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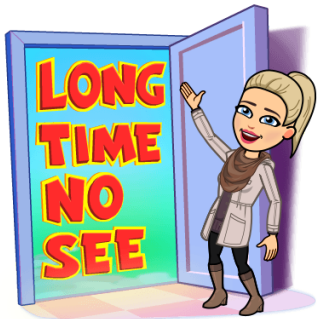
Tuesday 18th October 2022

Kia ora e te whānau,

Welcome back! I hope everyone had an amazing break and is ready to get back in the full swing of kura, I certainly am! Term 4 is going to be very busy but is guaranteed to be filled with lots of fun learning experiences.

### **Student Teacher**

We have Katie-Leigh Sale joining us all the way from Perth, Australia. She will be here for four weeks beginning week 4 (7th November).



### **Concept Learning**

We have our trip to visit Sanctuary Mountain Maungatautari in week 2 (Wednesday 26th October). It is great we can still attend! If you are still able to help please let me know, or additionally if you can now help we would be grateful to have more whānau helping us on this day.

Reminder: There is **no cost** to families for this trip.

Our concept unit for this term is 'The Hall of Fame' which will focus on heroes and heroines in Aotearoa. New Zealanders who dared to stand out, stand up and take a stand for the greater good. We will also look at who these people might be in our local community.



### **Athletics**

Middle School athletic rotations begin in Week 5, due to classes attending Maungatauri. Our rotations will be on Monday and Wednesday. These are to practise the skills ready for our Athletics morning- Thursday 8th December (9:30-12:30). Please encourage your children to wear clothing that is easy to move around in, as well as having a drink bottle in class

### **Swimming- Wednesday and Friday**

Please help your child to remember their togs and towel in a named plastic bag or swimming bag. Encourage your child to wear named clothes they find easy to change in and out of. It is a good idea for girls with long hair to have their hair tied back. Swimming is an important part of our Health and P.E. curriculum.

If your child is unable to swim for any reason please email me, message me through Dojo, send a written note or pop in and let me know.



### **Hats**

As summer approaches hats must be worn this term. If your child needs a new hat, one can be purchased via Kindo or the school office for \$10. If your child does not have a school hat, they will only be able to play in our shady playpod area during morning tea and lunch breaks.





## **Brain Break Kai**

During the first block, we stop at around 10 for a brain break. Children are encouraged to get a healthy snack if possible i.e. fruit, vegetables, cheese etc and have an inu (drink of water).

### **Key Dates**

- Maungatautari visit (week 2- Wednesday 2nd November).
- Middle School Athletic day 9-12:30 (week 8- Thursday 8th December)
- End of year reports go home (week 9-Wednesday 14th December)
- Middle School final assembly (week 9- Thursday 15th December)
- Meet and Greet Classes for 2023 (week 9-Friday 16th December)

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 [ccottingham@kns.ac.nz](mailto:ccottingham@kns.ac.nz)

Ngā mihi,  
Chrissy Cottingham