

# TERM 2. WEEK 2. WELCOME TO OUR NEW STUDENTS

Rosie, Samanthi, Preston, Nelson, Harper and Agnia in Mrs. Patel's Homeroom.

Eden in Rachel's homeroom.

Nabiha in Mrs. Mudge's homeroom.

Isabelle and Deeher in Ms. J and Tina's homeroom.

Omaiza in Lou's homeroom.

Zunairah in Mr. D and Mrs. Te Rito's homeroom.

# DATES FOR THE DIARY.

As new dates for school events and activities are established, we add these to the calendar available from the home page on the school website.

## May.

- Thursday 19- Board meeting. Kilbirnie
   School cross country event.
- Monday 23- Earthquake drill.
- Thursday 26-Parentlink's Fabulous Fun Run.

#### June.

- Wednesday 1- Eastern Zone Cross Country.
- Monday 6- Queen's Birthday Public Holiday- school closed.
- Tuesday 7- Teacher Only Day- school closed.
- Wednesday 8- Plant a Seed show- Ngake and Whātaitai hubs.
- Thursday 23-Matariki celebration- school day and evening for whānau.
- Friday 24- Matariki Public Holiday- school closed.
- Thursday 30- Board meeting.

### July.

- Wednesday 6- Cyber Safety Evening.
- Friday 8- Last day of term 2.
- Monday 25- First day of term 3.

## **ENROLMENTS.**

Just a reminder about the preenrolment of new students. If you have a pre-school child that will be attending our school in the future, please do let the office know. This information is really useful for our planning.

### CONTACT INFORMATION.

This term we have classes learning outside the school at the ASB sports Centre, the Kilbirnie Aquatic Centre and the Kilbirnie library. Teachers will keep you informed of these specific dates using email.

We are also running drills in our procedures for fire, earthquake and reverse evacuation (lock down).

Please remember to update the office if there are any changes to your address, phone or email or if you want additional addresses added to receive the email from the school.



# COVID 19 UPDATE- ORANGE TRAFFIC LIGHT SETTING.

Today we have no students away having tested positive for Covid 19.

We have several students away from school as household contacts of a positive case. Our focus now is on doing everything we can to keep these numbers as low as possible as we enter a new term under the Orange traffic light setting. While always optimistic, we are also realistic in knowing that Covid will continue to impact students and community during this next part of the pandemic.

Under the orange level we are maintaining many of the public health measures we had in place throughout term 1 including face coverings in the Matairangi hub for students and staff. The Ministry of Education and Ministry of Health strongly recommend face coverings inside for year 4-6 students and staff as a key health measure under orange. Adults should continue to wear a face covering when on school grounds, we appreciate your ongoing support with this. All measures will be reviewed as we progress.

# Early in term 2 we ask that all adults continue to:

- Wear a face covering at all times when on the Kilbirnie School grounds.
- Minimise visits to school.

#### At Kilbirnie School:

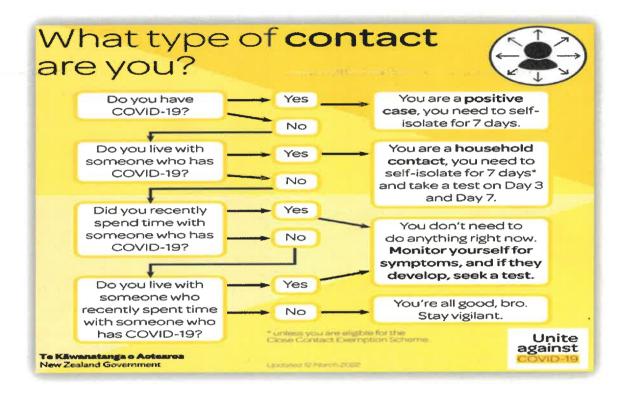
- Matairangi hub students (year 4-6) and their teachers will continue to wear face coverings while inside the classroom.
- Our focus is on the health and wellbeing of our children, staff and community.
- We are using public health measures to reduce the risk in our settings, including hygiene practises, masks, physical distancing and ventilation.
- We have appropriate cleaning procedures in place.
- We are also committed to maintaining quality teaching and learning for our students.
- Homeroom and most extracurricular programmes are operating well as usual.

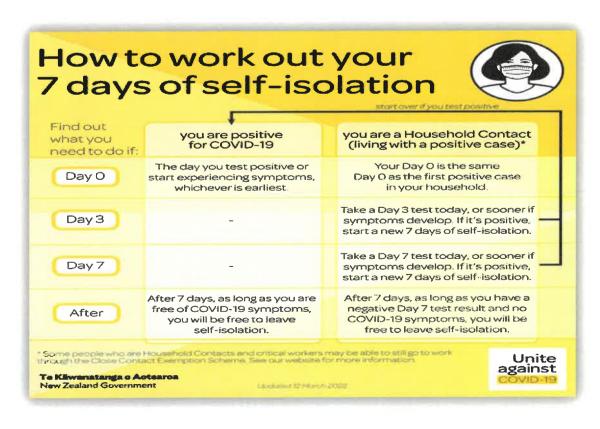
We are very eager to prevent or minimise circumstances during which students have been potentially infectious while at school. Please keep students at home if they have cold or flu like symptoms. If any symptoms develop, keep your child at home until they receive a negative test result, **AND until the child is symptom free for at** least 48 hours. This will also help us to minimise the spread of other common winter illnesses.



CONTACTS AND SELF ISOLATION INFORMATION.

Contact the office if you need support to calculate isolation period dates.







#### COUNSELLING SERVICES.

Last year as part of our group of local Eastern Suburbs schools (Kahui Ako o te Motu Kairangi) we worked to secure Ministry of Education funding to access professional counselling services for students within our schools without cost. We are now able to make applications for the school based counselling services provided by the Skylight Trust.

# www.skylight.org.nz

This organisation is a well-known and highly respected provider of counselling services to children. Skylight's school based service counsellors will help children to better manage emotions, navigate their relationships with others and become more resilient, confident, and calm. This will be an early intervention "early in the life of a problem" approach to support wellbeing and mental health concerns such as:

- Anxiety (including reluctance to come to school, avoidance of social situations, sleeping, eating issues).
- Emotional regulation (difficulty managing disappointment, sharing with others, peer conflict, friendship and peer relationship issues).
- Dealing with grief.
- Impact of early or ongoing traumatic experiences.
- Navigating whānau changes such as parental separation.
- Disengagement from learning (avoidance of activities, tasks, people).

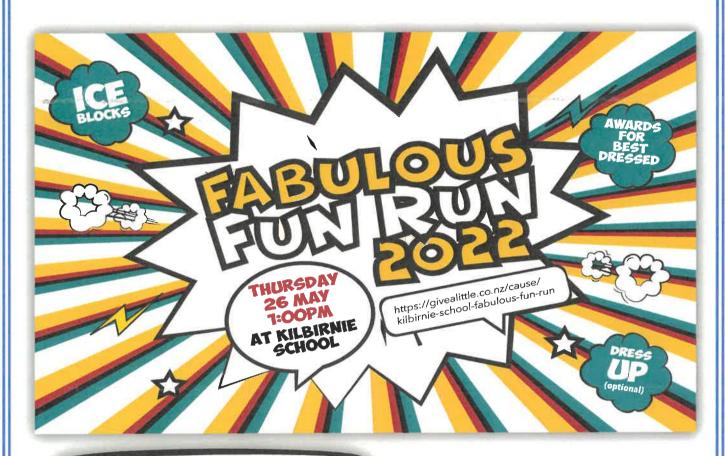
If you think your child may benefit from these services, please discuss with your homeroom teacher. The application process involves whānau completing a form which is then emailed to Skylight. The counsellors will review the information and consider the potential for their services to have a positive impact on the child. Services will be prioritised across the applications received.

If a child does progress to counselling an adult whanau member will need to transport them to and from the sessions. The sessions will be held at either Lyall Bay or Miramar North school. I am also available to discuss this service with whanau.



KILBIRNIE SCHOOL PARENTLINK- FABULOUS FUN RUN.

Fundraising via Kilbirnie School Fabulous Fun Run - Givealittle or hardcopy fundraising form if you prefer.



#### DEAR PARENT/GUARDIAN,

Kilbirnie School is holding a Fabulous Fun Run on Thursday 26th May to encourage kids to be healthy and have fun! A huge part of this is dressing up!! There will be awards for best costumes, so if your child wants to take part as their favourite superhero or book character, encourage them to get creative and dress up! There will be ice blocks after the event for the kids to rehydrate and we encourage families to come down and support the kids and join in the fun (please wear masks).

The funds raised will be used for the maintenance and repair of the pool pump, heating system, changing room and grounds of the pool complex to ensure it is ready for Term 4.

# ABOUT THE FABULOUS FUN RUN!

The Fabulous Fun Run is held the week after the school cross country, so the kids will be in the swing of running and being active! The aim is for each student to set a goal in class such as running around a set course a number of times during their allocated time or running consistently during the time.

NGAKE HUB – will run around the grass field for 5 minutes
WHATAITAI HUB – will run around the school block for 10 minutes
MATAIRANGI HUB - will run around the school block for 15 minutes

#### HOW DOES MY CHILD FUNDRAISE?

We are raising money on-line through Give-a-little, who take just 5% of the donations to cover the cost of running the on-line system and processing payments.

There is one fundraising page: [https://givealittle.co.nz/cause/kilbimie-school-fabulous-fun-tun] for the whole school. Online fundraising is safer and easier than door knocking and you don't have to worry about handling money! Share this page with friends and family far and wide and you can include the goal your child is aiming for e.g. Amy is aiming to run/walk around the school block three times in fifteen minutes during the Fabulous Fun Run! Donators can include encouraging comments for the children online.

If the on-line system isn't for you - you can collect the usual paper based form from the Kilbirnie School office. All sponsorship money is due back to see school by Friday 3rd June.

#### **GETTING INVOLVED**

WE NEED HELPERS! If you would like to volunteer to help on the day, please contact Parentlink (fundraising@kilbirnie.school.nz).

Thank you for your support, good luck and happy fundraising!

Parentlink, Kilbirnie School



#### ONLINE SAFETY PRESENTATION AT KILBIRNIE SCHOOL- FINALLY!

In recent years we have had several different providers into the school to present to our community regarding online safety for children. We have now worked to organise an opportunity for whānau to engage with **Rob and Zareen**; their work is exceptionally well recommended. This session has been delayed due to Covid 19 but can now proceed in person under the Orange Traffic light setting. Our intention is to have as many people attend this event as possible including an adult from all Kilbirnie School families and as many friends and family members as we can fit in our hall, the school will cover costs. Please mark the date and talk to people you know who may be interested. Don't miss it!



Kilbirnie School presents:

# **A Cyber Safety Evening**

With Rob & Zareen Cope – Authors, Parents & Filmmakers of the 2020 documentary:

'Our Kids Online'

- Understand the harms our kids are facing online in relation to pornography, predators, social media access, and the 24/7 switched on effect on the developing brain.
- Learn practical solutions to keep your children safer online.
- Get advice on healthy ways to approach these tricky topics.
- Learn what to do when your child has been exposed to something harmful.
- This talk also includes an online safety plan tailored to suit your family's needs.

WEDNESDAY 6TH JULY 2022 | 7PM - 9PM 72 HAMILTON ROAD, HATAITAI, WELLINGTON

To find out more about Rob & Zareen's work visit www.ourkidsonline.info



#### KILBIRNIE SCHOOL CARE VALUES.

Such a pleasure to celebrate and acknowledge some of our students demonstrating the Kilbirnie School values this week. Terrific achievement by the boys in the garden! A demonstration of empathy and respect for their Principal with a bowl of soup made with pumpkin from our garden- thanks **Ben and Greer!** 

Also, wonderful work Ibyneze, James and Toby- showing empathy and respect.







"Over the holidays I had my hair cut to donate it to charity. I have been growing my hair for about 3 years- it was down to my waist!

I felt very happy donating my hair. I'm going to grow it even longer so I can donate again".

By Toby.



#### NEWS FROM OUR COMMUNITY.

# Hataitai Litter Blitz.

Show your love for Hataitai and join the Hataitai Litter Blitz, Sunday 22 May. Come to the downstairs part of the Hataitai Centre & Village Green (former Bowling Club) at 2pm to collect rubbish bags, instructions and a street for clearing rubbish (BYO gloves or we can supply). Ensure you allow time to enjoy the company of your community afterwards. Thanks to our kind sponsors we will have some platters of delicious Coolsville Cartel snacks and our friends at 4Square are providing ice-blocks for the kids.

Any questions, or if you prefer to do your street before the day, email hcrt@hataitai.org.nz



COVID-19 Response Team

Phone: 04 889 2023 Email: vicar@allsaints.org.nz

All Saints have prepared a response team to add to the pool of people who are mobilized and prepared to help those who are at home isolating or are unwell as Omicron impacts our community. Simply call or email (calling will be faster with a team of people ready to respond) if you need support or assistance during this time. Grocery shopping, picking up click and collects, picking up medicine, walking pets etc.

If your child loves doing Cartwheels, Handstands & Flips, then they will thrive at Bigair Gym! TERM 2 CLASSES ARE STARTING NOW, SO DON'T MISS OUT, BOOK IN TODAY! Bigair Gym classes are excellent for fun, focus and fitness! Children learn new skills and develop personal confidence and self-achievement! Strong focus is given to safety and technique, ranging from fundamentals to advanced skills. The structured classes follow a Bigair Badge Programme, which creates focused learning, and allows children to achieve and progress! Classes include GYMNASTICS, TRAMPOLINING, TUMBLING, FREE RUNNING (thats parkour with flips) & CHEERLEADING! Inquire about Bigair BIRTHDAY PARTIES too!

Its easy to book online at <a href="www.bigairgym.co.nz">www.bigairgym.co.nz</a> or contact our Bigair Gym office. We would love to hear from you. Bigair Gym Owhiro Bay- 383 8779 . <a href="wgtn@bigairgym.co.nz">wgtn@bigairgym.co.nz</a>

A new girls rugby initiative: Check this out!

https://youtu.be/g7ZpEhyfA-I



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 want to take part in organised craziness?!

Come and join Marrzipan! Marrzipan Drama will be running awesome classes which focus on key life skills. 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.

Give me a call to come along for a free trial, or just a chat to discuss how our classes can benefit your child's development. Contact Joshuwawa on 022 436 5608 or email wellington@marrzipandrama.co.nz









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WWW.ENDOWARRIORSAOTEAROA.COM

Drop off times 10-2pm daily

The Hataitai Villiage Market
The first Saturday of every month

#### HATAITAI COMMUNITY HOUSE

112 WAIPAPA ROAD, HATAITAI

In collaboration with Endo Warriors Aotearoa, the Hataitai Community House is helping to raise awareness and combat period poverty. 1 in 4 menstruating individuals miss school or work due to having their period and not having access to adequate period products. We believe in New Zealand that no one should go without adequate period products.

We need your help to support this cause. At the Hataitai Community House we have a take as you need, give as you can basket. A place where anyone who needs period products can come with no judgment and take what they need free of charge.

To ensure that we can continue this great initiative we need your help with **donations** of period products, whether it be tampons, pads or reusable items. Please drop donations to the Hataitai Community House, or there will be a collection box at the Hataitai Village Market at Hataitai Centre between 10-2pm on the first Saturday of the month.

If you are in need of period products, please come to the Hataitai Community House and help yourself to the products you need. The Community House is open Monday - Friday from 10-2pm, and Thursdays 5.30 - 6pm- see the @hataitai facebook page for up to date hours. Or you can donate to this initiative online - find out how through https://www.endowarriorsaotearoa.com/