

One of the great things about my job is that I get the chance to walk around the school and into classes on a daily basis and get to see all the wonderful and exciting learning that goes on. Last week I was spending time in the Junior Playground watching and observing the children play in their playtime. It was lovely watching all of the children interacting with each other and having fun with each other. Another thing I notice all the time out in the playground is children taking time out from their important games and activities to help other children who may be upset or lonely. Mahi Tahī/Getting Along is part of the Knighton Way along with Turangawaewae / Belonging. I believe schools are a great place for children to learn social skills.

Next week we will be celebrating Matariki Week. We're really looking forward to the week and the exciting activities that will be taking place. This is a really special week for our country and for our whānau.



Parent/Teacher Conversations

Parent/caregiver conversations will be held during the last week of this term on 1st, 2nd, 3rd July with class teachers and the Literacy Centre teacher.

Bookings are available on:

<https://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz/code/njfwb> ,

or you can book at the school office, from tomorrow 19th June until Thursday 27th June.

*If you are asked for a code online use: **njfwb**



Library Books

Due to the loss of thousands of dollars worth of books in 2023, and the current amount of overdue books, we will be doing a mid-year stocktake of the library.

Please return any library books your child has at home by June 26th.

Arbor Day



Ruud The Bugman

On Friday May 31st, a group of 50 Knighton Enviro kids and whānau attended the Waiwhakareke Arbor Day community planting. It was the 20th anniversary of this annual event. As a group we planted 400 trees (Yes that is not a typo and you read it right!). We had an amazing day with perfect weather and an awesome team of parents supporting us. Ruud The Bugman entertained us at the start with an informative session on insects, wowing the audience with the large native spiders and wetas that crawled over his face as he spoke.
Mrs Gardener Ward - Akomanga 2



Learning about pests that threaten our environment

Te Whatu Ora
Health New Zealand

Vision & Hearing Checks

Vision & Hearing Technicians will be visiting our school on **Monday 1st July**. The objective of the test is to identify previously undetected vision and hearing defects. If any parents/caregivers do not want their child to be checked, or their child is currently under specialist care for a vision or hearing defect, they should let the school know.

The technicians will check children who have not completed vision and hearing checks as part of their Before School Check, and children absent from previous visits or who require retests or follow up. All of these checks are non-invasive, safe and should cause no discomfort.



Wheels Day

The Student Council is having a Wheels Day on **Thursday 20 June** in the second break. This is just for fun so no need to bring any donation.

Tamariki must remember their helmet. They can bring scooters, skateboards, roller skates and roller blades but **NO** bikes because the court is too small for bikes.

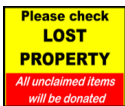
The Student Council

Senior Playpod

A huge thank you to Paul and his team from Armstrong Landscaping. They came in this week and dug a trench to create the boundary for our Senior Playpod. The tama/boys in our programme Tama tū - Tama ora worked hard to fill it before the rain set in.



Daemon, Herangi, Shaquille, Braxton, Kieran, Jordan, Hemi, & Zaviah working hard.



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.

Community Notices Intermediate School Information

Peachgrove Intermediate Open Day:

Monday 29th July 9:30am, 1:30pm and 7:00pm.

Enrolments are done online and submitted directly to the school.

Contact Peachgrove directly for more information 855 7596

Berkley Intermediate School:

Term 2

Week 10 - 2025 Prospectus/enrolment packs sent home.

Term 3

Week 2 - Information Evening Thursday 1 August.

Week 6 - ALL enrolment forms must be received at Berkley school office by 4pm Friday 30 August 2024.

Ballot for out-of-zone enrolments Wednesday 11 Sept.

Contact Berkley directly for more information 856 6537

Holiday Programmes

Join KASP (Knighton After School Programme) these school holidays for some fun activities in Hamilton and day trips in surrounding towns.

Registrations close 28 June - spaces will be limited so book early! Register and book on <https://kasp.aimyplus.com>

If you have questions contact the KASP team:

supervisor@kasp.co.nz or 022 642 0726

Kids School Holiday Sewing Workshops

Suitable for children 5 - 15 years.

Saturday 13th July - Sunday 14th July.

Morning sessions 9am - 12pm.

Afternoon sessions 1pm - 4pm.

Cost - \$65 per session (includes hot chocolate & a pastry)

Location - The Riverbank Lane Victoria Street.

Book at: sipandsewworkshopsnz.com

@sip_and_sew_workshops_nz



Note your calendar

24 - 28 June - Te Wiki O Matariki

25 June - Ki o Rahi Tournament

28 June - Matariki - **SCHOOL CLOSED**

1 July - Hearing & Vision Testing

1 - 3 July - Parent Conversations

5 July - 3:00pm - End of Term 2

SCHOOL CLOSED FOR HOLIDAYS

22 July - 9:00am - Term 3 starts

Ngā mihi nui

Andrew Campbell

Principal