



**KNIGHTON
NORMAL SCHOOL**

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Tēnā koutou e te whānau, nau mai haere mai ki te wā whā,

Well here we are in the last term of the year 2024 in Akomanga Rima. What a year it has been, and what a term this will be. We have so many great things planned for our tamariki. Some of the key learning will be around the social science and science of being a vet, including reading and writing around being a vet - it is going to be awesome. We will also be finishing off our Keeping Safe focus for the year. All other curriculum programmes will be continuing as usual.

Some of the other key events/activities we will be doing are:

- Senior Fun day
- End of Year assemblies
- Swimming
- Beach Education day at Raglan
- other surprise end of year activities



The Year 6s will be participating in a number of workshops with Whaea Chrissy and I to help prepare them for their transition to intermediate next year. We will also be having the intermediates visit us at school to give the tamariki from Knighton a chance to ask them questions about intermediate.



Our swimming days are Tuesday and Thursday. Swimming is a part of our physical education curriculum, it is not an optional activity. Children are **expected** to bring their swimming gear every Tuesday and Thursday, unless they have a note with a valid reason why they are not swimming. The pool is warm, a teacher is watching the whole time and the swimming time is a safe and fun time. New Zealand is surrounded by water, it is important that our tamariki learn to be safe in the water. This term we will be going to the Raglan Surf Beach as a class and the children will be swimming in a safe spot, so time in the school pool is even more important this term. If you have any questions please ask.

EXTRA NOTICES

- **Kindo:** 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 or via the link on our school website.
- **Library:** Our library day is Thursday. We may not go every Thursday. Your children can access the library in break times if they want to return or issue books at any other time.
- **Change of clothes:** 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! This is especially important in the winter months.

- **Medication:** 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. A reminder that inhalers are important to have at school for tamariki with asthma. Please ensure you have a current one at the office.
- **Cell Phones:** We prefer children to leave cell phones at home but understand that some children require a cell phone for safety reasons and to contact family members after school. If children do bring a cellphone to school this needs to be handed into the office or kaiako until the end of the day.
- **Late:** 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. Also remember, from 9:15 am the only unlocked entry into the school is the front gate on Knighton Road.
- **Term Calendar:** 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 each Tuesday, please visit www.kns.ac.nz



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

Thank you all. I look forward to continuing to work with you over the next term.

Ngaa mihi nui,
Nicole/Ms A

