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Kia ora e te whānau.

A warm welcome back! It is so nice to know we have a full term ahead of us and it looks like it will be a very busy one.

Our Knighton Way focus this term is persistence. Throughout the term students will have specific activities that will be challenging as well as continuously being encouraged to try their best, give things a go and not give up. It would be great if this language was also used at home.

We are super excited to have our middle school production 'Can you Feel it?' in week 5. In preparation for this we will be learning new waiata, dances, and designing and creating costumes. In the second half of the term, there will be a focus on technology involving innovation and design.

### **Cross-Country practice**

In preparation for our school cross-country (27th August, Friday week 5), we will be training each day (dependent on weather). Children are advised to wear the correct clothing and appropriate footwear (if required). It would be great if children could also bring a named drink bottle to keep in the classroom.



# **Change of Clothing**

We have already had a few cases where children have slipped over and ended up with wet clothing. There is not enough clothing at the office for children so <u>please</u> ensure your child has a change of clothes in their bag. Children prefer to wear their own clothing.

#### **Tissues**

As the winter months are upon us, our number of tissue boxes are dwindling. It would be great if you donate a box to keep our class nice and healthy.



### Home learning

Just a friendly reminder about the importance of reading with your child each day, research suggests the more words your child reads the more confident they will be when reading.

## **Key Dates**

- Red Nose Day 30th July (This Friday)
- Middle school production 24th-26th August. Shows at 11:30 a.m and 6:30 p.m. (week 5)
- School Cross Country 27th August (Friday, week 5)
- Teacher only day 3rd September (Friday, week 6)
- Te wiki o te reo Māori (Māori Language week)- 13th-17th September (week 8).

If you have any questions or queries at any time please do not hesitate to come in and see me. If this is not possible, you can phone our office and leave a message for me to contact you or you are most welcome to email me (this is often the easiest way) at <a href="mailto:ccottingham@kns.ac.nz">ccottingham@kns.ac.nz</a>

Ngā mihi,

Chrissy Cottingham