



KIA ORA GREETINGS

From the Desk of the Principal

Lately we have had many sick students and staff at school and I fear there may be a virus going around. If your child is unwell please keep them home until they are better.

Please remember to dress for the colder weather. Children can wear a black or burgundy skivvy under their polo shirts and wearing the polar fleece top is advised. Just make sure it is named.



Board of Trustees Election - Reminder

By now you should have received a nomination form to become a Board of Trustees member. Soon we will be having elections for our Board of Trustees and the nominations close on 31 May. If you have the time, interest and willingness to serve our school please consider becoming a member of our Board of Trustees. This is a very important and vital role in our school. If you didn't receive a form or have mislaid it you can get a copy from our school office. Our next BOT meeting is on Thursday 23rd May at 7.30pm should you wish to attend and see what being a trustee involves. Just call the office for more information.



Teacher Strike- School Closed

As you may be aware there will be a strike day on Wednesday 29 May for all teachers and Principals. There will be no school on this day and staff will not be present to supervise students.

Pink shirt/clothing day- This Friday!

On Friday children will be allowed to wear pink to school to show our support against bullying. This is a nationwide initiative which we are proud to be part of.

From the Desk of Steven Pickett



New School Website

Our new school website has now been officially launched! We think it looks amazing and we hope you like it as well. It has lots of information and photos plus can also be used to report absences or to contact the office. Please take the time to check it out and let us know what you think. The address is www.kelstonprimary.school.nz



Thursday & Saturday Netball at Te Pai Courts

Our Year 3 & 4 teams have their first games tomorrow afternoon. A big thank you to Deborah (Marlee's Mum) for coaching the Year 4 team and Mrs Duggan for coaching the Year 3 team. We wish the teams the best of luck for their first games of the season.

Game times:

**Kelston Kerehana Y3 v Henderson Valley School Kowhai Kids
4.00pm on Court 18**

Kelston Kerehana Y4 v Henderson Valley School Black Panthers 5.00pm on Court 4.

Our Year 5 & 6 teams have had a good start to the season and continue their grading rounds this Saturday. The draw is not available at this stage but can be found on the Netball Waitakere website www.netballwaitakere.co.nz or our school website under Parent Info/Netball once it is available.

From the Desk of Elise Gardner

Junior School Howick Historic Visit – 31st May – Your child should have received a notice with details of this trip. Please arrange payment of \$20 for this as soon as possible.

Coming Events:

Thurs 23 rd May	BOT meeting 7.30pm
Fri 17 th May	Pink Shirt day
Mon 27 th May	Interschool Basketball
Wed 29 th May	SCHOOL CLOSED – Teacher's Strike
Fri 31 st May	Junior School Howick Historic Village Visit
Mon 3 rd June	Queen's Birthday – no school
Tue 4 th June	Interschool Rugby
Thu 6 th June	Western Zone Rugby League
Fri 7 th June	Jnr School Grandparents Day Principal's Assembly 2.15pm
Thurs 13 June	Middle School Museum Visit
Thurs 20 th June	BOT meeting 7.30pm
Thurs 4 th July	Parent Teacher Interviews
Fri 5 th July	Principal's Assembly 2.15pm End of Term 2

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.