



## KIA ORA GREETINGS

### From the Desk of the Principal

Welcome back to term 3 at Kelston Primary School. I hope you had an enjoyable winter break. Last term was a tough one with many children being sick. It appears that there are still many sick children and the weather has been cold and wet, so please keep warm and safe.



#### School Board Elections

Nominations are now open for 5 Parent Representatives for our School Board - please see our Skool Loop App or our Website for information and nomination forms. If we have your correct email address on file, we have also emailed you all the information. Please feel free to contact the school if you would like a printed nomination form sent home with your child. Email: [admin@kelstonprimary.school.nz](mailto:admin@kelstonprimary.school.nz)

**Parent Meeting – Keeping Ourselves Safe Programme** - We are holding a meeting for parents in our staffroom at 2.00pm. This will be with Snr Constable Carl Musto and will be covering our Keeping Ourselves Safe Programme. Please come and along and learn what this programme is about. It will finish at 3.00pm



**Mask wearing** - Thank you to all of our families who provide their children with a mask. This is helping keep the spread of illness down same extent in the winter months. school so all children can be advised that all students in years school. So far this has been appreciated.



as we can't ventilate the classrooms to the We have a large stockpile of masks at catered for. The Ministry of Education has 4-6 should wear a mask while inside at working well and your support is greatly



**Enrolments** - If you have a 4 year old at home starting school soon please let the school office know so we can pre-enrol your child and arrange visits before they turn 5. This also helps with our future planning.

**New court surfaces** - The wet weather has delayed the installation of our new playing surfaces in the junior and senior/middle areas of the school. This is due to commence in 3 weeks providing the weather permits.

**Photolife Photos – August 10th** - This year every child will have their photo taken, if you want group photos with brothers and sisters at our school please fill in the photolife form that came with this newsletter and send it back to school. Ordering and paying will be done online – they can not be paid for at the school office. A special ordering code will come home approx. 2 weeks after the photos are taken. Class photos will also be taken at this time and they will be ordered the same way.

## From the Desk of Steven Pickett:

**ICAS Tests** - The ICAS tests are optional tests for any interested Year 3, 4 5 or 6 students. There are three tests available: English, Spelling and Maths. The cost to enter each test is \$20. If you are wanting your child to participate in any of these tests the money must be received by next Friday the 5th August at the latest. The money can be paid directly into the school account 12 3051 0387085 00. Please use your child's name and which ICAS test/s the payment is for in the Particulars/Code/Reference areas. You can also pay by cash or Eftpos in the school office or send cash to school with your child.



**Inter-School Hockey for Year 5 & 6 students** - Next Friday 5th August we are taking two girls' and two boys' teams to the Inter-School Hockey Tournament being held at the Waitakere Hockey Turf at Henderson High School. The teams are currently training at morning tea and lunchtime getting ready for the tournament. All players that make the teams will receive a notice this week.

**Spell-a-thon** - Last year our spell-a-thon was unable to be finished due to Covid-19 so we have decided to give it another go. It all kicks off on Monday 8th August. We are raising money to continue the upgrade of our school environment. For the spell-a-thon, all students will be provided with a list of words. They will have 4 weeks to learn these words and to collect sponsors. There are some amazing prizes up for grabs with the top prize being a \$200 Lynnmall



voucher. Every student who raises at least \$20 will go into the draw to win a pair of JBL Bluetooth Wireless headphones worth over \$200. There are also heaps of other prizes up for grabs. One lucky class with the highest average amount raised will win a mufti day and pizza party at the end of the term. All the information including the spelling lists, key dates and information about prizes will be coming home on Monday 8th August.

### **Coming Events:**

Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> August	Keeping Ourselves Safe – Parent Meeting
Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> August	Interschool Hockey Tournament
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> August	Spellathon Starts.
Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> August	Photolife Photos
Wednesday 31 <sup>st</sup> August	Interschool Rugby Tournament
Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> September	Spellathon Test Day
Wednesday 21 September	Interschool Netball
Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> September	End 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**, email at [admin@kelstonprimary.school.nz](mailto:admin@kelstonprimary.school.nz), text us on **0211647819** - or log an absentee on our website or Skool Loop App. 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.