

Kia ora/Greetings

KNS Way



Four of the five pou (pillars) have a tohu (design) depicting each aspect of the KNS Way.

Our Knighton Way dispositions come from the New Zealand Key Competencies.

- thinking.
- using language, symbols, and texts.
- managing self.
- relating to others.
- participating and contributing.

At Knighton we believe the development of the KNS Way is as important as success in reading, writing and mathematics. Each classroom teacher is constantly giving children opportunities to practice these skills and values.

We are working with our children and staff in creating some characters that show some of these dispositions in action.

These will be placed throughout the school to mind and encourage children to become powerful learners.

Ministry of Education

Last week members of our Board of Trustees hosted Paula Rawiri- Director of Education for Waikato, and a range of other representatives from the Ministry of Education with knowledge in property and special education support. During the meeting we raised a range of points with the representatives, based on increasing learning opportunities for our children.

Opportunities at Knighton

Our goal at Knighton is to grow children's participation in games, arts and sports and our philosophy is based on fun, participation, skill development, teamwork and healthy competition.

Every week I marvel at the hard work and commitment our teachers and members of the community put into the school to provide opportunities for all children. These opportunities are continuing to grow with middle school indoor soccer proving to be very popular at the moment and auditions taking place for our school band!

Parent Conversations

Now that we are at level one we are looking forward to welcoming you back to our classrooms.

Please take the time to book in a meeting with your child's teacher.

We are holding the meetings during week 12- on the 29th of June, 30th of June and 1st of July.

To book please go to:

<http://schoolinterviews.co.nz>

Enter this code:

VANQA

Bookings close 4pm this Friday 26th June.

Visit from Principals from Wellington

It was fantastic to have the opportunity to have a group of principals from Wellington visit KNS this week. The major focus of the visit was the opportunity to share the story of our curriculum development- designed to engage our diverse, unique community.



Knighton Normal School Free App

Please download our free App on an iPhone or Android device by going to:

<http://onelink.to/mnfdrg> or search Knighton Normal School at the App Store or Play Store.

App Features:



- Direct dial/email absences.
- Subscribe to and receive timely alerts from different school groups.
- View and add school events to your phone's calendar.
- Receive advice of school notices to your phone.

Absences

Please notify the school **office** not your child's teacher if your child is absent from school. Please tell us your child's name, room number and the reason for their absence. If the absence is for more than one day please also advise this in your message. If a child is absent from school without notification, they may be made truant.

There are several options for an absentee notification:

- School App: <http://onelink.to/mnfdrg>
- Phone (07) 856 5393 (voicemail)
- Text 027 352 2089

Lateness

Children arriving at school late (even by a few minutes) must come to the Smiley Window to be signed-in electronically by the office staff. Children will be asked why they are late and their reasons will be entered into this system.

Leaving School Early

All children are expected to be in class until 3pm unless there is a special reason for leaving early.

If you are taking your child away from school prior to 3pm, please sign them out at the **office** before going to your child's class.

Berkley Information Evening

Term 3 Week 3 – Wednesday 5 August.



All families are invited to this event, which aims to provide parents and students with information about teaching and learning at Berkley.



A school holiday programme operates from the school hall each holiday period. Bookings can be made for the holiday programme at kasp.aimyplus.com

For further information about the Holiday Programme, please contact: Jacqui Baird on 021 819 111 or email her at supervisorhp@kasp.co.nz

Community Holiday Programmes

- **Kelly Sports** – 6 th to 17 th July 2020
Take the kids along to have a fun filled time with the awesome staff at Kelly Sports. Loads of fantastic activities are planned.
*Hamilton Girls' High, Southwell, Te Totara,
and Leamington Schools
We are OSCAR/WINZ Approved*
- **LinkU2** –
www.linku2schoolholidays.co.nz
- **YMCA** – Winter Wonderland, Movie Day, Extreme Edge Climbing, Minute to Win it, YMCA's got Talent, Cat in the Hat baking activities to name just a few!
Check it out at
ymca-akl-ham-bop.aimyplus.com
- **Hamilton City Gymnastics** – Our days include Movie Day, Winter Mosaics, Lego art and much more . Visit www.hamcitygym.com to book.
- **Edventure** – Check out the range of different programmes on their website. www.edventure.co.nz

Ngā mihi nui

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