



TERM 4. WEEK 4. NEWS FROM OUR SCHOOL

- **DATES FOR THE DIARY WEEKS 5-6.**
- **Monday November 13th-Room 1-7 swimming starts in the new school pool.**
- **Tuesday November 14th –Assembly. Parents and whanau welcome. Note: 11.45am start this week.**
- **Wednesday November 15th-BYOD providers meeting.7pm.**
- **Thursday November 16th. Choosing Thursday.**
- **Tuesday November 21st-Interzone Athletics.**
- **Thursday November 23rd. Choosing Thursday.**
- **Friday November 24th-Markey Night. 4.30pm start.**

- **SCHOOL SURVEY.**

A great deal of time and effort goes into the self-review of our school. We evaluate our work in many ways as we look to improve our school and the impact we have on the learning and development of the students here. The end of year community survey organised by the Board of Trustees is part of this self-review. Please do take time to complete the survey. Here is the link again, it was emailed to you yesterday.

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/XZ67W5F>

- **HATS.**

Hats are compulsory in the playground at break times and when working outside this term. It often works best if students have a hat that they use at school and leave here. Kilbirnie School hats are available from the office at a cost of \$25.

PRINCIPAL NEWS.

Kia Ora Koutou,

The school pool has been filled, the heat pump is humming and the water is fine! Room 1-7 start swimming lessons on Monday. We are preparing to schedule pool use by all classes, pool keys will become available in the next few weeks and we will hold an opening ceremony before the end of the year. Please return last year's keys if you still hold them.

To commemorate the refurbishment of the pool, we are working on a mural for the pool fence with our senior students. Our year 6 students have collaborated on a concept and will be making individual contributions. We'd also like every student in the school to have some involvement through a hand or finger print. We would appreciate any donations of paint - either unwanted test pots or outdoor water-based paint, ideally in shades of green or blue. Please drop any contributions to the school office. If you would like to be involved in the mural painting with the children during school hours, please let Peter Dobson know.

Tony Austin- Principal.





- **FIRE WISE IN THE NGAKE HUB.**

Yesterday we held our final emergency procedure drill for the year. This term we have held drills for fire, earthquake and reverse evacuation. I would like to reiterate that our school is in no danger from Tsunami waters, we will not evacuate our site in the event of a Tsunami warning. The students in the Ngake hub continued their learning in this area with a visit from the New Zealand Fire Service who delivered the Fire wise programme.



Comments for the students:

- *Tom from Firewise told us how we had to stay low to get out -Flo*
- *If there is no way to get out, yell - Immy*
- *Batteries can start fires - Luella*
- *If there is a fire don't stop and grab your favourite toys - Evelyn*
- *Kids should never play with matches and lighters - Kingston*

- **MARKET NIGHT.**

Market Night is in 2 weeks and we need your help!

Tombola jars

This is one of our most successful annual stalls and its success relies on the donations of jars of interesting things - stationary, pickles, jams, toiletries, dry cake mix, Christmas goodies (decorations, ribbons and tags etc), any small items in jars that children or adults would like to receive.

These can be dropped off in the classrooms. The class that collects the most jars will win a prize!

Baking for the cake stall - biscuits, cakes, slices, sweet treats.

Cake boxes can be collected from the office from Monday 20th November to fill.

Boxes and all baking are dropped off in the school hall on the morning of Friday 24 November.

Food stalls

Do you have a favourite fabulous dish you want to share with our community?

How about cooking a dish for one of our food stalls or even running a small food stall on the night?

Please contact Jo Daw on 021 0249 3800 or jo.daw@me.com if this sounds like you.

We would also love your help spreading the word amongst your friends, family and neighbours - this event is open to the public and is a great way to grab dinner, some Christmas shopping and some good bargains along the way. The more the merrier!



- **KILBIRNIE SCHOOL VALUES-** a message from Jacqui Brown.

Last year the children at Kilbirnie School were involved in **Go Pack the Bus for the Wellington City Mission** and this proved to be a very successful and rewarding experience for all.

We have been approached to see if we would kindly donate again this year. As

EMPATHY is our value for this term, we feel it is very appropriate to become involved in 2017. There are always people who are worse off than ourselves, so if there is any way we can assist these people, especially at Christmas time, then we are more than happy to offer our help.

Therefore, please keep your eyes open for a leaflet coming home that explains the items that they would like donated and hopefully you can assist us in this appeal. This event will take place on Friday 1st December at 10.45.

Many thanks.

Here are some of the pictures which shows the fun and enthusiasm the children experienced during the visit





- **ATHLETICS.**

Our school wide focus on athletic sports is almost complete. We had a wonderful day last Wednesday when all students participated in the Kilbirnie school event at Newtown Park. This Wednesday over 30 year 4-6 students represented our school at the Eastern Zone primary schools event. We will also have a group from our school who have now qualified to represent the Eastern Zone at the inter-zone event on November 21st.

Kilbirnie School Event.



Eastern Zone Event.



- **ICAS 2017.**

Each year some of our year 4-6 students participate in International Competitions and Assessments for Schools (ICAS) activities in maths and English. These activities are administered by the University of New South Wales. I would like to congratulate all those that took part and acknowledge the following students who achieved highly.

- **MATHS**

Year 4

Merit - Abi I

Credit - Joe B, Alexis D, Greta H, Liam H

Year 5

Credit - Maxwell D

Year 6

Merit - Connor M, Cara V,

Credit - Eddie H, Samantha M

Distinction - Molly H

- **ENGLISH**

Year 4

Merit - Joe B, Flynn G, Liam H

Credit - Freya B, Eve S

Distinction - Arana I

Year 5

Merit - David L

Credit - Amelia K

Year 6

Merit - Connor M

Credit - Imogen F, Eddie H

Distinction - Molly H, Samantha M



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KILBIRNIE SCHOOL
Whāia te iti kahurangi

Movie Night fundraiser for the upgrade of the old Hataitai Bowling Club - 'Murder on the Orient Express' at the Penthouse (Cinema One), Brooklyn - Sunday 12 November, 5pm. Tickets \$25 per person This top class movie has a stunning cast - we've been lucky enough to book it for our fundraiser, another opportunity to help raise funds to upgrade the old Hataitai Bowling Clubrooms. The \$25 ticket will include a glass of bubbly, a Heineken beer or a juice. A sweet treat will be available to purchase, there'll be raffles too. Please arrive early enough. This will be a popular event so book now and don't miss out!
Contact Jane on 027 629 9982 or email kiodel@paradise.net.nz for more details.

Is your child shy? Do they feel intimidated by the idea of public speaking and performance? Do they sometimes find it difficult to make eye contact? Do they just need dedicated time per week to just be CRAZY?! Come and join the revolutionary self-confidence programme - **Marrzipan!** We run awesome classes at school, which focus on key life skills and public speaking ability. We play fun engaging games and perform at the end of term once to parents and once to the school. All scripts are original, engaging, educational and HILARIOUS. You can sign your child up for a **Trial Lesson** via our website www.marrzipandrama.co.nz (we have contact numbers on there too, should you prefer to talk to a human!)

**WELLINGTON POLISH
CHRISTMAS MARKET**

SATURDAY 18 NOVEMBER
DOM POLSKI 3 - 9PM
257 RIDDIFORD ST NEWTOWN