



KIA ORA GREETINGS

From the Desk of the Principal

I would like to welcome everyone back to the second term of 2019. We have a busy term ahead and I hope the children are rested and ready to go.

Sometime this week you should receive a nomination form in the post 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.

Staff News

I would like to welcome Miss Featherstone back to Room 6 following her time overseas.



Attendance Trophy



Congratulations to Room 4 for winning the Attendance Trophy for the end of last term.

Unattended children

Lately there have been a number of incidents in which children have not been collected from school at home time. Some children are being left unattended for more than an hour after school. This is placing them at high risk, as teachers are not always available due to meetings and other duties. If you are unable to pick up your child at 3pm please enrol them in our Skids after school programme. It is illegal to leave children unattended after school hours and in terms of safety we may have to report such cases to the Police or Oranga Tamariki.

From the Desk of Steven Pickett:

Senior School City Walk

This Tuesday 7 May all the senior classes are travelling into the city for our city walk experience. We are walking to Fruitvale Train Station to catch the 9.55am train to Britomart. Once in the city, the classes will split up and follow an assigned route around the city.

The students will be put into small groups and given an ipad. The ipad has their map to follow along with their questions, which they must solve by finding the answer and taking a photo of it. It is a fantastic scavenger hunt that helps the students explore the city. Each class has a slightly different starting point with all groups finishing back at Britomart by 1.50pm at the latest.



We will be catching the 2pm train back to Fruitvale Train Station and should arrive at school just before 3pm. We need at least 3 parent helpers per class to help make this trip happen. If you are able to help us, please let your classroom teacher know as soon as possible. Cost is \$8.00 per student.



Year 5/6 Saturday Netball



This Saturday our two Year 5/6 teams have their first games. I would like to say a huge thank you to our volunteer coaches who have given up their time to train and manage the teams. Verity Larraman is coaching the Kerehana Y6 Red team and David Makeef is coaching the Kerehana Y6 Blue team. They have begun training this week and we wish them well for their first game for 2019. The teams would love all the support they can get. Check out the game times below. :)

Game times:

Kelston Kerehana Blue Team v HVS Mighty Mokoroas 9.20am on Court 6

Kelston Kerehana Red Team v Prospect Panthers 10.10am on Court 12.

From the Desk of Elise Gardner:



Middle School Arataki Visits – These are happening in May – Tuesday the 14 for Rooms 6&7, the 15th May for Rooms 8 & 18. Parent helpers needed, but please no pre-schoolers. Please check your child's school bag if you have not seen a notice for this – Cost is \$10.00 per child.

Junior School Howick Historic Visit – 31st May – notices will be coming home sometime soon for this.

Coming Events:

Tues 7 th May	Senior School City Walk
Tues & Wed 14 & 15 May	Middle School Arataki Visits
Wed 15 th May	Hiwi the Kiwi Free show at school.
Thurs 23 rd May	BOT meeting 7.30pm
Mon 27 th May	Interschool Basketball
Fri 31 st May	Junior School Howick Historic Village Visit
Mon 3 rd June	Queen's Birthday – no school
Fri 7 th June	Jnr School Grandparents Day Principal's Assembly 2.15pm
Wed 12 th June	Western Zone Rugby
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.