

# Newsletter 13

22nd August 2023

A huge thank you to the Middle School team of staff and children for putting on an outstanding production of "Kapai's Kiwi Adventure" last week. As you can imagine, a lot of time and effort went into this. It was a special event for us as we haven't been able to do this kind of thing for quite a few years. School productions are part of our Arts Curriculum and are an ideal opportunity for our children to grow and develop their Knighton Way dispositions of Mahi Tahī/Getting Along, Whakarite/Being Organised, Whaikaha/Being Persistent, Maiatanga/Being Confident, and Kairapu/Being an Inquirer. For some of our children, school productions are a time when they can shine as it's something they love doing. This is great! For some other children, school productions can be a time when they feel out of their comfort zone and a little (or not so little) anxious. This is where we teach our children what it means to be confident and just give things a go without fear of failure. This is a very important and 'enabling' character for children to learn early in their life.

## Senior School Production 'A Night in (Knighton) the Museum'

The immensely talented senior school tamariki/students will be entertaining audiences in the school Hall **4-7 September**.

What the story is about:

The senior kaiako/teachers decide to plan a trip to the museum to learn about aspects of world history.

The children, with their usual bunch of characters (and a bossy kaiako), discover how magical, fascinating, scary and wonderful history can be when the exhibits they visit come to life.

Pompeii, the Māori Battalion, the birth of Rock (music), Greenpeace and the Rainbow Warrior, the falling of the Berlin Wall, and the great Muhammad Ali all feature in this amazing trip through time.

Tickets will go on sale soon.  
See you there 😊

### Is your bike ready to ride?

Bring your bike  
in for a free tyre,  
brake and chain  
safety check.



Waimarie  
Hamilton East  
Community House

19 August 2023  
10am - 1pm

24 August 2023  
1.30 - 4.30pm

## Maths Challenge Stories by Room 10 Students

"It was wiki pāngarau/maths week and Mrs Lellieveld set us a challenge! Each class got given paper to make the longest paper chains, then we visited Room 9 and worked together to complete some maths activities with all those beautifully coloured paper chains!"

"My favourite part was working out how long the red paper chain was. I had to figure out how big of a step I had to take to make sure it was 1 metre and then I took 6 steps across the length of the red chain which meant it was 6 metres. Then I counted the chain was 14 lengths long, so to work out the final answer I solved out  $6 \times 14$  using an algorithm which equals 84 metres." - **Dru**

"We worked in groups and had to figure out how to measure the red paper chain. My favourite part was having to add all the classes' lengths up to find the total length." - **Marwa**

"I liked counting how many paper chains there were and trying to find all of the classes lengths." - **Faisa**



## "Kapai's Kiwi Adventures"



Last week, the middle school children performed their production "Kapai's Kiwi Adventures" for our school community and their families and friends. What an extravaganza! This was the result of a team effort and a lot of hard work! We are so proud of the effort and energy the children and staff put into the show to make it a success, we loved seeing the children perform with confidence and enthusiasm. A very special thanks to Ray Moxham, from Freedom Christian Church in Hamilton, who donated a significant amount of his own time and his equipment to set up a professional light and sound system for us. It added the extra special magic needed to make the production really come alive.

### **Enrolments for Peachgrove Intermediate**

Enrolments for 2024 officially close on 27 October however late enrolments will be considered. There are orientation days for students interested in:  
Bilingual class: 31 October from 9:00am - 11:00am  
GATE Class: 1 November from 12:30pm - 3:00pm  
Sports Class: 2 November from 9:00am - 11:00am  
Contact Peachgrove directly for more information:  
[www.peachgrove.school.nz](http://www.peachgrove.school.nz) or 07 855 7596

### **Enrolments for Berkley Normal Middle School**

All 2024 enrolments for Berkley Normal Middle School are due by 4.00pm on Friday 25 August 2023 - this includes both in-zone and out-of-zone enrolments. Out-of-zone enrolments must be received at the office by 25 August to be eligible for the enrolment ballot.  
Contact Berkley directly for more information:  
[berkley.school.nz](http://berkley.school.nz) or 07 856 6537



## Note your calendar

**Senior School Production: 4th - 7th Sept.**

Information regarding ticket sales will be sent out in the coming weeks.

**Wiki o Te Reo Māori/Māori Language Week**

11th - 17th September

**End of Term 3:** Friday, 22nd September



## Lost Property

Please come and look through the lost property outside Mrs Cowie's office regularly.

Named items can be returned to children but unfortunately most of the clothing that is lost by children is unnamed.

All unnamed belongings that are not claimed are donated to a second hand shop.

## Reminders

- **Head lice:** We have had ongoing cases of head lice in school. Please can you check your children's hair regularly, even after treatment.
- **Returning sports/event uniforms:** Please return Knighton uniforms from Term 1 & 2 if your child is no longer taking part in an activity this term.
- **Change of clothes:** Please make sure your child has a change of clothes in their school bag, they may get wet and muddy playing on the field in the break times, as well as occasional toileting accidents.

**Cross Country & Fun Run - tomorrow, 23rd August, starting at 9.30am the race order is:**

**Year 3's, Year 4's, Year 5's, Year 6's.**

**Following the Cross Country we break for morning tea and then regather with our classes for the "Fun Run" event. This is an open event where students from across the school run a circuit with several obstacles to go over, under, around and through. Whanau/Family are welcome to come and watch the racing. They are encouraged to join in with the Fun Run. Check with your teacher for Fun Run times.**

Ngā mihi nui

*Andrew Campbell*

Principal