

KIA ORA GREETINGS



From the Desk of the Principal

The term is passing quickly and we are now in the process of putting together our end of year reports. We are also planning some of our end of year events so please keep an eye on the newsletter and our Facebook page as this is a very busy time of year.

New Enrolments - Just a reminder that if you have a child turning 5 early next year you can enrol them now. We can also arrange school visits before they start school. Just remember to bring a Passport or Birth Certificate to the school office.

Million Dollar Mission - Thank you to everyone who voted for our school. Unfortunately we only achieved \$10k towards our target of \$42k for a new junior playground. We intend to carry on with our playground planning though and will be looking for other grants or donations.



No Fees in 2020 - In 2020 all school trips and activities will be free with the exception of school camp. We are pleased to announce this and hope it will make things a bit easier for our families.

Minister of Education visit - The Minister of Education Chris Hipkins is visiting Kelston on Tuesday 26 November. He will be at Kelston Primary at around 11.15am for a fleeting 10 minute visit.

Principal's Assembly - I will be having a special Principal's assembly at 2.15pm this Friday 15 November. All are welcome to attend.

From the Desk of Steven Pickett:

Kiwi Can Jam 2019

Wow, what a performance! Congratulations to our Kiwi Can Jam team for winning the Respect category!!!!!



Last Friday night 40 students attended the Kiwi Can Jam event at the Vodafone Events Centre in Manukau. This event showcased the four values of Kiwi Can - Respect, Positive Relationships, Integrity and Resilience. It was a great night seeing the performances of all the Kiwi Can schools. Our group of students can be very proud of all the hard work they put in practising their item. A big thank you to Mrs Duggan, Miss O'Hanlon, Mrs Reader, Matua Kiti for helping on the night and a special big, big thank you to Whaea Lily for all her work preparing the students for their performance. It certainly paid off!!!!!

Year 5 & 6 Camp 2020-February 17-19, 2020 - New notices went home last week (They are also on our School Loop App). All children that plan to come to camp need to have their health form completed, signed and returned to school as soon as possible. All students in Year 4 & 5 who return their form by this Friday will get an ice-block at lunchtime. If you are wanting to be a parent helper please complete the police check form and parent helper form. We need at least 10-12 adult helpers so please come forward and help us if you can. At least 50% of the \$200 camp cost must be paid by Wednesday 18th December (the last day of school this year). If this is not possible but you would like your child to attend camp then please contact me at school spickett@kelstonprimary.school.nz or 8272187 to discuss other options.



Lost and Found - As we are getting closer to the end of the year, it is a good time to look for things that are lost and return them to where they belong. This can work in two ways with schools. Firstly, your child may be missing items of clothing (or other items). Our lost property bins are located at the office. Please come and look at these. The second possibility is school resources and school sports uniforms that are sitting at home waiting to be returned. We would love any school books or school sports uniforms (netball dresses, netball jackets, black sports shorts, sports shirts, socks, etc) returned. No questions asked as we

know how easily our kids can forget to return things. Please bring them back (or send them with your child) to the office and you will get a smile and a big thank you :).

Coming Events:

Fri 15 th Nov	Principal's Assembly 2.15pm
Fri 29 th Nov	Whole School Athletics
Wed 20 th Nov	Rm 1 & 2 Supermarket Trip BOT Meeting 7.30pm
Thurs 21st Nov	Rm 3 & 4 Supermarket Trip
Tue 3 rd Dec	Interschool Athletics Day
Wed 11 Dec	End of Year Concert/Prizegiving 6.00pm
Fri 13 th Dec	Principals Assembly 1.45pm
Mon 16 th Dec	Water Day
Tues 17 th Dec	Positive Power Day
Wed 18 th Dec	Last Day of Term

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INITIATE DANCE HOLIDAY PROGRAMME JANUARY 2020

Kelston Community Centre/Te Pae o Kura

6th - 17th January 2020. Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 9am-4pm each day

\$60 per week, \$120 for both - book for one week or both! Open to students 8-12 years - no dance experience needed Bookings are open now online

at https://initiatedance.wixsite.com/holiday Places are limited so be quick!

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 <u>admin@kelstonprimary.school.nz</u> 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.