



# KILBIRNIE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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## KEY DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

1 June	Eastern Zone Cross Country
3 June	Election date for Board of Trustees
<b>6 June</b>	<b>Queen's Birthday Holiday</b>
7 June	Fundraising Meeting
8 June	Eastern Zone Cross Country postponement
9 June	Votes counted for board elections
16 June	Matariki Day
20 June	Board meeting 7pm staffroom – first formal meeting for the new board
21 June	Kapa haka group performing Kilbirnie Library 3.30 as part of Matariki.
4,5 July	Footnote Dancers at school - workshops
6 July	Sausages for sale at lunchtime
8 July	Term 2 ends

## NEW STUDENTS

Manaia Room 1  
Roshan Room 10

## MEASLES PREPAREDNESS

**from: Dr Annette Nesdale  
Medical Officer of Health  
Regional Public Health**

As you may be aware from news reports there are currently people with measles (English measles) in the Waikato, Northland, Nelson and Levin regions.

Measles is a highly infectious and serious illness. If a student or staff member is diagnosed with measles, other students and staff (teaching, administration, sports coaches and any other staff that have face to face contact with students) will be required to have written evidence that they have either had two doses of measles vaccine (MMR) after they were 12 months of age or doctor diagnosed measles. This information can be found in you/your child's Wellchild or Plunket book or from a print out from your doctor.

**Anyone who does not have evidence of measles immunity will be required to stay off school until**

**14 days after their contact  
with the person diagnosed with measles.**

Measles vaccine is free from medical centres and we strongly encourage anyone who is not vaccinated to get their vaccine as soon as possible.

Further information can be found at [Measles](#) website. Any queries regarding these immunisations can be answered by calling the public health nurse on 04 587 2949

## GENIUS HOUR

As part of our work this year looking at innovative learning approaches at Kilbirnie School we are implementing "Genius Hour" across the school. Genius Hour is a teaching and learning strategy that allows students to select an area of interest to investigate using an inquiry learning process. The chance to select a context for learning provides a platform for student agency or self-direction in learning. This agentic learning is associated with high levels of student engagement and motivation. Teachers have worked to frame Genius Hour in a manner appropriate for the students in their class. Older student have been working with the junior school students to support them to participate in Genius Hour work. The following links provide some background to this exciting new work for the school:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FEQzKH7v0-Q>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NMFQUtHsWhc>

## C.A.R.E. VALUE: ACHIEVEMENT

Our C.A.R.E. values continue to be widely incorporated into our school culture and hopefully into your home environment as well. This term our emphasis is on **ACHIEVEMENT** and the staff have been highly impressed with the number of our students who have achieved so many awards, in so many different categories. This is the term when students can bring along their ribbons, certificate, medals and trophies to show the children in assembly. Photographs of them



holding their award are placed on the Value Board in the foyer of the school. This gives us all the opportunity to share in their success and to congratulate them on their achievements. If at all possible, take the time to view our Achievements Board and see for yourself, the vast amount of talent the children at Kilbirnie School have

## CULTURAL DIVERSITY DAY

Last week, Kilbirnie School proudly celebrated Cultural Diversity Day by holding a special assembly. We are very privileged to have over ninety children from twenty seven different countries. Their nationalities included: American, Aotearoa/Maori, Belarusian, Cambodian, Chilean, Chinese, Cook Island Maori, Danish, Dutch, Egyptian, English, Fijian, French, German, Greek, Indian, Irish, Italian, Mexican, Mongolian, Niuean, Polish, Portuguese, Samoan, Thai, Tokelauan and Vietnamese.

A number of the children gave a welcome in their own language, some wearing their traditional costume and the whole school sang several songs representing various countries.

We would like to thank Miss Tuohy for organising such a significant event and congratulate the children on their wonderful achievement.



Thibault and Alexis greeting in French.

## TIMES HAVE CHANGED!

Just in case teachers today think life is tough, the following is a set of rules from 1915 setting out expectations for behaviour:

1. You will NOT marry during the term of your contract.
2. You are NOT to keep company with men.

3. You MUST be home between the hours of 8pm and 6am unless attending a school function.
4. You MAY NOT loiter downtown in ice-cream stores.
5. You MAY NOT travel beyond the city limits without the permission of the chairman of the board.
6. You MAY NOT ride in a carriage or automobile with any man unless he is your father or brother.
7. You MAY NOT smoke cigarettes.
8. You MAY NOT dress in bright colours.
9. You may, UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES, dye your hair.
10. You must wear AT LEAST two petticoats.
11. Your dress must NOT be any shorter than two inches above the ankle.
12. To keep the school room clean you must:
  - sweep the floor at least once daily
  - scrub the floor with hot soapy water, at least once a week
  - clean the blackboard at least once a day
  - start the fire at 7am so that the room will be warm by 8am

Not too sure if many of our current teachers would cope!

## PARKING AROUND THE SCHOOL!

Once again I would like to remind people about not parking on yellow lines or over driveways. Last week I was visited by a particularly irate neighbour who was unable to leave their property as a car was blocking the driveway.

Thank you for your co-operation.

**Mike McGimpsey**  
Principal



## Sushi Friday

Log onto [www.wrapitup.co.nz](http://www.wrapitup.co.nz) and select from 5 delicious varieties and 3 pack sizes.

You never have to think about Friday lunches again!

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## COMMUNITY NOTICES

### **Roller Disco Fri 27 May**

Kilbirnie Rec Centre

Dress up as your favourite movie or TV character

Pre-sales only from the Rec Centre

### **En Pointe Dance Academy**

Ballet for 3 years to adults

New purpose built studios in Hania Street

[www.enpointe.co.nz](http://www.enpointe.co.nz) or Ph Cindy 021 705122

### **Venue for hire**

Kids party, work conference, wedding??

All Saints Centre is a perfect venue

Mel Arcus at [mel@allsaints.org.nz](mailto:mel@allsaints.org.nz) or 971 2142

## PREVIOUS COMMUNITY NOTICES

### **Tunnel Laundrette Promotion**

Each \$10 (18kg) wash sold at Hataitai 4 Square in the month of April we will donate \$5 to your school.

Purchase a \$10 wash token from Hataitai 4 Square, tell the person at the 4 Square which school your child attends, it will be noted and counted.

For instruction on how to use the 18kg machine go to [www.bigwash.co.nz](http://www.bigwash.co.nz) or call 021 08255753

### **Kelly Sports Term 2 programmes**

[www.kellysports.co.nz](http://www.kellysports.co.nz) for more info

### **Kids X Country Series**

Over winter months at various Wgtn venues

Pre-schoolers through to Year 8

<https://www.athleticshub.co.nz/our-programmes#kidsxcountry>

### **Learn Mandarin Chinese**

Island Bay Comm Centre Term 2

[www.nihaocc.org.nz](http://www.nihaocc.org.nz) for more info

### **Wgtn Diving Club at Aquatic Centre**

5-17 years old [www.wellingtondiving.org.nz](http://www.wellingtondiving.org.nz) for info

Free trial

### **LCF Fun Languages**

After school language club French, Spanish, Mandarin

Annick 021 462042

### **Race to Explore Wgtn Zoo & Greater Wgtn**

Orienteering adventures

[www.citysafari.org.nz](http://www.citysafari.org.nz) for more info

### **Community Music Junction**

Group singing & marimba classes 4-12 years old

[communitymusic@xtra.co.nz](mailto:communitymusic@xtra.co.nz) or ph 8025298

### **Springboard & Platform Diving at Kilbirnie Pool**

[www.wellingtondiving.org.nz](http://www.wellingtondiving.org.nz) or call/text Barbara on 027-485-8888.

### **Configure Express Kilbirnie**

Offer child minding Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays 10.15 -12.15pm

For more info visit [www.configureexpress.co.nz](http://www.configureexpress.co.nz)

### **Mogmusic Private Tuition**

Piano, recorder, guitar, ukulele, trumpet, violin

Ph 384 8213

Mention school and we receive \$20 donation

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