



This year's  
Shake Out.  
**9.30am on  
Thursday  
15th October**

We will be participating here at school in our classrooms.

### Term Dates 2021

**Term 1** 4 Feb - 16 April

*(Teacher Only Days 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> of February)*

**Term 2** 3 May - 9 July

**Term 3** 26 July - 1 October

**Term 4** 18 Oct - 14 December

### Kia ora/Greetings

It is fantastic to welcome our amazing children back to term four! We are looking forward to an amazing term.

This term is an action packed term. We are sending home a list of Important Term 4 Dates with children today, please keep it somewhere handy for easy reference.

### Term Four Knighton Way Focus

Yesterday I spoke to the boys and girls about confidence, the Knighton Way focus for this term. Confidence is an essential disposition to have for success in life, it comes from a sense of knowing about what makes you special. At Knighton we want our children to find their strengths, talents and passions. Confidence can look like asking questions when you are unsure, giving new things a go and making the right choice in difficult situations. As you will see from our term events there are plenty of opportunities for children to try a new sport or activity.

David Galbraith, psychologist for The Chiefs talks about the word courage (closely linked to confidence) as being the most important emotion that you can control in your life to unleash your mind and achieve your potential.



### Pool Open

Thanks to our fantastic caretaker the school pool is ready to swim in! Please make sure that you are aware of when your child will begin swimming and pack their named swimsuits and towel in a waterproof bag with their names! We live on an island . . . it is essential our children are taught water safety skills - please support our school's programme!

### Road Safety - try something different!

With the weather improving why not plan on meeting your child at an agreed place. This could be the Baptist church car park at the end of Knighton Road or the Deer Stalkers car park on Wairere.



Your children learn some independence, gain some exercise and you avoid the traffic by the school gate.

### Play Time at Knighton

The 'Knighton Kids Play Time' sessions for enrolled preschoolers, has resumed.

Playtime @ Knighton is on Thursday afternoons from 1.45 to 2.45pm.  
Remember to sign in at the office.

If your child is starting next term and you would like to organise a preschool visit, please contact [ahoare@kns.ac.nz](mailto:ahoare@kns.ac.nz) to arrange.

### Pink Shirt Day 2020 - Friday 16 October.



**Wear something pink and bring a gold coin donation.**

**Every dollar raised will help us to provide free Pink Shirt Day activities, resources, merchandise**

**and workshops to help make our schools safe and inclusive for everyone.**

## Parent Survey

Today the newsletter has come home with our annual parent survey. We use the results of this survey to review our performance and inform next steps for the school. This year there are many ways for you to have your say:

- Fill in the paper form and return to the office.
- Complete the online form (available from the school's Facebook page).
- Come to one of the planned mornings or afternoons to discuss the survey.
- If English is not your first language we are going to have meetings where a translator may be available. These dates and times will be shared soon.



## Showquest

We are immensely proud of our Showquest crew who placed 3rd in the Waikato Junior section of Showquest on Screen. Their film 'Arohanui Aotearoa' was about getting through lockdown and returning to school after. Here are Sadie, Bella and Harper holding

our trophy and certificates which we received yesterday. Extra congratulations to Bella who was awarded the Creative Leader Award for our crew.

Kia pai mai hoki e te whaanau! Paia!

-Ms A

## Peanut allergy



We have children at our school with severe allergies to nuts. It would be helpful if you could keep their allergies in mind when preparing morning tea and

lunch for your child. We appreciate your support with this matter.

*If your child has allergies that we are unaware of please let your child's teacher and office staff know immediately.*

## Sam and His Farmyard Friends



The Year 1 classes are getting a visit from Sam and His Farmyard Friends next Tuesday 20 October.

Our children will have the opportunity to learn about the

animals through listening, touching and observing them. They will even get to ride the pony!

## Hats



Knighton School Hats are compulsory in Terms 4 and 1.

Your child will be sent to sit under some shade if they don't have a hat.

These can be purchased online through [my kindo](#) and are **now \$10**.

You may also come into the office to purchase them by eftpos or cash.

## The Gymnastic Academy

Term 4 registrations are now open. This is held at school in the Hall 12:30pm - 1:15pm. For more information -

**Call Marie** on 0211 705 426 or visit their website, [www.gymnasticacademy.com](http://www.gymnasticacademy.com)



**Cricket** registration forms went home yesterday and are due back **with** payment by **Friday 16th October**.

**Ngā mihi nui**  
**Stuart Armistead**  
**Principal**