

School closes at **1:00pm** next
Tuesday 14 December

Thank you and happy holidays!



It is hard to believe that 2021 is coming to an end. It only seems like yesterday that I arrived back at Knighton Normal School as the new Principal after eight years away. While it has certainly been a disruptive second half to the year, with lockdowns and different alert levels, I have thoroughly enjoyed my time back here.

This school is very special and unique. It is one of the most, if not the most, diverse primary schools in New Zealand. This is something to be celebrated. The time I have spent in and around the school has reminded me of how respectful, kind and appreciative the children are here and how committed, energetic and skilled all of our staff are.

I am really looking forward to 2022 and all that it will bring.



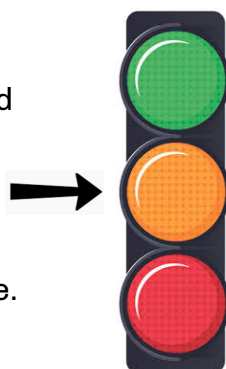
Middle school Fun Day

The middle School classes will be having their Fun Day of team building activities tomorrow, Wednesday 8th December. The activities will take place from 11am and include a swim in the pool.

Your child will need their togs, towel, sunscreen and an extra snack in their lunch box.

End of year assemblies

Due to operating within the Covid traffic light system 'Orange', we are not able to have family/caregivers attend the end of year assemblies this year. We will miss your presence.



Staff for 2022

In 2022 we welcome back Katie McLean and Jacki Paea from their study leave. Jacki will return to teaching Year 2 in Room 7 and Katie will teach Year 3/4 in Room 10.

Next week we farewell Marnie Heng, Stephen Shirley and Georgia Clansey who have all finished their fixed term contracts. Marnie will be working at Hukanui School starting 2022. We will also be farewell Anne Hoare from her position of New Entrant/Year One teacher and team leader for the Year One team. I have worked with Anne for many years and have a tremendous amount of respect for her. She has had a significant impact on both the Junior Team and the school over the many years. Anne will be semi-retiring from teaching and will return to Knighton Normal School as a roll growth teacher part way through next year. Renee Downey will be stepping into an Acting Team Leader role for the Year One team.

Josef Holm has accepted a contract to coach hockey in Germany next March. While we're sad to say good bye to Josef, we are thrilled that he has been given this opportunity. Josef will be in school for the first couple of weeks in 2022 doing work around different classes.

We will also be farewell Amy Rogers and Peter Robinson who will be finishing their fixed term contracts as Learning Assistants at the end of the year. Ringi Te Hira will be leaving her position as Kaiawhina in Te Hihiri and Kapa Haka tutor and moving to a new position at Hamilton West School. Ringi will be replaced by Whaea Kiara Paul.

Classes for 2022

Notices advising your child's class for 2022 will be sent home this Friday along with the end of year reports.

At 10:10am, on the last day of school this year, 14 December, students will be visiting their new 2022 classes so they know where to go on the first day of term one next year - 3rd February.

Teaching Staff 2022

Year 5/6

Room 5 Nicole Antoniadis
Room 27 Deb Wilson
Room 28 David Hannah
Room 29 Deb Forrester
Room 30 Whakarongo Tauranga
Room 31 James Penman
Room 32 Briar Lynch

Year 3/4

Room 2 Pauline Gardener-Ward
Room 3 Lorna Kennedy
Room 4 Chrissy Cottingham
Room 10 Katie McLean
Room 11 Grant Miller
Room 12 Danielle Brydon
Room 13 Jackie Simpson

Year Two

Room 1 Stephanie Wilkinson (Yr 2/3)
Room 6 Karen Walshe
Room 7 Jacki Paea
Room 8 Jo Lelieveld
Room 9 Vicki Bigham

New Entrant / Year One

Room 14 Renee Downey
Room 15 Keirryn Hintz
Room 16 Carmen Johnstone
Room 17 Kim Sargent
Room 18 Chiara Kurnaz and Tere Chesham (Year One)
Room 25 John Brooker (Year One)

Te Hihiri

Room 21 Natasha Searancke
Room 22 Mihi Waaka
Room 24 Waitaarere Sa

Special Programmes

Diane Cooper - ESOL
Jocelyn Broom- Reading Recovery, ORS and Literacy Centre
Clare Delany – Reading Recovery, ORS and Literacy Centre
Megan Bevan- Reading Recovery, ORS
Lyndal Roche- Special programmes; teacher release

Other Teacher Release

Catherine Daniels Vin Prakash
Regan Watson Terry Cameron
Renee Lisignoli

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Uniforms

All sports uniforms must be returned to the smiley face office before the end of term please!

Library Books and Readers

All books are now due back at school. There is a box at the smiley face window for these to be returned this week please.



Holiday Programmes:



Reminder that bookings are now open for the January holidays . For more info, email

supervisorhp@kasp.co.nz

Or book now at kasp.aimyplus.com

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Principal