



KIA ORA GREETINGS

From the Desk of the Principal

The term has started well and I would like to welcome the new families who have joined our school. We have a busy second half year ahead so please keep an eye on our Facebook page and newsletters as more information becomes available.

I know many of you will have been watching the Commonwealth Games and is great to have good news to report with our amazing performances from NZ athletes and those from our Pacific neighbours.



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Attendance Matters

During term 2 our average attendance rate was 80%. This indicates we still have a considerable amount of illness in our community. Please keep warm and safe during the winter months. If your child is unwell please keep them home and remember to contact the school office.

Kelston Schools Kāhui Ako meeting

On **Wednesday 24 August school will be closing at 12.40pm** as the teachers in all of the Kelston Schools are attending a professional development meeting at Kelston Boys High School. Our Skids programme will be operating for children booked in.

New Court Surfaces

The work on our new court surfaces for the junior and senior school will be commencing on 25 August. This is scheduled to take place over 3 weeks so we will not have as much room at break times. Things will be difficult for a short period of time but the wait will be worth it!

From the Desk of Steven Pickett:

Inter-school Hockey Results

Last Friday four hockey teams travelled to the Waitakere Hockey Turf located at Henderson High School. It was a fantastic day with all teams doing extremely well. Our Girls A team took out the girls competition with a comfortable win in the final against Konini. Well done girls! Our Girls B team also did extremely well making it to the semi finals. Well done to both our boys teams who had a great day with our Boys A team having a close loss to Konini in the final. A big thank you to all the family members who came to support the teams and to Mrs Reader for looking after the girls teams throughout the day.





The spell-a-thon has begun! All students should have their spelling list of words to learn and their sponsorship booklet with all the information. The students have 4 weeks to learn their words

and to collect sponsors. They must bring their forms (not the money) on

Friday 2nd September, this is test day. They then have just under 3 weeks to collect the money and return it to school. All money must be returned by Thursday 22nd September. 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. Good luck everyone!



Coming Events:

Wednesday 31 st August	Interschool Rugby Tournament
Wednesday 24 August	School Closes 12.40pm
Friday 2 nd September	Spellathon Test Day
Wednesday 21 September	Interschool Netball
Thursday 22 September	Last day for Spellathon sponsor money
Friday 23 September	Lunchtime Disco
Friday 30 th 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, 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.

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Green Bay Primary & Intermediate School 2022 Intermediate Open Day

- **When:** *Thursday 1 September 2022*
- **Where:** *Green Bay Primary & Intermediate Sch, 131 Godley Road, Green Bay*
- **Venue:** *School Hall*
- **Time:** *8.50am-2.55pm (School gates open at 8.30am) or 6.30pm – 7.30pm*