



It was wonderful to complete our first full week back last week with the children. It's amazing how quickly the feeling of 'normality' comes back in terms of school life. The children are enjoying being back with one another and we are endeavouring to put together some fun 'end of year' activities albeit in a slightly different format.

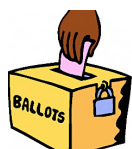
As you will be aware, New Zealand is moving the Covid Protection Framework (or Traffic Light System) this Friday. The Ministry of Education has advised all schools that we (the school) will continue to operate at our current setting which is Alert Level 2 regardless of our traffic light status.

Next week, I will let you know details around our 2022 staff and the classrooms they will be working in.

Have a great rest of the week.

### Out of Zone Enrolments

The Board of Trustees is looking to accommodate siblings of existing students who are out of zone. If you have a child in this situation please go to our website, download and fill in the form, or come to the office to complete the application.



The next ballot will be held on **2nd December 2021**. Applications must be received by 1st December.



Tomorrow the **Senior school** will be having a day of water-filled fun, activities, games, arts and crafts.

**TOMORROW**

Bring togs, towel, a good lunch, a drink bottle that is filled with water, and your manners.

### Level Two- Covid

Please continue to reinforce messages about hygiene practices with your children. Practising good hand and sneeze/cough hygiene is the best defence:

- wash your hands often with soap and water before and after eating as well as after attending the toilet
- cover coughs and sneezes with your elbow

Encourage students to stay home if unwell.

**There is no reason to keep your child home if they *are* well!**

### Covid App

Are you coming into the school grounds at level two? Make this easier for yourself and our staff by downloading the Ministry's Covid App.

<https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=nz.govt.health.covidtracer> or <https://apps.apple.com/nz/app/id1511667597>

You then simply have to scan the QR code rather than having to record your details.



### Sports Uniforms

All sports uniforms must be returned to the Smiley Face office as soon as possible please! Some of these have been outstanding since Term 1.

## Whole school Fun Run - Wednesday, 8 December

The students will get to run, jump, hop, skip, crawl, and clap their way around our fun run course. All classes are taking part in this at various times throughout the morning blocks.

*Please note that because of the current situation with Covid-19, we will not have parents attending this event.*



### Lost Property

There is lost property outside Mrs Cowie's office. Please come and claim your children's clothing. Named items can be returned to children but unfortunately most of the clothing that is lost is unnamed.

*Please name your child's clothing, shoes, togs and towels!*

### Library Books and Readers

All books are now due back at school.

Please have a good look at home for any overdue books and return them to the box at the Smiley Face window.



### Road Safety - try something different!

With the beautiful weather we are having, 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, the Deer Stalkers car park on Wairere Drive or just further down the road.

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



## Super Smash Cricket

Hamilton Cricket are holding an In School Super Smash Festival here at KNS for the year 4,5 & 6 students on Thursday 2nd December. A notice should have gone home yesterday to the children who showed interest in this.



### 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](https://www.mykindo.co.nz/) and are **now \$10**.

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

## Community

### Coding NZ -

Coding NZ's lessons empower students with the tools they could use to be successful in our increasingly digital age. Extend your child's awareness and horizons.

Free trial lessons available now at [codingnz.com/signup](https://codingnz.com/signup)

### Term 1 Gymnastic Academy

The Gymnastic Academy offers a recreational gymnastics and tumbling program at lunchtime **in** the school hall for beginner and advanced level students.

Please contact Marie 0211705426 to register or visit [www.thegymnasticacademy.com](http://www.thegymnasticacademy.com)

### Kelly Sports holiday programme -

15th - 24th December

5th-28th January

Take the kids along to have a fun filled time with the awesome staff at Kelly Sports. Loads of fantastic activities are planned.

*OSCAR/WINZ Approved*

**Andrew Campbell**

**Principal**