

WEEK 8

Term Dates:

Term One : 3rd February to 14th April

Term Two : 2nd May - 8th July

Term Three : 25th July - 30th September.

Term Four : 17th October- 16th December

Kia ora/Greetings

It's hard to believe we're already into Week 8 of this term. While it's certainly been a disruptive term with Covid, it's been great that we've been able to keep school open for those children who have been able to make it. Children thrive on routine and connection.

You will be aware that much is being said in the media about the low rates of literacy, across the Motu at the moment. There is no doubt that Covid, and the irregular school attendance that comes with it, has amplified this over the last few years. As a school, we are very focused on lifting the literacy rates of our children and will continue to do so in a 'post-covid' environment. Our Year One team is part of the 'Better Start' Literacy Programme run by the University of Canterbury. This programme has been running in New Zealand schools since 2015 and is having significant success with raising literacy levels of students. We are also targeting professional development right through the school in the explicit teaching of literacy skills. Along with this, our wonderful Literacy Centre continues to provide quality daily literacy opportunities for around sixty of our tamariki.

Free Sanitary Products in Schools

Knighton School is part of the government's Free Period Products in Schools programme.

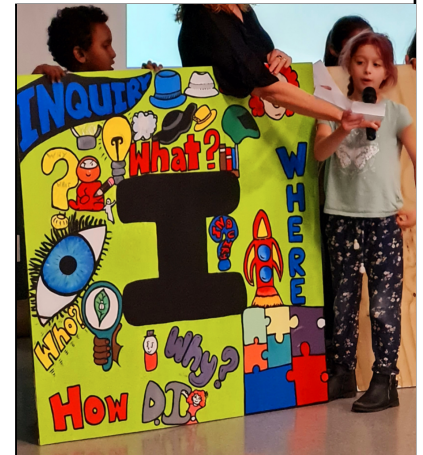
If you would like your Knighton student to receive free sanitary pads please contact your child's class teacher, someone at the office or a preferred staff member. Then, at the beginning of each month, we can give your Knighton child a supply of free sanitary pads.

Knighton Murals



Over the next few weeks the Knighton murals will be going up around the hard court area. Each letter has its own special

meaning and represents something that is important to Knighton kids. We will be filming the children sharing these reasons and will put a QR code in each newsletter along with a photo of each mural. A big thanks to Simone Ishinabe who gave up her time to come in and help us work with the mural children and for the huge part she played in this project last year.



Mrs. GW and Ms. A.



music house

music lessons at your school!

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guitar, bass, drums



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Knighton Junior Football Club

Still has some places available in their teams. If you missed the registration day please contact Stephan Hine on 027 472 6141 or at stephenhine@actrix.co.nz.

Out of Zone Enrolments

The Board of Trustees is looking to accommodate siblings of existing students who are living out of our enrollment 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 **31st March 2022**. Applications must be received by 30th March for any children due to start in term 2.

Please note: We will not be enrolling students from out of zone unless they have a sibling here and have gone through the ballot process.

Spare Clothing

With the rainy weather now upon us and as we have very limited spare clothing available for children, we suggest you keep a change of clothes in your child's school bag in a waterproof plastic bag. Please make sure ALL your children's clothing is named so it can be returned to them if they misplace it.

If your child comes home with clothes borrowed from school please wash and return them as soon as possible.



Do you have time to volunteer?



The Kick Start breakfast club is on week mornings between 8:30 - 8:55am.

Children receive a free breakfast of Weet-bix and milk to ensure the best possible start to their day. We currently need some amazing adult volunteers to support this initiative.

Please contact the office if you are able to help one or more mornings per week between 8:20-9:00am. knighton@kns.ac.nz



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