feb

Wed 26th Feb 6.30 - 8.30pm

Fri 6th March 5.30 - 7.30pm

**Waitangi Day - school closed**

Powhiri for all new students and their families

Meet the Teacher

Yr 4 - 8 School Swimming Sports

Second-hand uniform sale

PTA Meeting

EA Swimming Zones (Years 5 and 6)

**Teacher Only Day - school closed for instruction**

Board of Trustees Meeting

KTS Colour Run

## Quick look:

- Powhiri 9.15am Monday 10th February – all welcome
- Coronavirus Update
- Introducing Micaela – our new music teacher
- Bricks 4 Kids – all you need to know
- Have you got a HERO in your life?
- Student leadership roles – 2020
- Blanket Consent

Welcome back everyone. It has been wonderful to see pretty much everyone back at school yesterday all ready and set for what will be another action-packed year. It is a hot time and teachers are very mindful of the need to keep rooms as cool as possible. Classes will venture outside for some fresh breeze from time to time, or head to the hall. Pictured is Room 10 enjoying a story under the trees.



We have started the year with a new look website. The information is generally the same but more user friendly and intuitive we hope. Please take the time to become familiar with what is new and where to find key information.

Over the break we have had the roofing replaced over Rooms 8 and 9. The remainder of the main block will have roofing replaced later in the year. Rooms 12 and 13, as our hottest classrooms, have nice new heat pumps installed. There are plans to replace all our gas heaters in due course.

A very warm welcome to all our new students and their families. It is great to have you as part of our wonderful school community. We are looking forward to getting to know you all over the next few weeks. We also welcome Ms Huang (R12), Ms Winston-Houghton (R7), Ms Dong (R8) and Whaea Lee-Ann (R16) who join us as university students from the Graduate Diploma in Teaching.

We are holding our 2020 powhiri at **9.15am, Monday 10th February**. All new students and their whanau are invited, but also any member of our school community.

### Walk Your Wheels

For the safety of all before and after school, we ask that students with scooters or bikes **'walk their wheels'** when in the school grounds. Thank you again for your support.

### Coronavirus Update

Thank you so much to those families who have kept students home to ensure they are virus free. Yesterday we checked in with ALL students and followed up as required. From the information received, we are pleased that no student has come back to school if they have recently returned from the Asian region. We have had requests from some students if they are allowed to wear a face mask – they are most welcome to. As a school that welcomes and celebrates its cultural diversity, we are very mindful to be very inclusive of individual needs and wants. I would like to thank you all for your cooperation with what has been a tricky start to the year – it has been greatly appreciated.

We will continue updating the school website as updates arrive from the Ministry of Education and Ministry of Health.

### Music Programme 2020

We are very excited to have Micaela Bonnar join the staff this year to run our music programme. Micaela is a very talented music teacher and we are just delighted to have her in the school each Friday. Micaela, who was a foundation student of Kohia Terrace School 23 years ago, is keen to hear from you so she can organise her programme for students. Please take the time to fill out her survey [HERE](#).



### Bricks for Kids

We are very excited to be offering a new opportunity. Bricks 4 Kids is a motorised lego model building class that will run out of Room 3 this term. Please check out the details below and register now [www.bricks4kids.co.nz](http://www.bricks4kids.co.nz). First class is Tuesday 11th February!!

**bricks 4 kidz**  
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TERM 1, 2020

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\$25 Per Week, \$225 For Term 1 (9 Weeks)

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## HERO for parents

On Friday, I sent out information on how to access the app for HERO and how to register. It is vital that all parents use the app, whether that be on a smartphone or your computer. This will be the key tool for communication of notices, newsletters etc, to check on financial matters (in a week or so) and in Term 2 to track your child's learning progress in reading, writing and maths.

Please find the link on how to load this on the school website [HERE](#), or refer to my email last Friday. You must use the email address the school has on file. If you did not get the email on Friday then we have the wrong email address – please see Florin to have this changed.

## Student leadership positions

As we have quite a number of our senior students on a 14-day quarantine, we are going to wait until Monday 17th February to organise our house captain, sports captain and library captain roles for 2020. We will also be appointing the house representative, sports and library leaders and the tech leaders.

This year, we are also going to limit the house representative roles to Year 6 and 7 students only. The house reps, along with the house captains, will form the basis of the student council who will be organising and running school events with the aim of strengthening school spirit and adding that sense of house competition from time to time.

## Blanket Consent

We are implementing a blanket consent for all students for 2020. There are two forms, one for Year 1 – 3 students, and one for Year 4 – 8 students. A blanket consent means permission is gained now for the conditions outlined below. We will still notify you **when** students are going on these various trips, but you will not have to give permission **per trip**. These forms will come home with students today.

### Year 1 – 3

Students to attend trips in the local area such as Epsom Library, Melville Park, Mt Eden Village, Maungawhau **by foot**. If a bus is required, consent will be required per trip as before.

### Year 4 – 8

Students to attend

- Sport Zones events
- Excursions within the Auckland area e.g. Epsom Library, Melville Park, Kelly Tarltons, Maungawhau, Auckland Museum
- Visits to local schools for sporting or learning exchange

Thanks everyone for a great start to the year. It is good to be underway. We look forward to seeing you at the Meet the Teacher Evening on Thursday 20th February – *Alison*

## Belonging to KTS

### Second-hand uniform sale

The PTA will be holding a uniform sale on Friday, 21 February. If you would like to donate any clean items for the sale, the PTA would warmly welcome them (they can be dropped off at the office).

### Swimming Sports

On Friday 21st of February we will be holding our annual KTS Swimming Sports. It is a fun day in the sun with lots of swimming to be done. Children will be asked in class what races they would like to enter and all children are encouraged to enter at least one race. Everyone is more than welcome to come along to support swimmers from 9am to 12pm at the University Pool.

## Swimming Programme

Below is the swimming timetable for the next few weeks.

WEEK 1	Monday 3rd	Tuesday 4th	Wednesday 5th	Thursday 6th	Friday 7th
11 - 11:45				Waitangi Day	Year 5
11:45 - 12:30					
1:30 - 2:15					Intermediates
2:15 - 3					
WEEK 2	Monday 10th	Tuesday 11th	Wednesday 12th	Thursday 13th	Friday 14th
11 - 11:45	Year 6	Intermediates	Year 5	Year 6	Intermediates
11:45 - 12:30					
1:30 - 2:15	Year 5	Year 6	Intermediates	Year 5	Year 6
2:15 - 3					
WEEK 3	Monday 17th	Tuesday 18th	Wednesday 19th	Thursday 20th	Friday 21st
11 - 11:45	Intermediates	Year 6	Intermediates	Year 5	KTS Swimming Sports
11:45 - 12:30					
1:30 - 2:15	Year 5	Year 5	Year 6	Intermediates	
2:15 - 3					

## Community Notices

### WANT TO LEARN CHINESE?

Pistachio Mandarin Language Centre is offering Chinese lessons on Saturdays from 5+. Classes are 1 hour for total beginners, 1 hour for higher beginners & 1 hours for Adults for term 1 2020. Focusing on speaking, listening. Fun activities to engage students and to immerse them in a Mandarin speaking environment. Come for the first free trial lesson.

Start: Term 1 Saturday 15 February 2020 Venue: Kohia Terrace School, Epsom

Please Email: [pistachiomandarin@gmail.com](mailto:pistachiomandarin@gmail.com)

Website: [www.pistachiomandarin.weebly.com](http://www.pistachiomandarin.weebly.com); Facebook: Pistachio Mandarin Language Centre

Are you interested in **hosting a student from overseas**? Click [HERE](#) to find out more.

### Speech and Drama Lessons

Head Held High are running Speech and Drama lessons at Epsom Community Centre this term, on Mondays and Tuesdays. Click [HERE](#) to read more.

### Pform Performing Arts Classes

Pform are back with their performing arts classes in the school hall at lunchtimes on Mondays and Fridays. Click [HERE](#) to find out more and about how to enrol.



### Helen O'Grady Drama Academy – The Difference is DRAMATIC!

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details, please ring Debbie Napier on 836-0233 or email:

[debbiehelenogrady@gmail.com](mailto:debbiehelenogrady@gmail.com) Check out [www. Helenogrady.co.nz](http://www.Helenogrady.co.nz)



**FINE YOUNG ARTISTS: ART CLASSES AT SCHOOLS, AFTER SCHOOL**

Fine Young Artists is an inspirational **fine arts programme** designed for children who are **passionate about art**. Every term children take part in an exciting new programme based on the works of a well-known artist. Our 8-week course is the perfect way to develop your child's artistic potential.

**Term 1 2020 @ Kohia Terrace School is "It's All About Me" (mixed media on wooden board)**

Classes commence Monday 10th February for 8 weeks at The Gifford Gallery, Poronui St, Mt Eden. There is a supervised walk provided from Kohia Terrace School.

**ENROL NOW!** [www.fineyoungartists.co.nz](http://www.fineyoungartists.co.nz) E: [enquires@fineyoungartists.co.nz](mailto:enquires@fineyoungartists.co.nz) P: 09 6341995