







# Year 4 2025

Welcome to Room 10 and Room 11!





#### **Our Whakatauki**

Kohia te wānanga e tū ki te ao mārama

Gather the knowledge of the ancestors and stand to face the world

# A bit about your new teachers

# Miss Bradley - Rm 10



I have been at Kohia Terrace since 2023. This is my second year teaching Y4, and I am so excited to be your child's teacher this year.

I am originally from England but grew up in Napier before moving to Auckland to complete my teaching studies. Before this, I lived in London for a few years as an Instructional Designer for a Change Management Consultancy. This is where my passion for education ignited as I joined the Learning and Innovation team.

I love my job as a teacher and look forward to working with this brilliant group of students.

#### Mrs. Friedlander - Rm 11

I am delighted to be your child's classroom teacher this year. I have been teaching for over 20 years and have been at KTS since 2017. I spent my first 14 years teaching year 7 and 8 students before teaching years 5 and 6 (and now 4!) here at KTS.

I live with my husband and our cat, Katenka.

I have a love of learning and have managed to finish a Bachelor of Science in Biology part-time while teaching. I am committed to instilling a passion for learning in all my students!



Part-Time Y4 Teacher: Ms McEwen

# Life in Year 4

#### **Home Learning**

Home learning will be sent home once a fortnight on a Monday. This includes a range of activities and tasks for your child to complete that reflect their class learning. These will include online and offline tasks. It is important that your child reads and practises basic facts every night. Home learning is encouraged in Year 4. The home learning grid will also be added to our Google Classrooms each fortnight.



### **Cyber Safety**

All parents and students are required to sign an Internet Safety agreement concerning the operation and use of the Internet and ICT equipment in the school.

Students have access to Oxford Maths and SmartLab to support their learning. Hero will continue to be used to share evidence of learning and Google Classroom for learning tasks.

Inappropriate use of computers (websites, messaging, Google Classroom) at school is taken very seriously and will result in a conversation with our Principal Alison, and the potential loss of usage for an appropriate period of time.

### **Routines and Learning**



There are hooks outside the classroom where school bags can be hung. Classrooms will be open for children from 8.30am for students to get ready for the school day and return any notices.

School starts: 8.50
Morning Tea: 10.30 - 11.00
Lunch 12.40 - 1.30
School finishes: 3.00

A variety of ordered lunches are available through the Ezi- lunch online booking system located on the KTS website.



#### Sick Children

If your child is unwell, we would really appreciate you keeping them home so that they can get well quickly. Please remember to phone or email the office to leave a message informing us that they are sick.

If your child is clearly unwell at school, we will send them to the sick bay and the office staff will contact you to collect them.



# Library, STEM, PE and Music

Both classes have their library session Thursday middle block. During this time children are allowed to select two books and have these issued in their name; these are issued for two weeks. In Year 4 we are recommending students issue one book to read at school during daily SSR time and one to read at home. The library is also open during lunchtimes.

Our PE skills sessions are on Wednesday mornings and we will practise a range of seasonally appropriate sports on Monday afternoons.

Music with Mrs Mason is also on a Wednesday morning, and STEM lessons are with Miss Lee every second Tuesday.

If your child would like to join a sports team this year, please email sports@kts.school.nz for more information.





#### **Behaviour**

Please refer to the Kohia Terrace School expectations of behaviour. Rooms 10 and 11 have developed a few chosen rules reflecting the school expectations of behaviour, which we think are necessary for creating a safe, happy environment that encourages and supports learning.



# **Lost Property**

There is a school lost property box outside Room 8 and a box outside Room 3. Please ensure that all items of clothing are named.

# **Holidays and Appointments in School Time**

Please note that if you are wanting to take a holiday during term time, you must contact Alison. Please see the school website for further information about this (under Parents > Attendance at School).

Please try to make appointments (dentist, doctor etc.) after school or during the holidays to minimise the disruptions to your child's learning.

#### Communication

If you have any questions or concerns, please email Angela at angelaf@kts.school.nz or Charli at charlib@kts.school.nz. Alternatively, an appointment can be made for a time that is convenient for all parties.

Our team leader for Y4-6 Vanessa Sharplin can be contacted at vanessas@kts.school.nz

We are looking forward to a fantastic year supporting your child in their learning in Year 4!