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TERM 1. WEEK 9.

**Remember that Kilbirnie School will be closed for a
Teacher Only Day tomorrow:
Friday April 1st.**

- **WELCOME TO OUR NEW STUDENTS.**

Maarij, Penina and Eddie in Mrs. Patel's homeroom.

- **COVID 19 UPDATE**

We continue to manage the impacts of Omicron without significant disruption to our operations. The number of Kilbirnie School students away from school related to Covid continues to reduce, we remain cautiously optimistic. We are now aware of a student from the Matairangi hub (senior school) who tested positive last night and was potentially infectious while at school yesterday- Thursday March 30th. Matairangi students wear masks while inside at school which mitigates risk.

I would like to thank whānau for continuing to keep students at home if they have symptoms. If any symptoms develop, keep your child at home until they receive a negative result, AND until the child is symptom free for at least 48 hours. **I can't overstate the importance of this.**

As we move through this stage of the pandemic we ask that all adults continue to:

- Wear a face mask at all times when on the Kilbirnie School grounds.
- Minimise visits to school. Don't enter the Matairangi or Whāitaitai hubs unless absolutely necessary.

At Kilbirnie School:

- Our focus is on the health and wellbeing of our children, staff and community.
- We are staying open unless we are eventually unable to safely staff the school.
- 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 where possible extracurricular programmes are operating well as usual.

At this time two years ago we were in the first week of lockdown. At that time I was providing small supplements to the homeroom distance learning programmes. I thought it would be interesting at this time to revisit one of these activities- **The Oobleck Challenge!**



The Oobleck Challenge!

You have to make some Oobleck and then make a craft to land on it. See if your craft can sit on the surface for 5 seconds. You could use lego to make the craft. You could also use anything else you can find. Have a look at the videos including the one I made. This can be a little messy, so it may be a good idea to get an adult involved (at least in the cleaning up). If you do try this challenge, take a photo and email to me. This could also be a fun school holiday activity if that's a better time.

Mr. Austin's-how to make Oobleck at home- direct from my kitchen in Karori.

<https://youtu.be/8zAixloJG9c>

Planet Oobleck challenge. Land our craft for 5 seconds.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GNwrx1dctbo>

The science of Oobleck.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nw8KaHglokQ>

Dr. Seuss story about Oobleck.

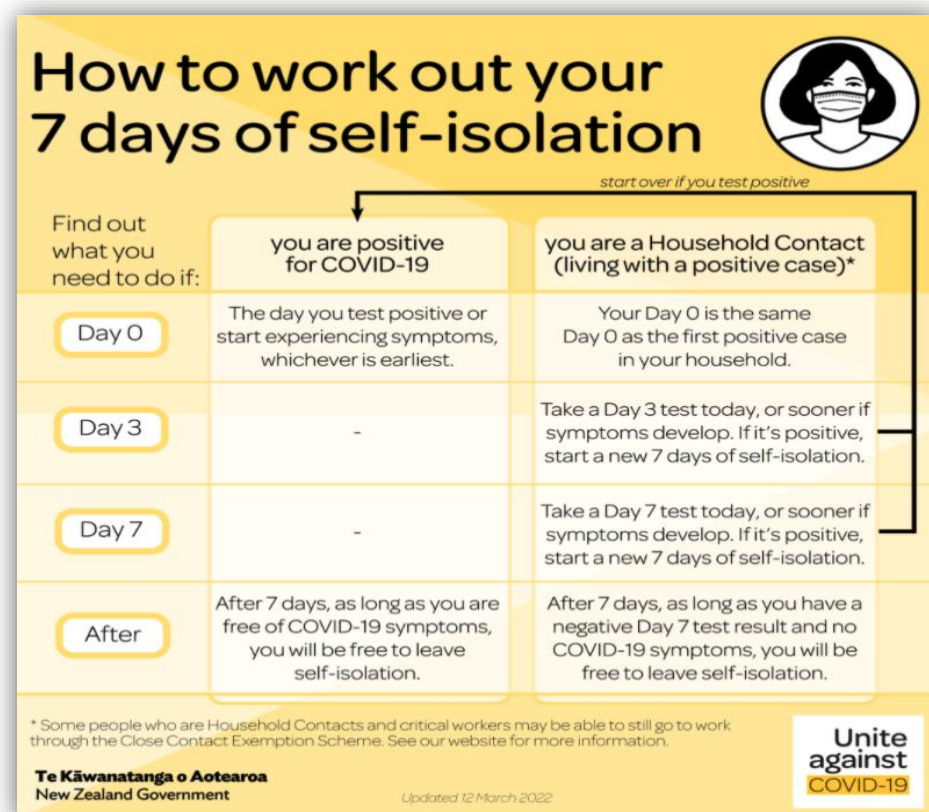
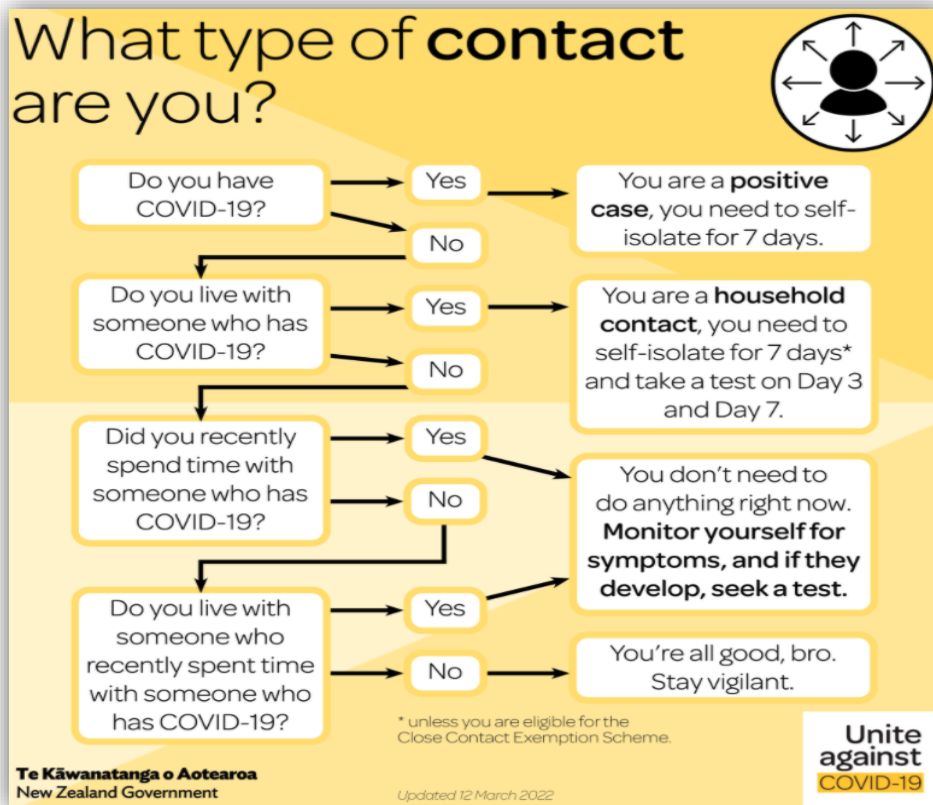
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eDef7vCgrk0>

Some images from the Oobleck Challenge 2 years ago! Alex and Brannagh look quite different now days!





• **CONTACTS AND SELF ISOLATION INFORMATION.**





- TERM ONE SPORTS ROUND UP- a message from Katrina.**

Despite being at Red level we have been able to participate in our regular term one after school sports leagues which is wonderful. We have had 13 Floorball teams in the Tuesday league at ASB Sports centre, 2 Touch Rugby teams in the Wednesday league at Wakefield park and 2 Mini Polo teams who play on Friday afternoons at WRAC. Unfortunately spectators weren't permitted at any of these games. Thanks so much to all the parents who coach and or manage our teams. The covid related restrictions have made organisation more challenging and last minute defaults due to students isolating also added to the barriers. It was just so great that so many children still got to participate this term. Here's what some of the children had to say about their experiences:

"It's nice to play Touch Rugby. I'm good at dummy half" Arya Year 3

"You get to play with your team mates and pass the ball to each other. We take turns doing dummy half" Leah Year 3

"I'm good at shooting goals from far away at floorball" Curtis Year 3

"I think it's good to exercise. It's good how you learn to pass the ball" Maddy Year 3



Kilbirnie Twisters Touch team in action



Mini Polo training in school pool



Kilbirnie Hoiho floorball team in action



Kilbirnie Ruru on defense

First hits cricket coaches visited our school and ran a cricket session with each of the Year 1-3 classes. Unfortunately for our older students, all Eastern Zone events were cancelled in term one. Alternative sporting opportunities were organised for these children who got to take part in 2 tri activate sessions at ASB Sports Centre and Kilbirnie Rec Centre. Details of these were outlined in the last newsletter.



- **STUDENT COUNCIL UPDATE.**

The School Council has had a busy couple of weeks running the first Kilbirnie Draw-Off! They had an extremely tough job judging so many amazing pieces of art. All the students who entered should be extremely proud of their creativity!



- **LOU'S HOMEROOM- BARN ART.**



""We decided to create farm animals for our barn (cloakroom). We first picked our animal and then practised drawing it. They were done in portrait style. The next step was the final copy. We used pastel and watercolour paint." -Clara and Adi.



- **KILBIRNIE SCHOOL VALUES.**

Such a pleasure to celebrate and acknowledge some of our students demonstrating the Kilbirnie School values this week. Congratulations to the **Twisters**-an awesome touch rugby team. Great job **Ali Tukaha**- showing empathy by supporting others in the playground.



Congratulations to Mikayla- one of the drawing competition winners!

“The drawing competition was fun. When they called me I was surprised and excited”.



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- NEWS FROM OUR COMMUNITY.



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.



WELLINGTON FOOTBALL CLUB (INC) – *founded 1870*

Looking for a winter sport for your children? Come and join the **Wellington Rugby Football Club** "Axeman".

We have excellent facilities and are centrally located on the edge of the town belt above Hataitai.

We are steeped in 150 years of history and pride ourselves on our community and family friendly culture.

The Junior Club caters for pre-school ripper through to year 8 tackle and our qualified coaches focus on building team skills, improving confidence and giving kids (and the parents) the opportunity to have a lot of fun!

The season gets underway in April 2022 so please register by picking on the link below

[Wellington Football Club-Wellington Football Club
\(sporty.co.nz\)](https://www.wellingtonfootballclub.co.nz/)



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KELLY CLUB APRIL 2022 HOLIDAY PROGRAMMES

Kelly Club Holiday Programmes focus on giving children aged between 5 and 13 the opportunity to do things they enjoy in a safe, supportive and encouraging environment. The programme is packed with some fantastic activities to entertain and inspire children. We have some exciting days planned: *"Eggstravaganza Day", "Kelly Club Top Chef Day", "Anzac Day", "Giant Ball Day", "Kelly Club Survivor"* Plus trips to: Ice Skating, The Marine Centre, Zealandia (check your centre for the trip days as they differ).

Kelly Club runs at the following: Amesbury School (Churton Park), Churton Park School, Island Bay School, Kelburn Normal School, West Park School (Johnsonville)

To enrol www.kellyclub.co.nz email adminwgtn@kellysports.co.nz or call [04 972 7201](tel:049727201)

APRIL 2022 HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

Football - Wests Rugby Clubrooms, Ian Galloway park, Wilton

9.30am-12.30pm

Perfect for beginners and those just wanting to have fun!

Come along and improve technique, knowledge and learn more about the basic skills of "The Beautiful Game" (Football). We will focus on the core skills of control, dribbling, passing, tackling, shooting but most importantly having as much fun as possible!

Week 1 - Tues 19 Apr, Weds 20 Apr, Thurs 21 Apr

Week 2 - Tues 26 Apr, Weds 27 Apr, Thurs 28 Apr

For full details and to enrol into our programmes

visit www.kellysports.co.nz email adminwgtn@kellysports.co.nz or call [04 972 7201](tel:049727201).

These school holidays KidzStuff Theatre for Children are presenting ***Pirates vs Ninjas (vs The Evil Vampire Wizards)***, Written by Russell King from the book by Spike Milligan and Directed by Amalia Calder

What: Pirates vs Ninjas (vs The Evil Vampire Wizards)

When: 18th - 29th April 2022

Where: Tararua Tramping Club, 4 Moncrieff Street, Mt Victoria, Wellington

Times: Weekdays 10am & 11:30am, Saturdays 10am, no show Sundays Tickets \$12.50pp, Children under 2 Free

Bookings: www.kidzstufftheatre.co.nz

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"Gymnastics is a great and fun activity for developing confidence, coordination, strength and agility.

Join our gymnastics packed Term 1 school holiday programme. This will be running from;

- Tuesday 19th April - Friday 22nd April

- Tuesday 26th April - Friday 30th April

9AM - 3PM, \$45.00 per day. To register please visit <https://hcg.org.nz/holprog> or contact office@hcg.org.nz - Spaces are limited so be in quick!"

At Bigair Gym, the classes are structured and follow a badge programme. This quality coaching & structure creates motivated and focussed learning, which allows children to focus on goals, gain feedback, reflect, and apply this to achieve through the levels! This type of training develops confidence, resilience and a positive attitude towards personal challenges and new learning. Parents keep telling us that Bigair Gym Classes are having a positive influence on their children, and they are benefiting from learning these lifelong skills outside of the gym. So, don't miss out on this for your children! **Book online for Term 2 classes from the 4th April into GYMNASTICS, TUMBLING, FREE RUNNING (Parkour with flips), TRAMPOLINING & CHEERLEADING!**

Bookings are OPEN NOW online for Bigair Gyms active, fun & popular upcoming **April HOLIDAY PROGRAMME**. Half day & full day sessions: 8.30am-1pm or 1-5.30pm = \$30, & 8.30am – 5.30pm = \$45. We offer **BIRTHDAY PARTIES** at Bigair too, so please inquire today.

GIVE RUGBY A TRY!
SEASON STARTS 6 MAY

- ✓ Make friends
- ✓ Have fun
- ✓ Build confidence
- ✓ Be healthy

Find out more about Marist St Pats junior rugby
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msprugby.co.nz/juniors



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Hataitai Village Market

Saturday 2 April
10.00am - 2.00pm



Art, Crafts, Comics, Vintage, Plants...



Support local



hataitai centre, 157 hataitai road (former bowling club)