



**KNIGHTON  
NORMAL SCHOOL**

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10 October, 2023,

Tēnā koutou e te whānau,

Haere mai ki te Kaupeka Tuawhā in Akomanga Rima,

We have a very full term ahead.

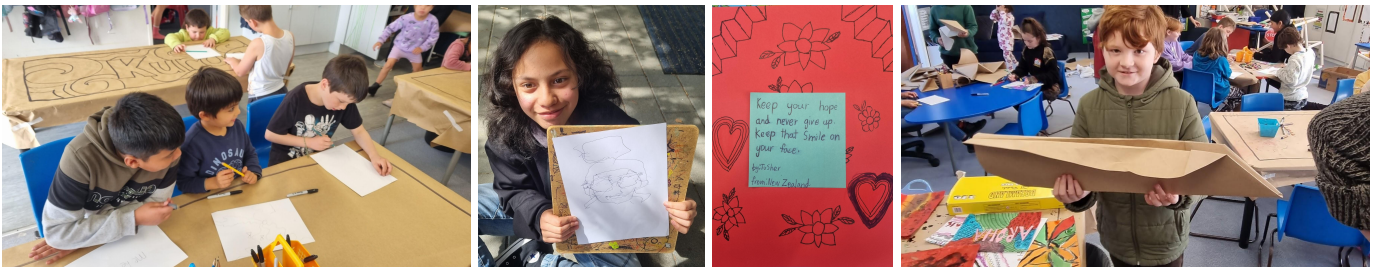
- In Week 2, people from the Hamilton City Council will be in to help us improve our bike skills and safety.
- In Week 3, we have St Johns coming to teach us all some basic first aid skills.
- In Week 5, we will be heading to the beach again for our Beach Ed day with the Surf Lifesavers at Wainui Beach in Raglan.
- Later in the term we have our three final assemblies, Year 6 disco and Senior Fun Day.
- Amongst that we have some workshops for our Year 6's to look at resilience in the lead up to their transition to intermediate next year. They will also have an opportunity to talk to Year 7s and 8s from Peachgrove and Berkley and ask any questions they may have about next year.

At the same time, our Year 5s will be developing their leadership and teamwork skills.



*Some of our Keith Haring inspired production art*

We will continue with our pānui (reading), focusing in on a classwide novel with targeted learning, our daily tuhituhi (writing) inspired by a variety of prompts, pāngarau (maths) in our cross-grouped PR1ME based maths classes, daily te reo Māori sessions, learning about the beach, learning about the history of Aotearoa, mahi toi (the arts) in action, kaukau (swimming)...and more.



*Some moments this term with our teina, writing to Hawaiian families who lost everything in the fires, and Taskmaster drawing with our feet!*

Please keep an eye on our class Seesaw for any notices that are coming home and extra reminders for upcoming events.. **It is very important that you are connected to this, as we try to share information with you in a timely manner, sometimes Seesaw will be the best and quickest way to get the information to you.** I also use Seesaw to share many of the great things that we do. If you are not already linked to the Akomanga Rima Seesaw, please contact me

[nantoniadis@kns.ac.nz](mailto:nantoniadis@kns.ac.nz) and I will send you a link via email. The site is safe, locked down and private and is only accessible to the people I share it with (our whānau).

Term 4 is a swimming term. We swim on Rātu (Tuesday) and Rāpare (Thursday) - the T days. It is important that you send your child to kura with their swim gear. Swimming is a part of our curriculum, it is not an optional activity. If your child is unable to swim on a particular day due to illness please send me a message on Seesaw, provide a note or email to let me know they are unable to swim that day.

### EXTRA SCHOOLWIDE NOTICES

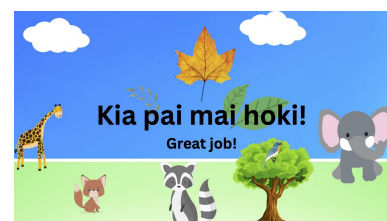
- To avoid office queues, and to ensure your **payments** are accounted for correctly, we encourage all families to pay school costs online through our Kindo shop. If you do not already have a Kindo account, go to [www.mykindo.co.nz](http://www.mykindo.co.nz) or via the link on our school website.
- Please help ensure your child has a change of clothes in their bag every day, just in case they are needed after messy (but fun) play!
- A reminder that a consent form must be filled in and left at the school office for any **medication** administered at school. A consent form can be downloaded from our website or collected from the office. All medication remains in the office for safekeeping during the day.
- We would prefer if your children kept their **cell phones** at home. However, if they need to bring it to school, please understand that it is your child's responsibility. They are welcome to keep them in their teacher's desk drawer, however the teacher is not responsible for them.
- **If your child is late please ensure they report straight to the Smiley Face door to get a late slip, even if they arrive just after the bell. If your child is absent please be sure to inform the school.**
- From 9:15am the only unlocked entry into the school is the front gate on Knighton Road. The school opens for children at 8.30am.
- We would love a collection of tissues for the classroom, if you are able to donate a box to our collection it would be highly appreciated.
- The school term calendar will be sent home soon. If you are wanting to access this online, along with copies of the weekly newsletter sent home every second Tuesday, please visit [www.kns.ac.nz](http://www.kns.ac.nz)



I try to check my emails and Seesaw throughout the day so please email me with any questions, concerns, or sharing great things your children are doing: [nantoniadis@kns.ac.nz](mailto:nantoniadis@kns.ac.nz) However, **if it is urgent it is best to contact the office and they will send a message.**

It's a very busy term, thank you in advance for your support. My door is always open, I look forward to seeing you.

Nga mihi nui,  
Nicole Antoniadis (Ms A or Whaea Nicole)



*Our kiwaha posters,  
created on Canva during  
Taskmaster in term 3*