

KIA ORA GREETINGS



From the Desk of the Principal

Last week our year 6 students attended the Careers Expo at Kelston Boys' High School. This was a great opportunity to look at future focused career options and it gave the students an insight into the opportunities education can provide. There were displays from computer companies, engineering, service industries and medicine and the students had the opportunity to partake in a range of activities.

Hopefully we will be able to arrange this event again in the future.

Kelston Visioning Survey

The principals and boards of schools in the Kelston area are exploring a Learning Village concept, and are currently gathering community feedback on this concept. The schools involved are Kelston Primary School, St. Leonards Primary school, Kelston Intermediate School, Kelston Girls' College, Kelston Boys' High School and Kelston Deaf Education Centre.

In this concept, schools would collaborate on a shared Kelston Learning Village in which the intermediate school and secondary schools could co-locate on a single shared site, and would work closely with the primary schools.

We are very interested to hear your views on this concept. The following link is for a survey which will take approximately 20 minutes to complete and gives you an opportunity to comment on this concept:

https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/KelstonSchools

Kelston Community Hui- Monday 2 September

In addition to the survey above there will be a special hui at Kelston Boys' High School on Monday 2 September between 6-8pm. This will be a chance to hear more about the future vision for education in Kelston as well as have the opportunity to discuss the concept. There will be discussion groups in Tongan, Samoan, Māori and Sign Language as well as English.

Food and refreshments will be provided. If you are planning on attending, please let the school office know as numbers are limited to 50 per school.

From the Desk of Steven Pickett:

Camp 2020

Next year all of our Year 5 & 6 students (this year's Year 4 & 5 students) are booked in for camp at Carey Park in Henderson Valley. Traditionally we have held this camp every two years in May, next year we have been very lucky to get a summer slot and we are booked in for Monday 17 February until Wednesday 19 February. If your child is in Year 4 & 5 this year please watch out for a notice coming hope shortly outlining camp details and costs.

Careers Day at KBHS

What a successful day our Year 6's had at Kelston Boys' High School last Thursday. They were blown away with the number of careers on display. Of course, the film and gaming industries were very popular, but so were design, health, engineering and IT. Our Year 6's went in with little to no idea about what they may want to do as a future career but by the time we left they all had big smiles and the majority seemed to have their mind set on where they wanted to head. It will be very interesting to see the impact this expo has had in 10-15 years time:).

Senior Zoo Trip

Yesterday all our senior classes went to the Auckland Zoo. We were very lucky to have the trip fully funded as part of the Zoofari programme sponsored by the Warehouse and Ritchies buses. The students had a great time exploring the Zoo. They were keen to inquire into the different animals, finding out about their unique qualities, their preferred habitat, other interesting facts, why they might be endangered and what is being done or what they can do to help save the animals. We were lucky to have a Zoo educator take each class on a tour of Africa, this was such a wonderful learning experience. Our students asked some great questions too! A big thank you to the big group of parent helpers that came with us, your help and support was greatly appreciated.

Congratulations to Freida and Ashton Rm 11 for winning the hamper raffles that were drawn last Friday. Thank you to those who bought tickets for your support

Saturday Netball

Congratulations to our Kerehana Blue Yr 5/6 team who have qualified in first place for the final this Saturday 24 August. There game starts at 11.30am, on court 6 at Te Pai Courts in Henderson. All players have to meet at 10.30am. The team welcome all the support they can get. Good luck team!

School Photos

Envelopes for Class, Individual and Family photos have been sent home – please check your child's bag – If you wish to purchase photos please fill out the order and return the envelope and payment to school before 3rd September. Netball team envelopes should come home today. Sorry we can not do eftpos for these payments.

From the Desk of Elise Gardner:

New Students – If you have a pre-schooler due to start school this year please come and see us and do the enrolment as soon as possible so we can organise our junior class rooms for next term. Also if you know of any families with pre-schoolers also nearly due to start school, ask them to come and see us as soon as possible.

Swimming – Junior swimming starts tomorrow, please ensure the swimming fee has been paid and remember their swimwear and towel for tomorrow. Please make sure all their swimwear and clothing (including their uniform) are named clearly.

Coming Events:

Wed 21st August	BOT Meeting 6.30pm
Thurs 22 nd August	Junior School Swimming starts
Fri 23 rd August	Principal's Assembly 2.15pm
Fri 30 th August	Kiwican Mufti Day
Tue 3 rd Sept	Class and Individual/Family phots
Mon 16 Sept	Duffy Role Model Assembly
Wed 18 Sept	BOT Meeting 6.30pm
Fri 27 th September	Principal's Assembly 2.15pm 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 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 – especially if it is close to the day of a trip etc.