



KIA ORA GREETINGS

From the Desk of the Principal

I would like to wish everyone a happy new year and a warm welcome back to another school year. We have many new families who have joined us this year and I am pleased to extend a special welcome to them.

The newsletter is sent home every fortnight but we also have a Facebook page which reports regular events and activities at school.

Family Fun Night - We will be having our annual Family Fun Night on Wednesday 28th Feb between 5.30pm & 7.30pm. More information will follow in the next newsletter but please keep this night free. There will be food, bouncy castles and a chance to meet your child's teacher.

The library will be open during Family Fun Night. 5.30pm to 6.30pm. You are welcome to visit the library and Mrs. Hewgill will show you around. If you are interested in having your family being able to borrow books you can see her about this and she will set you up with a borrowing card. It is intended that the library would be open one afternoon a week after school for issuing and returning books.

School Picnic - Cornwallis Beach - Our whole school picnic is taking place at Cornwallis Beach on Tuesday 20 Feb. **This is a free trip for all children.** Families are welcome to join us on the day but will need to provide their own transport as the buses are for staff and students. More information to follow.

Sun Safe Policy - It is school policy that all students wear a sun hat when playing outside away from shaded areas. We prefer it if children wear our school bucket hat or cap (caps \$15 at school office). However we have made allowances for plain black caps or hats as an acceptable option too (no logos, other colours or multicoloured designs). Children who do not bring a sun hat will have to play in shaded areas.

From the Desk of Steven Pickett:

The swimming pool is back for term 1!!! - Swimming starts on Monday next week for all classes. The timetable below outlines which days your child's class will be swimming. This includes lunchtime swimming.

Each day your child will be swimming please make sure they bring the following:

- Togs (named)
- Towel (named)
- A plastic bag or other appropriate bag to put togs and towel in (named)
- Goggles (optional)

It is very important that you check that you have named all of your child's school uniform. With all of the changing there may be times when uniforms get mixed up. If ALL items are named there will be no problems.

We EXPECT ALL children to take part in the swimming programme. If you have any concerns about your child swimming please come in and see me.

We are very excited about giving our children the opportunity to learn some fantastic water safety skills.

Check out the timetable, get your togs sorted and enjoy this great opportunity we have.

Lastly we would like to say a HUGE THANK YOU to Ian from Pools in SchoolZ for making this happen. Any questions or queries feel free to pop in and see me here at school.

Swimming Timetable Term 1 2018					
	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
9.00		1		10 & 21	10 & 21
9.45			22	2	12
10.30	Morning Tea				
11.00	22	15	18	3	6
11.45	7	8	6	4	15
12.40	Middle Students		Lunch	Senior Students	Junior Students
1.30	18	2	12	8	7
2.15	9/11	4	1	9/11	3

Children Away From School:

If your child needs to be away from school, please contact the school office before 9.30am to let us know each day. You can phone on **827 2187** or email at admin@kelstonprimary.school.nz or text us on **0211647819** - Please give us your child's first and last name, room number and reason for absence.

General Info:

Lunch Room – this is open every day – order at the school hall kitchen before lunch.

Stationery Packs and Activity Fees – A big thank you to all those families who have already paid these – it is great to see so many stationery packs purchased already.

New World/ Kellogs Books for school's promotion - if you shop at New World and purchase a Kellogg product, you can then go online and select our school to receive free books. This nomination / selection gives our school "a point" and every point counts towards our school receiving free books from Penguin (at the end of the promo in March).

GET FREE BOOKS FOR YOUR SCHOOL WITH KELLOGG'S AND NEW WORLD

NEW WORLD Kellogg's See you at breakfast!

—Back to school—

For every New World receipt dropped into the in-store collection box showing the purchase of two participating Kellogg's products your school will be able to redeem 1 free book. Promotional Period 1 Jan – 31 Mar 2017. Max 20 books per school. For full list of participating Kellogg products and Terms & Conditions visit www.kelloggs.com/freebooks

Coming Events:

Thur. 15 Feb	BOT Meeting 7.230pm
Tues. 20 Feb	Cornwallis Beach Trip
Wed. 28 Feb	Family Fun Night
Fri 2 March	Principal's Assembly
Tues. 6 March	Footsteps Dance Starts
Wed. 7 March	Interschool cricket
Wed. 14 March	Interschool Swimming
Thurs. 22 March	BOT Meeting 7.230pm
Fri 30 Mar- Tues 3 April	Easter Break
Fri. 13 April	Last day of term 1

