



Last week we celebrated Te wiki o te reo Māori. As a school, we gathered together on Rāhina/Monday to say karakia and sing waiata as a way of starting our celebrations. Throughout the week, classes worked together on activities that celebrated and promoted this beautiful language that is unique to Aotearoa/New Zealand. The Purpose Statement in the Draft English Curriculum states, “Ko te reo tōku tuakiri, ko te reo tōku ahurei, ko te reo te ora, language is my identity; language is my uniqueness; language is life.” This is certainly something that resonates with us.

Term 3 is coming to a close and the warm weather is on its way. We've had another great term of learning and it's been wonderful walking around the school each day watching the children take part in school life. I hope you all manage to have some sort of a break and we look forward to seeing you back at the start of term 4.



For our Year 4 Whānau:

A reminder our puppet show The Lost kākāpō of Maungatautari Mountain is being performed this coming Thursday. We will have two shows, one at 9.30am and one at 12pm. Please check Dojo and respond to the message your child's teacher has sent to let us know if you will be attending. The Junior classes and siblings of Y4 children who are in the senior school will also be attending.



A new [Hamilton City Council initiative](#) starting in Term 4 week 2 is a promotion to start great habits given the weather will be a lot nicer. They want to encourage all families to get active and when possible park further away than school gates or come the entire journey on foot or wheels; the goal of this week is to create some behaviours they want to encourage every day.

On **Travel Together Tuesday, 22 October** there will be **'park and stride'**. Student Counsellors and an adult will be available at Hillcrest Baptist Church at the corner of Clyde Street & Knighton Road from **8.25 - 8.50am** to walk children down to the school gate.

We will also have **Wheels Wednesday, 23 October** in the **2nd 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

On Thursday 12 September we raised **\$253** for the Child Cancer Foundation during our Wacky Wheels Day. Ngā mihi nui/thank you to everyone who generously donated to such a wonderful cause.

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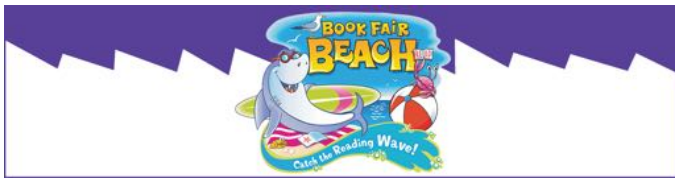


Lost Property

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.



Scholastic Book Fair

The Scholastic Book Fair will be at our school next term Monday 21st October- Thursday 24th October (wiki/week 2).

This is a special event that enables parents, caregivers and children to purchase quality books at reasonable prices, helping our school raise funds to add to our whare pukapuka/library.

Make a note in your diary:

SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR – 2024

Monday 21st October 12.30pm – 4.00pm

Tuesday 22nd October 8.30am – 4.00pm

Wednesday 23rd October 8.30am – 4.00pm

Thursday 24th October 8.30am – 1.30pm



Wednesday 23rd October

This is a chance for your tamariki to bring their favourite characters to life by dressing up - this is an optional activity.

There will be a parade and celebration from 9:15-10:00am and we are lucky to have a very special character visiting us. Everyone will sing a few waiata to celebrate this day.

Prizes for best dressed will be given to each class.

SPORT

Inter-Schools Cross Country

Congratulations to all our inter school cross country runners. They were fabulous and all of them showed what it means to be a cool Knighton Kid. The 2km course was very challenging with lots of hills, which most of our tamariki had never encountered in a race before. We were so proud of their determination, whaikaha (persistence) and manawaroa (resilience). Special congratulations to Miiya Cooper (3rd), Noah Cooper (7th) and Cheran Malla (14th) who finished in the top 20 runners in their respective races.

Miharo koutou!

Sport Uniforms

Thank you to everyone who has already returned their uniforms. If your child still has a uniform at home please return them to the office.



Tamariki who attended Inter-School Cross Country

Community Notices

Kids in Need Waikato is a Cambridge-based, Waikato-wide charity supporting tamariki in care, being raised by someone other than their parents. We put together care packs as well as provide support to the caregiver - you can find out more about our mahi here: www.kidsinneed.co.nz

COLOUR CAMBRIDGE

On Sunday 20 October we have a community event fundraising for Kids in Need - COLOUR CAMBRIDGE (<https://www.colourcambridge.co.nz/>) and would love it if your school could support us.

Ngā mihi nui,

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Note your calendar

25 September - Senior Speech Finals:

9:15am - Year 5

11:40am - Year 6

27 September - 3:00pm End of Term 3

14th October - 9:00am Term 4 starts

New Entrant Cohort Entry

21 - 24 October - Scholastic Book Fair

28 October - Labour Day - SCHOOL CLOSED

22 November -Teacher Only Day SCHOOL CLOSED

Ngā mihi nui

Andrew Campbell

Principal

