

30 July 2019

Kia ora/Greetings



### School Value focus- Respect

*Respect underpins every interaction at Knighton.*

As staff members we believe it is our responsibility to model respect. Some important areas that we coach children through are:

- Understanding the power of manners and respecting your elders.
- Where all voices are heard.
- Respect for self, others and the environment.
- Having empathy for others.
- We have the opportunity to make someone's day with what we say and do.
- Equity for all.
- Valuing yourself and others.
- The power of active listening.

### Room 14a

This week Anne Hoare started a Year 1 class in Room 14a. This classroom is in our library space as we wait for the Ministry of Education to properly fund our school for the children we have in it. Teachers will still be able to issue books for the classroom, though children will not be able to take books themselves or use the library at lunchtimes.

### Funding Review - We need your help

Funding of primary schools is still being based on information from 2013. We believe that Knighton Normal is not being funded correctly and need you, our community to support our teachers and children. We will be sending home a survey that we need ALL our community to complete and return. We are happy to support any family in completing the forms.

### Board of Trustees walkthrough

Our full Board of Trustees made themselves available last Thursday to join our full staff for morning tea and a guided walk through the school.

It was great to walk through a range of classes and observe programmes that the school operates. We also discussed the property challenges that lie ahead for the school.

The next BOT Meeting is next Monday at 6:00pm in Meeting Room One.

### Hillcrest Playground

On Saturday Te Hihiri supported the official opening of the new playground next to the Hillcrest shops near the Hillcrest cycle track by running a sausage sizzle. It is fantastic to finally see the council investing in the Hillcrest area. Knighton is working with Project Energise and a range of potential sponsors to purchase bikes and construct a storage area so that we can utilise the velodrome and pump track area. Exciting times ahead!



### Primary/Intermediate Principals Update

This update is from NZEI - Primary/Intermediate schools' union.

Primary/Intermediate school principals will be looking at ramping up their collective action if a fair settlement offer from the Ministry is not forthcoming.

School principals stood strong for a fair settlement for teachers and now it's time for school communities to show support for our principals.

We need primary tumuaki/principals to have parity with their secondary colleagues. It's simply a matter of fairness.

NZEI are planning a national Day of Support on Friday 9 August, join us in wearing green to show your support.

You can also sign a community-initiated petition supporting a fair settlement for primary principals at this link: <https://www.change.org/p/we-back-the-principals>



Green  
Day



### PHOTOLIFE PHOTOS

They've arrived! Photos ordered before the cut off date for free delivery to school, will be sent home with children today. If you believe you have ordered and paid for your photos and have not received them please firstly check with the class teacher, then if they are not in class contact Photolife directly on Ph: 0800 501 040.

### Peachgrove Open Day

Peachgrove Intermediate will be holding an Open Day for Year 6 students only, on Monday 12 August, 9:00am-12:30pm. Year 6 students will travel together to and from school accompanied by senior teachers.

### Safety on Knighton Road

Please do not use the school driveway to turn or pick up children - there is a chain up over the driveway and having cars in the drive blocks the view for our patrollers. Remember that the Baptist Church car park near the Clyde St roundabout is available - why not plan on meeting your child there?



### Community Notices

- **St Paul's Collegiate School** is presenting their annual celebration of music - Good Vibrations. Featuring an array of music styles from solo instrumentalists, choir and rock bands to vocalists, big band and concert band. Friday 9 August, 7pm. Tickets - Adults \$20, Students and Seniors \$10 at: [www.stpauls.school.nz/tickets](http://www.stpauls.school.nz/tickets)
- **Fusion Marching Club** is looking for new members to: "GIVE MARCHING A GO" at Peachgrove Intermediate on Saturday's for pre season training. The following age groups are looking for a few more members:
  - Open Free Choice: 5 years to 7years (Non-Competitive) – 10.30 -11.30am
  - Under 12: 8 years to 12 years (Competitive) – 1pm – 4pm
  - Over 30+: Looking for interest to form a team.Marching is a gentle non-conflict sport which offers fitness, friendships for life, fun learning to music, and the opportunity to travel. If you would like to join Fusion Marching Club please contact Michelle on mob:021376288 or email: [Fusion.marching.club@gmail.com](mailto:Fusion.marching.club@gmail.com)
- **Hamilton BMX** run their club nights every Wednesday (weather permitting) starting 21 August. Register at their clubrooms at Minogue Park, Moore St from 5:15pm, all riders must be fully covered e.g. long pants, long sleeve top, covered shoes (they have gloves). For new riders the first 3 club nights are FREE to register and bike & helmet hire available \$2 per item. Most new riders use their own bike to start with as long as the bike has no stand, pegs etc... for safety reasons. **OPEN DAY:** 25 August, 11am-2pm. Visit: [www.hamiltonbmx.co.nz](http://www.hamiltonbmx.co.nz) or email: [hamiltonbmx@xtra.co.nz](mailto:hamiltonbmx@xtra.co.nz)
- **Spanish Lessons** - Amber Baumberger offers "El Club Español" with Fun Languages NZ, on a Saturday at Hillcrest Baptist Church for 2 to 12 year olds. She is offering to give the students from Knighton the opportunity to come along for a free trial class. Email: [amber@lcfclubs.co.nz](mailto:amber@lcfclubs.co.nz)



Regards  
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