

Tuesday 11 May 2021

Coming Up		
10–14 May		Book Week
Tues 11 May	6.00–7.00pm	EGGS open evening
Thurs 13 May	7:00–8:30pm	Online safety information evening
14 May	9am	Book Character Dress-up Parade
	2:15pm	School assembly led by Room 10
17 May	7:30pm	PTA meeting – all welcome
24-26 May		Bike ready for year 7
1 June		School cross country
4 June		Teacher Only Day – school closed for instruction
Quick look:		

Disco thanks **Online Safety parent evening** **Book Week details** Learning posts

What a wonderful Thursday evening we had at school last week. As some of the five year olds said last Friday "what a great party". A very special thank you to Chris Hendry for all his time and the effort he went to to ensure such a great disco. Also a big thank you to Tina Jerabek, Wendy McRae and Steve Lee for their organisation, and to those parents, and staff, who came and helped. What an awesome community we have! On Friday we formally welcomed our new students and their families to the school in our mihi whakatau. It is always a very special event. I would like to acknowledge the support of No. 28 Early Childhood centre for their ongoing support – it is a very special relationship.

It is going to be a busy week with various book-related activities to acknowledge our Book Week. Please take note of the following:

Scholastic Book Fair Books will be for sale Mon–Thurs 2.45–3.20pm and Tues 8.30–9am on the hall stage.

Monday 10th Graphic artist Michel Mulipola visit for Harakeke (see below for photo).

Tuesday 11th Writers Festival trip for Pohutukawa (photos below).

Thursday 13th Author/Illustrator Vasanti Unka visit for Koru.

Friday 14th 9am Book Character parade for the whole school. Students can be creative and put their costumes together with things from home. You do not need to buy an expensive costume. If the weather is fine the whole school parades through Mt Eden Village which is always exciting.

There are also a number of school-based challenges and activities in the library and the classrooms for students to engage in.

Online safety information evening – Thursday 13 May at 7pm

Rob and Zareen Cope are giving a presentation about keeping our students safe online, particularly in relation to social media, accessing offensive content and how to encourage safe online interactions. This event was postponed at the end of last year due to illness. Rob and Zareen are filmmakers who have developed some practical advice for parents like themselves. Their documentary has been shared widely both in NZ and overseas, they have also been interviewed on radio and TV to talk about their findings. It should be an informative and relevant evening for our community. For more information see their trailer: <u>vimeo.com/ondemand/ourkidsonline</u>.

So that we have some idea of numbers, please indicate your interest on <u>this google form</u>. The school is funding this presentation in the interest of keeping our community safe. We look forward to seeing you.

Learning Posts

Our staff and students are currently working on their next learning post to go out. The children love it when you make a comment on their online learning posts. A reminder that each learning post is another glimpse into your child's learning progress and serves as part of their yearly report.

We hope you get an opportunity to come in and check out the books for sale in the hall. Book Week is always a lot of fun – we may even see you up at Mt Eden Village for our character parade on Friday morning. Ka kite ano – *Alison*

BELONGING TO KTS

Book Week Highlights

Michel Mulipoda inspired Harakeke students yesterday when he visited. He spoke to the students about how he followed his dream to be a comic book artist and wrestler.





The Intermediates visited the Writers Festival today. Shilo Kino talked about her book *Porangi Boy,* which the Intermediates have all read.

School Payments

A reminder to check Hero for any outstanding payments, such as activity fees and sports fees. Thank you.



CHESS Club

Chess Power runs a chess class every Wednesday from 12:40 to 1:30 pm in Room 3. The fee is \$120 for the term per student (this is a 10-week programme). If your child is interested in learning to play chess, or improving their game, visit the website: https://www.chesspower.co.nz/register

It is easy to register. Just choose your school/group and fill out the online form. A payment link will be available to you on the form. Payment can be made online by bank transfer or credit card via PayPal.

To find out more about Chess Club, read the flyer HERE.

SPORTS

Netball success

The Year 7/8 Netball season started yesterday at Windmill Courts with two great games.

The KTS Hawkes won their game 13 : 6, and the KTS Keas won their game 8 : 4.

Huge thanks to Xenia and Jenny for coaching and managing the teams, and to the other parents that came to support.

Netball games for Years 2–6 will start next week. Your manager will let you know when the game is on as soon as we have the draw from Auckland Netball. Training starts this week for some teams.

PTA NEWS

KOHIA KAI COOKBOOK – last chance to win a pizza lunch for your class! Send in your recipe by **May 17th**

As you know, we are working towards publishing the Kohia Kai Cookbook in Term 4. We are asking every family to contribute a special recipe; thank you to everyone who has already sent one in. BUT we still need more to make this a true celebration of our community.

Please choose a special dish and send in the recipe by MONDAY MAY 17th. You can



download the <u>recipe template</u> or simply take a photo and send it to <u>kohiacookbook@gmail.com</u>. The class with the most recipes submitted will win a pizza lunch!

We are also selling advertising space in the cookbook and looking for sponsors. If you know of a business that would be interested please contact <u>kohiacookbook@gmail.com</u>.



Check out our fantastic new shopping site <u>www.schoolpickup.nz</u> where KTS gets 50% of the sales. There is a huge range of stunning items from homewares to

clothing to kids' stuff. Brands include Blunt, KitchenAid, David Trubridge, Status Anxiety and PlanetBox.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Head Held High

Speech and drama lessons at Epsom Community Centre. Click <u>HERE</u> for more information.

