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From the Desk of the Principal:

We are over halfway through our final term of 2025 and the next few weeks at school will be very busy. The teachers will soon be busy with end of year reports and we are organising our end of year awards ceremony and concert. Please note the important dates at the end of this newsletter.

Enrol Early!

If you have a child turning 5 in January, February or March 2026 you can enrol them now so that they will be ready to start school on their 5th birthday. You may also wish to arrange visits to school before their start date. New enrolments need to provide a birth certificate or passport and visits can be arranged by contacting the school office or Miss Gardner.

Attendance and Punctuality Trophies - I am pleased to announce the following class winners for our new awards from the end of term 3.

Beat the Bell trophy - The class with the least number of children arriving at school late over each half term – Congratulations to:

Years 1-3 - Room 15 (formerly Rm 17) Years 4-6 - Room 1

Attendance Avengers trophy. - Best attendance trophy for each area – Congratulations to:

Years 1-3 - Room 15 (formerly Rm 17) Years 4-6 - Room 6



Athletics Day

I would like to thank all the parents and whānau who supported us at the Trusts stadium last week for our school athletics day. It was a great day with outstanding weather. Thanks also to the Kelston Boys High boys and Mrs Duggan's son Stephen as well as the many parent helpers and of course our staff, for assisting with events, as well as Mr Pickett for his great organisation!

Education Review Office Visit.



Last week the Education Review Office (ERO) visited our school. We received outstanding feedback on our teaching programmes and the environment we provide for our students. I am very proud of the way our school is performing and I look forward to sharing the written report.

From the Desk of Mr Pickett:

Whole School Athletics Day - Trust Arena

Wow! What a day we had on Friday. The sun was shining, the students were smiling, and everyone had a great day. Congratulations to all our place-getters. Certificates will be handed out later in the term. A big thank you to all our amazing helpers, including our Year 10s from Kelston Boys'. A special thank you to Mrs Duggan and her son Stephen for helping me set up and pack down, greatly appreciated as always! 😊 Selected 8 - 11-year-old students will represent Kelston Primary at the Inter-school Athletics Day on Tuesday 25th of November.



Year 5/6 City Walk

Next Friday, 21st November, the four Year 5/6 classes are travelling into the city to explore its key spots by completing a scavenger hunt. We will be walking up to Fruitvale Train Station, catching the train to Britomart (now called Waitamatā) Station. The classes will then start in 4 different locations and complete a loop of the city, including sights such as Queen St, Albert Park, The Sky Tower, Britomart, Quay St, The Viaduct and Wynyard Quarter. It is a great day out and we are looking forward to it! 😊

Coming Events:

Friday 21 st November	Yr 5 & 6 City Walk
Tuesday 25 th November	Interschool Athletics
Wednesday 10 December	End of Year Concert/Prizegiving
Friday 12 th December	Reports go home
Monday 15 th December	Certificate Assembly
Wednesday 17 th December	Last Day of School – 1.00pm Finish

Duffy \$5.00 Book Offer.

Last day for the Duffy \$5 book offer is this Friday Please return the form and money to school by the end of Friday 14th November. Delivery will be in December.



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.