



**KIA ORA GREETINGS**

**From the Desk of the Principal**

The term is drawing to an end and we have a busy time ahead before the Easter break. School will close at 3pm on Friday 12 April and we will open for term 2 on Monday 29 April.

**Staff News**

Mrs Raju has done a fantastic job teaching in Room 6. Next term Miss Featherstone will be returning from her time overseas. Mrs Raju will still be helping us out as a relief teacher but I would like to take the opportunity to thank her for getting Room 6 off to a great start in 2019 as well as covering Room 6 in 2018. She has also carried on the great work of our environmental group with transforming our school gardens.

**Parent/Teacher Interviews 10 April** – Thank you to all those who have already returned their parent interview forms for appointments. If you have not seen yours, please check your child’s bag. We have spare copies at the school office if you require. Please also check the school bags for the notice with your appointment times on it. Please note that school will close for all students at 12.30pm on Wednesday 10 April.

**Principal’s Assembly**

At 2.15pm on Friday 12 April I will be having my end of term assembly. Parents are most welcome to attend.

**Board of Trustee Elections**

During the holidays you will be receiving nomination forms in the post for the Board of Trustee Elections – If you know of someone who you think would be a great candidate for our board then please talk to them and use your form to nominate them, like wise if you would like to put your name forward for the election please ask another parent or caregiver to nominate you. You can find out more about what being a trustee involves at <https://www.trustee-election.co.nz/>

**From the Desk of Steven Pickett:**

**School Cross Country**

On Thursday last week, we had our Whole School Cross Country Event. We ran things a little differently this year, giving the students aged 7-10 years the choice to run or not. We had over 70 students choose to run which was fantastic. Check out all the winners below.

	<b>5 Yr Boys</b>	<b>5 Yr Girls</b>	<b>6 Yr Boys</b>	<b>6 Yr Girls</b>
1 <sup>st</sup>	Tangaroa Campbell	Timaima Tikoisuva	Kevyn Tristao	Dabrilou Tuua Solomona
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Timothy Tavita	Gardenia Malimali	Tom Fanguna	Ifra Nisar
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Brax Ginger	Seini Tupou	Fortune Aupouri	Maanvi Kumar
	<b>7 Yr Boys</b>	<b>7 Yr Girls</b>	<b>8 Yr Boys</b>	<b>8 Yr Girls</b>
1 <sup>st</sup>	Aloese Paupau	Fiana Fanguana	Kori Tuck-Murphy	Marlee Croft-Mawi
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Jaden Clarke	Kololaine Sika	Eehan Chand	Waelen Noda
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Jono Fukofuka	Azayliah Folau	Finn McGregor	Nethupahan Dewage
	<b>9 Yr Boys</b>	<b>9 Yr Girls</b>	<b>10 Yr Boys</b>	<b>10 Yr Girls</b>
1 <sup>st</sup>	Karzan Saber	Hannaj Taateo	Cikky Wang	Maia Croft –Mawi
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Cyndee Ihimaera	Lavinia Henry	Charlie Stevens	Thamilarasy Vijeratnam
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Nathandavid Tapusoa	Sienna Stil	Nikau Wright	Freya Atendido

To add to our cross country, we introduced a fun race for all students in the middle and senior classes. The students had to complete a variety of challenges and transition activities to progress around the course. It was a lot of fun and the kids did more running than they thought!



### Interschool Cross Country

Yesterday we took a team of 21 students to the Interschool Cross Country held at Konini Primary School. The team did very well, putting together a fantastic team performance. Cikky Wang was our top runner finishing 5th in the 10-Year-Old Boys race with Karzan Saber finishing 10th and Maia Croft-Mawi 17th in their races. We also had a couple of other runners who finished in the top 20. Well done team! A big thank you to Mrs Duggan, her son Stephen and to the parents who came and helped out. Your help and support is greatly appreciated.



### Netball Teams 2019

A big thank you to those that have returned the netball notice. We will be finalising teams early next week. At this stage, we are in need of volunteers to coach and/or manage the Year 3 and Year 4 teams. If you can help us, please indicate on the bottom of the netball reply slip or contact me at school on 8272187 or [spickett@kelstonprimary.school.nz](mailto:spickett@kelstonprimary.school.nz). If we do not find volunteers we may not be able to offer netball for Year 3 and 4 this year.

### Coming Events:

Tues 9 April	Free show at school – The Turtle & the Plastic Bag Show.
Wed 10 April	Parent/Teacher Interviews
Thurs. 11 April	Positive Power Buddy Afternoon
Fri 12 April	Last Day of Term
Mon 29 April	Term 2 Begins

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.

### 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](mailto: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.