



#### Tuesday 8 December 2020

Coming Up		
Wednesday 9 Dec		Road patrollers' thank you morning
		Year 8 Graduation
Thursday 10 Dec		Pohutukawa team at Parnell Pools
		Koru picnic
Friday 11 Dec		Prizegiving assemblies/ reports go live on HERO
Monday 14 Dec		Hillary House goes to the movies
Tuesday 15 Dec	12.30pm	Final assembly. School closes 1.30pm

#### Quick look:

• End-of-year reports out on Friday

• Class placement process

• Sports role

And here we are; this time next week will be our farewell assembly and the last day of the 2020 school year. This coming week is full of events so please check your diaries for dates and timings, the list above may be helpful.

Congratulations to Hillary house for winning the overall house competition at assembly last week. Their trip to the movies will be on Monday 14 December; Hillary families will receive more details shortly.

Teacher for the day was a new initiative which went down well with our new 'teachers' and classes, it was amazing how comfortable many of the students were in their temporary role. Thank you to those parents who participated. We hope to see it back next year.

## Prizegiving 2020

We are holding our prizegiving assemblies for the recipients of sports awards, cornerstone badges and major awards on **Friday 11th December.** 

9.00 – 9.45 am	Junior Prizegiving (Year 1 – 3 students)
10.00 – 11.15 am	Senior Prizegiving (Year 4 – 8 students)

Due to space restrictions, attendance is by invitation only. Caregivers of recipients will have received an email last week.

## **End-of-year Reports**

On Friday we'll be publishing end-of-year reports. The curriculum statements will indicate how your child is achieving against national expectancy, there will be a general comment from the classroom teacher, and a comment from Carolyn Bowden regarding their science learning this year. One of the real nuggets of gold is the curriculum highlights that your children have written.

This is the first year we have used HERO so we are still learning where information is best shared. The learning posts from throughout the year, for example, will be shared in a different section next year. There are some elements that have been a key part of previous years' reports that have not been included as we have been reviewing them. The KTS Learner and inquiry learning will be included in 2021 reporting.

## **Class Placements**

Class placements have now been finalised with this information coming to you through HERO on Monday. A lot of time and effort is taken by our teachers when placing students in classes for the following year. We take into account gender, ethnic and learning needs and behavioural balance. We also consider the strengths of the teachers in the next year group and who would best meet the needs of your child. All students are also asked to note three friends they would like to be in a class with – your child will have at least one of those people with them. We therefore do not make any class changes once they are published.

## Sports parent helper role

Rachel Ogilvy will be taking on the sports leader role in 2021; it is a huge job so an assistant would make life easier for her. As such, we are seeking someone to work 6 hours a week in 2021 from 11.30am to 2.30pm two days a week. Days are negotiable. The job description is attached <u>HERE</u>. Please contact Alison if you are interested, or email (<u>alison@kts.school.nz</u>) outlining your suitability.

- Alison and Catherine

# **BELONGING TO KTS**

## Literacy Awards

Congratulations to the following students who received their literacy awards at last week's assembly:

Bronze – Catherine H. (R6), Isabella (R7), Anna Z. (R11) Cobalt – Brooklyn (R13) Silver – Zoya & Canaan (R15) Gold – Adria (R15), Heidi (R16)



Congratulations to the following students who received certificates at assembly last week:							

Rm 1	Isaac, Nita	Rm 2	Alexander, Hunter, Maryam	Rm 3	Sally, Chloe	
Rm 4	Charlotte, Phoebe	<b>Rm 5</b> Rayumi, Kanveer, Angelica		Intermediate		
Rm 6	Sebastian, Helena, Stella	Rm 7	Eloise, Bea	Nikhita, Honami, Twinkle, Emma, Poppy, Zoya, Fatimah, Madeleine, Ziyaad, Adrian		
Rm 8	Elaine, Blake, Nicole	Rm 9	SeoYun, Georgia, Pawan			
Rm 10	Nathan, Lucy	Rm 11	Timoci, Cheng	<b>Excellence Awards:</b> Zoya, Poppy, Archie, Alex		
Rm 12	Bader, Eloise, Emily, Cyrus	Rm 13	Llewellyn, Eliza			

## Donations for young mums

One of our parents is currently working at a family clinic in Manurewa. They are looking after young Mums who have no social support and are in need of baby clothes. Often these mothers have nothing at all for their babies.

If anyone has any baby clothes for babies size 0 to 12 months that they no longer need can they drop them off to school before the last day (15th Dec).

If you have any questions please contact Erynn (erynn@kts, school.nz)

## Sports uniforms

Please ensure your child returns any sports gear such as netball uniforms back to the school office in clean condition in a clean bag with their name on it as soon as possible. Thank you.

## Summer Reading Challenge

Welcome to our latest summer reading competition! This year we've teamed up with SPCA to create the <u>SPCA</u> <u>Reading Challenge</u> - 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.

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## **Missing books**

Stocktake. There are again a large number of fiction books missing from the library again this year. Unfortunately this is becoming a concerning pattern as it is obvious

that whole series or trilogies are missing. The newest of these is 'The Magisterium' series by Holly Black, 'Spark' trilogy by Alice Broadbent, 'The Monument 14' trilogy by Emmy Laybourne and 'William Wenton' series by Bobbie Peers. There are also many



more books which would be read by students from Year 5–8. Please check at home for any books belonging to school. There now should be no Kohia Terrace books at home.

## **Cornerstone Plaques**

As we come to the end of another school year, some families are preparing to leave the school for the last time. You may want to consider purchasing a cornerstone plaque, which will be placed on the pillars outside the intermediate classrooms. In years to come, they are a great record of your involvement with the school. The order forms can be found on the front page of the website. http://www.kts.school.nz/

## 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.

## **SPOTLIGHT ON SPORTS**

## Sanitarium Weetbix Kids Tryathlon

Congratulations to all those students who swam, biked and ran around Keith Hay Park on Sunday. Thanks to Oliver Shaw who took charge of the school ezi-up and picked up our spot prize.

#### Year 3/4 Flippaball

This year our dedicated "Kohia Kahawai" flippaball team have gone from strength to strength. They have continually improved their offensive and defensive skills and really work together as a team. This past weekend they won a very exciting semi-final with a golden goal in overtime and will be playing in the gold medal match this weekend. Good luck Kahawai!



#### **Congratulations!**

Well done on yet another fantastic tennis victory for Boidehi. She and her tennis partner became winners in the Mixed Doubles category in Christchurch.

#### Koru athletics results

Congratulations to all Koru students who placed in last week's athletics day!

			Boys		Girls			
		First	Second	Third	First	Second	Third	
Sprints	Y1	Jonathan	Alexander	Sam	Hana	Arianna	Nita	
	Y2	Jordan	Tamoghna	Tai	Mishita	Mia	Mila	
	Y3	Jake	Robbie	Ray	lvy	Phoebe	Stella	
Throw	Y1	Martin	Logan	Isaac	Nita	Filza	Vita	
	Y2	Victor	Vinnie	Tamoghna	Paige	Lexi	Heidi	
	Y3	Oliver	Ryan	Tristan	Rained out			
Hurdles	Y1	Rained out			Abby	Arianna	Hana	
	Y2	Jordan	Tai	Joshua	Lexi	Paige	Tiamo	
	Y3	Julian	Ryan	Jake	Bella	Phoebe	Karen	
Long Jump	Y1	Rohan	Alexander	Jonathan	Abby	Hana	Nita	
	Y2	Rained out			Heidi	Mishita	Tiamo	
	Y3	Jake	Robbie	Ryan/Vincen t	Jessica	Tali	Avery	
High Jump	Y1	Sam	Rohan	Alexander	Ariana	Deyala	Iris	
	Y2	Joshua	Victor	Jordan	Heidi	Anna	Lexi	
	Y3	Rained out			Bella	Jessica	Phoebe	



## 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.



# Got five minutes?

Your child's back to school class list is ready to shop now at **myschool.co.nz** or call us Mon to Fri, 8.30am – 5pm.

myschool.co.nz 0800 724 440



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.* 



#### **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.



