



KIA ORA GREETINGS

From the Desk of the Principal

It is good to see so many children who have returned to school after the recent Easter/school holiday break. We have an exciting term planned and will be operating normally for the first time in nearly a year.

Teacher Only Day

School will be closed on Friday 27 May for students as the teaching staff will be undergoing training based on changes to the NZ Curriculum.



The Skids programme will be operating from the school hall for parents requiring supervision for their children.

From the Desk of Steven Pickett:

New Zealand Sign Language Week 2022

Here at Kelston Primary we have 2 satellite Deaf Education Classes. This week is New Zealand Sign Language Week. New Zealand Sign Language (NZSL) is uniquely ours and one of the three official languages of Aotearoa.

It is the language of New Zealand's Deaf community that combines the use of the hands, body and facial expressions. It is a language that is ESSENTIAL and for everyone.

We've seen lots of examples of NZSL in use over the past few years. When our Prime Minister (Jacinda Ardern) and Director General of Health (Ashley Bloomfield) update us on Covid-19, they always have someone translating what they say in NZSL.

New Zealand Sign Language week is the perfect time to learn the basics and try signing with your family and friends. Give it a go!

NZSL ALPHABET

Have fun with your whānau, family and friends. Learn your name and teach others theirs!

NOTE: NZSL grammar structure is different to English. Just sign 'my name what?', then fingerspell your name.

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Pink Shirt Day



On Friday 20 May our Junior School students will be away on a trip to the zoo. The Middle and Senior school students can wear a pink shirt to school to celebrate the anti-bullying message for Pink Shirt Day. A gold coin for a donation to the Mental Health Foundation would be appreciated on the day.



Coming Events: Yay trips and sport are back on!!!!

Tuesday 17 th May	Interschool Cross Country
Friday 20 th May	Junior School Zoo Trip
Tuesday 24 th May	Western Rugby League Tournament
Friday 27 th May	Teacher Only Day
Tuesday 31 May	Snow Planet Trip – Rm 3
Friday 3 rd June	Principal's Assembly 2.15pm
Monday 6 th June	Queens Birthday – no school
Wed 8 th June	Inter School Rippa Rugby
Friday 17 th June	Yr 6 Kelston Intermediate Transition day
Friday 24 th June	Matariki Public Holiday – so school
Tuesday 28 th June	MOTAT Trip – Rms 2 & 4
Wednesday 29 June	MOTAT Trip – Rms 1 & 3
Friday 1 st July	Reports Go Home
Friday 8 th July	Principals Assembly 2.15pm End of Term 2
Monday 25 th July	Term 3 Starts

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.

Lost and Found

We have a small red bike at school – If anyone knows who it might belong to please contact us so we can return it to the owner.