

## KIA ORA GREETINGS



## From the Desk of the Principal

We have had a great start to the term and I would like to welcome the new families who have joined us. We have a busy couple of terms ahead so please remember to look at the newsletters, website and Facebook pages to keep up with events.



#### **Staff News**

Our roll has been growing steadily this year and we have had to start a new class for 5 year olds in Room 14. Katherine Martin will be teaching this class for the remainder of the year. We are pleased to have Katherine join us again after teaching here last year.

### **Parent/Teacher Interviews**

Next Thursday 6 August school will be finishing at <a href="12pm">12pm</a> as we are having parent/teacher interviews. The Skids programme will be operating from 12pm for children who are

unable to be collected at that time. We would like to see all parents so please take the time to book an interview with your child's teacher. Appointments can be made using our Skool Loop app or at the office. Please do not use Seesaw to contact teachers for appointments.

# **Teacher Only Day Monday 24 August**



There will be a teacher only day on Monday 24 August and school will be closed for tuition. The Skids programme will be operating. Please take note of this date, there will be a reminder closer to the day.

#### **Electronic Gates**

Shortly we will be having electronic gates installed at the front and back entrances to the school. This is to increase the safety of students and prevent unauthorised traffic from entering the school.



Parent-Teacher

# **Attendance Trophy**



Congratulations to Room 3 for winning the Attendance Trophy for the end of last term.

### From the Desk of Steven Pickett:

## **Interschool Hockey**

This Friday we are taking two Year 5 & 6 boys' and girls' teams to the interschool hockey tournament being held at Henderson High School's hockey turf. We will be leaving school at 9am and returning around 2.30pm. All players need a mouthguard which can be purchased from the office for \$4. Family are more than welcome to come along to support the teams.

### **ICAS Testing**

The International Competitions and Assessments for Schools (ICAS) tests are optional tests in reading, spelling and mathematics that we offer year 3 - 6 students each year. This year the cost is \$10 per test. These tests are partly subsidised by the school (usual cost \$15). If you would like to enter your child in any of the tests please return the notice that was sent home last week. New notices can be requested at the school office. The last day for entry is Friday 14th August.

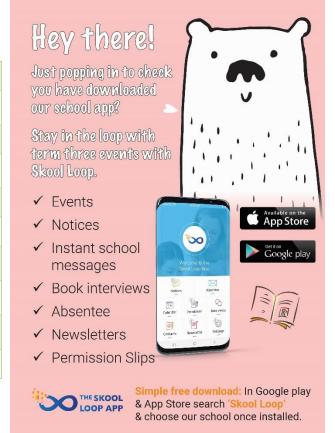
### **Year 6 Kelston Intermediate Transition Day**

Next Friday 7th August all Year 6 students are attending a transition day at Kelston Intermediate School. It does not matter if your child will not be attending Kelston Intermediate next year it is just a chance to have a taste of what intermediate school will be like no matter which school they attend. Family are more than welcome to attend to find out about Kelston Intermediate. The Year 6's will be walking down at 8.50am (they need to be at school by 8.30am) and will walk back to school at 2.40pm.

## **Coming Events:**

Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> July	Interschool Hockey
Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup> August	Parent Interview Day.
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Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> August	Kelston Int. Transition Day
Wed 19 August	Board of Trustee meeting 7.30pm
Thurs 20 <sup>th</sup> August	Junior swimming starts
Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> August	Teacher only Day
Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> August	Hauora Day (Wellbeing Activities)
Tuesday 1st Sept	Photolife class and individual photos
Wed 16 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Board of Trustee meeting 7.30pm
Fri 25 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Last Day of Term 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, use the Skool Loop app 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.



Internet Banking – We are happy to receive school payments by Internet Banking. Please remember to use your child's name and reason for payment as your reference. Account Number is ASB 123051 0387085 00. Feel free to email us that you have paid.