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Thursday 20 March

Dear Parents / Whānau,

### Hockey Season 2025 - Year 3/4

**3rd May - 30th August**

**No play:** King's Birthday, 31 May; Matariki, 21st June or School Holidays, 5th & 12th July.

**Last weekend:** 30th August



Your child has shown an interest in playing Hockey for Knighton Normal School this season. All teams play on Saturday mornings, with the season starting on Saturday, 3rd May. The venue is either **Gallagher Hockey Centre (Queens Ave, behind Hamilton Lake)** or **St Paul's Collegiate (Hukanui Road)**. Games are 30 minutes long.

Your child will need a hockey stick, shin pads, a mouth guard, and socks to play hockey. Just Hockey does a 'Junior starter pack' including a stick, ball, shinpads, mouthguard and a ball for \$45.00. Blue socks, similar to football socks, with a double white stripe at the top, are preferred. Alternatively, we can provide some equipment if you cannot source your own. Talk to David Hannah.

**HELPERS:** Each team will require a coach/manager who can attend most Saturday games. Teams will be formed only if there are enough players at each year level and only if there is parent help to coach/manage the team. No experience is required for coaches/managers. Training is available for coaches. Do contact me if you're interested.

If there is **no parent help**, Knighton Normal School will be **unable to register a team**.

**FEES:** The cost of hockey will be \$30 per player. Online payments can be made through the Kindo shop <http://bit.ly/KNSkindo>. *If paying by this method, you do not need to return the attached slip.* Alternatively, you can pay by Eftpos at the school office or put cash in an old envelope with the attached slip and return it to the Frog Box at the Smiley Window.

**Payment and completed permissions must be received by Monday, 31st March**

#### UNIFORM:

Your child will be provided with a Knighton uniform for their games once their fees have been paid.




Yours sincerely

David Hannah | Sports co-ordinator | [dhannah@kns.ac.nz](mailto:dhannah@kns.ac.nz)



**Mini Kiwi sticks (Development - Year 2 / 3)**

This is played on a quarter field with 6 players on the field at one time. The team must provide a referee, and this person may be the coach. There are minimal rules to learn, and the idea is to let the play continue as much as possible. The recommended number of children is 8 - 9 players per team. However, if you have less than this number but still enough to field a team, please do not be afraid to enter. We believe in getting kids out on the turf playing hockey. If you only have 6 players in your 6 aside team and one happens to be away or sick, then we encourage you to approach the team you are playing and ask if they have any extra players that can help out. This is commonplace in other sports and allows everyone more opportunities to get on the field.

		
8-9 Players in a team*	Quarter field	Boys and girls mixed
6 Field players on the field	Two mini goals each side	Beginner, Development & Advanced divisions
No goalkeepers	2 x 13 min. periods	No scores kept
	2 min. breaks between halves	No finals

**2025 Knighton Normal School Hockey Enrolment Form**

Please return to the Frog Box at the Smiley Window by **Monday, 31st March.**

*If paying by Kindo, you do not need to return the slip.*

I give my child permission to play hockey for Knighton Normal School

Child's name:						
Age			Year Level		Room	

- I can coach a team (Coaching workshop available - TBC)
- I can manage a team (ringing members and organising draws for the teams)
- I can referee Saturday games (no experience necessary)

**Fees due - \$30 per player**

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ Cash                       \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Eftpos

**Contact Details**

Name of parent/caregiver: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (Mobile) \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: (Home): \_\_\_\_\_

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ (by an adult)