



KILBIRNIE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Congratulations Tony Austin!

As you will be aware from reading the latest Trustee News, Tony Austin has been appointed as the new Principal of Kilbirnie School. I was absolutely thrilled to receive this news last evening and I know that the school will be in great hands. Tony has been with us for approximately ten years as deputy principal and in that time has lead several important initiatives. He has always been eager to further his own professional development, not only relating to the quality of his teaching, but also in the areas of management and leadership. Congratulations Tony on an appointment well-deserved!

KEY DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

24 Oct	Labour Day Holiday
25 Oct	Kapa Haka Festival – St Patrick’s College St John’s Programme in school
26 Oct	St John’s Programme in school
27 Oct	Playhouse Performers at school
31 Oct	Board of Trustees meeting 7pm
2 Nov	School Athletics at Newtown Park
9 Nov	EZ Athletics at Newtown Park
25 Nov	Market Night
30 Nov	Sausages on sale at lunchtime
7 Dec	EZ Hockey at Hockey Stadium Leavers Dinner at The Pines for Year 6’s
12 Dec	Board of Trustees meeting 7pm
15 Dec	School finishes 1pm

TERM DATES FOR 2017

Term 1:

Wednesday 1 February – Thursday 13 April

Term 2:

Monday 1 May – Friday 7 July

Term 3:

Monday 24 July – Friday 29 September

Term 4:

Monday 16 October – Friday 15 December

Waitangi Day Monday 6 February

Queen’s Birthday Monday 5 June

Labour Day Monday 23 October

WELCOME TO ELAINE COOPER

I would like to welcome Elaine to the school, she will be teaching in Room 2 from interval to lunchtime for the final term. This will enable Jacqui Brown to be released for Reading Recovery.

PARENT MOVIE NIGHT

from Parentlink

Tuesday 18th
October at 8pm -
Roxy Cinema
Thanks to everyone who’ve got their tickets - our movie has got great reviews and it’s going to be a fun night

If you haven’t got tickets, you can buy at the door - \$30 with a glass of wine and goodie bag, \$25 without wine
We’ve got a great prize to raffle on the night - remember to bring some coins
All proceeds go to Kilbirnie School



SUNHATS

Reminder: All children are expected to wear a suitable sunhats at interval and lunch time for the forthcoming term. Children without sunhats will be asked to play in a shaded area. School hats can be purchased at the school office, \$25 each. The school hats have the new school logo.



ENROLMENTS FOR 2017

Please contact the school if you have not yet signalled your intention to enrol your child later this year, or in the first half of next year. This will assist us in the preparation of classes for 2017. If you are aware your children are not returning to our school we would appreciate hearing from you as well.

CHOOSING THURSDAY PROGRAMME

This elective programme once again gets underway this term, starting Thursday November 3. The programme runs between interval and lunchtime over the next six weeks and offers children a range of interesting and stimulating options.

This year we have thirteen different electives:

- Making houses with boxes
- Crazy construction with art, craft and drama
- Making recyclable beeswax lunch paper, as well as starting our eco glass house
- Song writing
- Learning about French words, monuments, food art and fashion
- DIY craft projects
- Chess for beginners and experts
- Working with digital devices and exciting software
- Designing and making Pom-Pom pets
- Master Chef Junior
- Introduction to karate
- Designing and making soft toy wheat packs
- Futsal – indoor football

Once again I would like to thank both Tony Austin and Peter Dobson for their great organisation.

C.A.R.E.VALUE: EMPATHY

Jacqui Brown

Our values programme has been truly embraced into our school this year and we would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your involvement in reinforcing these values at home.

This term our value is **Empathy: Compassion, Family & Caring**:

- To show interest in others
- To be sympathetic towards others
- To include others through sharing and caring
- To think about how others might feel
- To model good behaviour.

We are proud to say that the children from Kilbirnie School have displayed all the qualities and values that we have focussed on this year and they are certainly a credit to you as parents. A project we would once again like to get involved in later in the term, encompassing empathy, is to take part in the "Go Pack the Bus for the Wellington Mission". Further details will be sent out at a later date.



KAPA HAKA FESTIVAL

Rachel France

Kia Ora te whanau!

This term is a busy one for me, with **Te Whanaungatanga o Pōneke Kapa Haka Festival** coming up on in **week 3, Tuesday the 25th of October at St Patrick's College Hall**. This sets the standard for the term's events. Our Senior Kapa Haka students are working very hard towards this at the moment, and a special thanks to the senior teachers for being so accommodating, so we can have some quality rehearsal time.

In Te Reo Māori we are looking at Nga wā o te tau (Seasons of the Year) and Te Huarere (The Weather). It is great to see students so keen and confident to be adding to their kete of knowledge.

Thursday, week 3 will be auditions for Years 4 – 6 for Market Night Busking. I know there are already dancers rehearsing an item independently at the moment. Ka mau te wehi! On that note, **if there is anyone in the school community that has a P.A. and mixing desk that we could borrow for the busking stage please let me know!**

Our Senior Choir will also be part of The Kids Sing at St Marks on the 16 November. This is a pilot scheme that involves 23 choirs in the Wellington Region. It will be lovely for our awesome singers to have an event to look forward to.

I will also be working on the musical items for the Year 6 Leavers Dinner at the Pines through November, leading up to the occasion in December.

Nga Mihi Mahana,
Rachel France

RETURN OF POOL KEYS

Reminder: Pool keys are to be returned to the school office for a \$20 refund. New pool keys will be issued for the forthcoming pool season.

The pool will be operating from next week for flippaball training, it is anticipated the pool will be open for community use just after Labour Weekend.

Mike McGimpsey
Principal

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Wgtn Waterfront Fun Runs for Kids

www.athleticshub.co.nz/kids-fun-run for info

Roseneath School Jumble Sale

Sunday 16th October 10am – 2pm

Something for everyone

Fun Languages for everyone

French, Spanish & Mandarin

www.lctclubs.co.nz or 021 462042

Water Babies Swimming classes

Birth to 4 years of age

7 days per week.

CQ Hotel pool Cuba St, or

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www.waterbabies.co.nz or 9799095

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