

Kia ora/Greetings



Our student councillors are encouraging all children to wear something red on FRIDAY for Red nose day and bring along a gold coin donation.

This is to raise awareness for the Cure Kids Foundation.

In place of red noses this year, there has been an app created that you can download at home and try on a virtual red nose instead.

<https://rednoseday.co.nz/> to get your filter.

Gold Coin donations can be given to the class teachers.

Road Patrol

The team at Hamilton City Council put together a video with road patrollers from KNS and Silverdale Normal School recently. During this video they highlight how adults can help make their job easier and therefore keep your children safe. Check it out:

<https://www.facebook.com/watch/?v=1400369807020737>

Shirley Collins

Last week we were fortunate to have Shirley Collins visit the school to continue her support with our Mathematics programme. It is great to have a facilitator to help us consider next steps for your teacher and school direction.

Te Ahu Graduates

Congratulations to the latest cohort of our staff that have graduated from the Te Ahu O Te Reo programme. This group has negotiated face to face and online learning and remained absolutely committed to improving their understanding of Māori language and culture.

He aha te kai o te rangatira. He korero, he korero, he korero.

Keeping Ourselves Safe

This term, one of our learning focuses will be on strategies we can use to keep ourselves safe.

We welcome all whānau to attend our KOS parent meeting that will be held on Tuesday 11 August at 2.15pm in the staffroom.

The Keeping Ourselves Safe programme helps children and young people learn and apply a range of safety skills that they can use when interacting with others.

You can find out more at the NZ Police website below:

Years 0-3

<https://www.police.govt.nz/advice/personal-and-community-advice/school-portal/resources/successful-relationships/kos-0-3>

Years 4-6

<https://www.police.govt.nz/advice/personal-and-community-advice/school-portal/resources/successful-relationships/kos-4-6>

If you are aware of the content before it is taught, you can be prepared for questions your child may ask.

*The lessons are taught by classroom teachers, but our new School Community Constable Thomas Pearce will also be in school supporting teachers.

Taku Wairua Programme

This week 26 of our senior students began a pilot programme of Taku Wairua organised by 'The Water Boy'. The 'Taku Wairua' programme is based on four themes- belonging, self discovery, goal setting and citizenship. Last week we were fortunate to be visited by Ross Taylor- he talked to the group about the challenges he has faced in his career, what inspires him and goals he has set for this season. What a great way to start new learning!

PEACHGROVE INTERMEDIATE OPEN DAY

Peachgrove Intermediate School has invited **all** our **Year 6** pupils to visit their school from 9:30am – 12:30pm on **Monday 10th of August**. During this time, they will see and experience some class programmes in action. Transport is by bus (organised by Peachgrove) so there is no charge for our children. **As the bus will be departing just after 9am on Monday, please make sure your child is at school on time.** Children can return their permission form to their classroom teacher. If you prefer, you may email your child's teacher directly with your consent or contact them on classdojo or seesaw. All year 6's are welcome to attend, even if your child is thinking of going to another intermediate school next year.



Tūtaki, Kio nārama ki te manaaki

Reading Together sessions this term!

Do you want to know how you can help your children with reading?



Come along to the Reading Together workshops.

Reading Together will help you to help your children to become readers who understand what they are reading.

Workshops will be held on Wednesday the 5th August, 12th of August and 19th August from 2-2.45pm. Workshops will be held in the Knighton School 'Literacy Centre.'

There are limited places.

See your teacher or Carmen Johnstone (cjohnstone@kns.ac.nz) in Room 16, for more information.



Attendance

Make sure your child is at school by 8.45am. Being on time is a major thing you can do to ensure they succeed. Lateness is an issue that can have a huge impact on your child's success and fun at school.

Sports Cancellations

Decisions are made by 2pm each day and a message will be put on our answer phone: 8565393 after 2pm.

Sometimes, if we have had a lot of rain, our school grounds are closed even if the weather is fine. Coaches also cancel practices from time to time and these messages will also be on the answer phone if coaches advise us before 2pm.

If you have our app and have chosen the correct sports group for your child/ren, then you will receive an alert regarding cancellations.

The office staff appreciate you checking the right channels before calling our main line.



Library books

If you still have a library book at home, please bring it to the smiley face window where there is a box for these to be returned.

Ngā mihi nui

**Stuart Armistead
Principal**