



Newsletter

Tuesday 27 June 2021

Coming Up

Thu 29 July		Hillary 'wear a silly hat' day (Note this is Thursday)
Fri 30 July	9–9:45am	Mihi Whakatau
Sat 31 July		Jump Jam competition
2–6 Aug		Maths Week
Tue 3 Aug	3:15–7:30pm	3WLC
Thu 5 Aug	1:30–5:30pm	3WLC
Fri 6 Aug	9:00am	School Assembly led by Room 2
Mon 9 Aug	7:30pm	PTA Meeting
Thu 12 Aug	1:30–3pm	Year 7/8 Balance and Bounce Challenge
Fri 13 Aug		Year 1–6 Balance and Bounce Challenge

Quick look:

- Three-way learning conferences
- PhotoLife photos now ready to order
- Bounce and Balance Challenge

A big KTS welcome to all the new students who started at Kohia this week: Savik, Eugene, Nico, Shashank and Austin (Rm 3); Sharon and Suri (Rm 4); Elisha (Rm 5); Callista (Rm 11); Kevin (Rm 13); and Darya (Rm 16). We will be holding our termly mihi whakatau on Friday morning to bring them into our school community.

We are looking forward to a term full of exciting learning experiences starting off with Maths Week in Week 2. Students are busy balancing and bouncing in preparation for the Challenge in Week 4. The Intermediates have been really getting the hang of those unicycles, nice job guys! Hillary students get to wear silly hats on Thursday in recognition of their house-point win at assembly. All the best to our Jump Jam teams who represent Kohia Terrace on Saturday afternoon. Many thanks to the teachers who have trained them in preparation for this event.

It was a real highlight to see the Kapa Haka group perform at Epsom Library at the end of last term to support the library's celebration of Matariki. The students performed with confidence and pride. A very special thank you to Gaylene Hewlett for her commitment to Kapa Haka – they made her extremely proud.



Bounce and Balance Challenge Reminders

We hope sponsorship forms have been filling up over the break. We have an iPad and two activity trackers here at school ready for the lucky recipients, alongside lots of Westfield vouchers (see below for more information). For every \$20 a child raises, they go into the general prize draw. To be in the draw to win the iPad, they must raise at least \$40.

A reminder that the fundraising this year is going towards the development of our māra kai (Maori garden) which has been started. We were honoured to have Godfrey Rudolph come in and bless the breaking of the ground on the last Thursday of term. The work has begun on the raised garden beds, which is pretty exciting.



Three-way learning conferences

Bookings are now open for conferences next week on Tuesday and Thursday. Thank you to all those who have already booked in. If you have not yet done so, please book in by clicking on this link www.schoolinterviews.co.nz. The event code is **7yt8z**.

Classes will continue until 3pm as normal on Tuesday; supervision will be provided in the hall on Thursday afternoon. If you would like to collect your child at 12.40pm on Thursday, then please sign them out at the office or with the classroom teacher. All students will be in the hall, with the Year 1 and 2 students being brought around to the junior area at 3.00pm for collection. Year 3–8 students will be released from the hall once the bell has rung.

Chicken pox

Chicken pox is still lingering in our community, with several children at home recovering. Please be on the lookout for the following symptoms:

Initial symptoms of chickenpox include fatigue, a mild fever, lack of appetite, and a feeling of being generally unwell. This is quickly followed (usually within 24 hours) by the development of a red rash, which usually appears on the chest and/or back first, later spreading to the face, scalp, arms, and legs.

If your child has chicken pox, please keep them at home while they are infectious, and inform the office and the classroom teacher.

Road Safety - using the drop-off / pick-up zone

It is great to see so many drivers using the drop-off / pick-up zone so respectfully these days. This is really appreciated. A reminder that you can stop for a few minutes to wait for your child, but if there are cars behind you that have collected their child, we ask that you move off and come around again. This keeps the traffic flowing. Another good tip is to remind your child/ren that they need to get out of class quickly to meet you at the car.

We hope you are enjoying getting back into the school routine. See you next week as you come in for 3WLCs. – *Alison and Catherine*

BELONGING TO KTS

Congratulations to the following students who received certificates in assembly at the end of term 2:

Rm 1	Harriet Emma K	Rm 2	Matthew Westly Marcus	Intermediate Brian Ayaka Rosanna Poppy William Summer Isla
Rm 4	Fathiya Rohan	Rm 5	Aurelia Hiyara	
Rm 6	Ari Charlotte	Rm 7	Caspar Rayumi Heidi	
Rm 8	Yash Mayoore Hanny	Rm 9	Drina Lila Wallace	
Rm 10	Emma Jake	Rm 11	Isaac Tali William	Excellence Nelson Rahul Lorraine
Rm 12	Sora Harper	Rm 13	Harper Edric	

Congratulations also to the following students who received their literacy awards:

Bronze – Andrew (Rm 6), Ritisha (Rm 13)

Cobalt – Isabella (Rm 10), Avery (Rm 11)

Silver – Alexandra & Nadia (Rm 10), Mayoora (Rm 8), Samaara (Rm 9)

Gold – Matthias (Rm 16)

PhotoLife school photos

School photos are now able to be ordered. Your child will bring home a form containing an access key for you to order online. Please order before Sunday 29th August to ensure free delivery.

More tennis success

During the holidays, Boidehi (Rm 15) played in the Tennis NZ Tier 2 – 2021 Southern Junior Indoor Open in Dunedin. She won the Singles 12 & Under Girls category, as well as the 12 & Under Doubles category with her partner Samaara (Rm 9). Congratulations to both girls for these fantastic achievements!

PTA NEWS

School PickUp – Check out a great shopping site www.schoolpickup.nz where KTS gets 50% of the sales.

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Balance & Bounce Challenge

We are very excited about this year's 'a-thon' – a balance and bounce challenge which is a nice move away from some of the more academic foci over the last few years. We have planned a number of physical challenges for our students, depending on their age. Some of these will remind you of your own childhood, so you will be well placed to help your child out. So, what do we have in store?



Year 1 & 2 60 mins – 10 mins per activity*

single rope, long rope, basketball dribble/bounce pass, hopscotch, moon hoppers, hula hoops

Year 3 & 4 70 mins – 10 mins per activity*

single rope, long rope, elastics, hopscotch, moon hoppers, knucklebones, basketball dribble



Year 5 & 6 80 mins – 10 mins per activity*

long rope, hacky sacks, diablo, pogo sticks, stilts, knucklebones, basketball shots, single rope



Year 7 & 8 90 mins – 10 mins per activity*

long rope, single rope, hacky sacks, diablo, pogo sticks, basketball shots, stilts, knucklebones, unicycle

* Note: activities and time spent on each activity may change.

Key Dates

5 July

12 Aug

13 Aug

16 - 25 Aug

26 August

27 August

Sponsorship Forms sent home

Year 7 & 8 Balance and Bounce Challenge afternoon

Year 1–6 Balance and Bounce Challenge Day

Collection of sponsorship money

Final date for return of sponsorship forms and money

Balance and Bounce Prizegiving Assembly

Orange Sponsorship Forms were sent home at the end of last term. We would really appreciate it if each student could collect sponsors for their balance and bounce challenge. If every student brings in \$40 of sponsorship we will make over \$15K, which will go a long way towards funding our new gardens behind the hall. If you need a new sponsorship form, please ask at the office.

Prizes

For every \$20 a student raises, their names goes into the draw for the following prizes:

Year 0 – 8 (minimum \$40 sponsorship)	1 prize draw for an iPad (donated by Entity)
Year 0 – 4	1 prize draw for an activity tracker
Year 5 – 8	1 prize draw for an activity tracker
Year 0 – 4	10 prize draws for \$20 Westfield Gift Cards
Year 5 – 8	10 prize draws for \$20 Westfield Gift Cards
Year 0 – 4 student with most money collected	\$50 Westfield Gift Card
Year 5 – 8 student with most money collected	\$50 Westfield Gift Card
Pizza lunch for class with highest average fundraised per student	

COMMUNITY NOTICES

United Swimming Club

Are you competitive, want to improve fitness, or simply swim for enjoyment? Come try out squad swimming with United Swimming Club. Click [HERE](#) for details.

Head Held High

Speech and drama lessons at Epsom Community Centre. Click [HERE](#) for more information.

Fine Young Artists art classes

Find out more about term 3 art classes [HERE](#)

Roskill Futsal Club

RFC runs a programme for groups who want to experience authentic Brazilian futsal training once a week. Click [HERE](#) for more information, or visit facebook.com/roskillfutsalclub

Join Karate!

Kia Ora! We are SSKANZ Karate and we have been teaching karate for over 20 years. Check us out for more information [HERE](#) Classes run every Tues and Thurs between 6:30–7:30 pm at the KTS School Hall.

