



From the Desk of the Principal:

The teachers are busy preparing end of year reports and preparing for our end of year concert and prizegiving. Our end of year concert and **prizegiving** is on **Wednesday 11 December 6-7.30pm**. Please keep this night free, it is always a great event. We are hoping for some fine weather so we can have it outside.

New Enrolments - Just a reminder that if you have a child turning 5 early next year you can enrol them now. We can also arrange school visits before they start school. Just remember to bring a Passport or Birth Certificate to the school office.

Attendance Trophy



Congratulations to **Room 3** for winning the Attendance Trophy for the first half of this term.

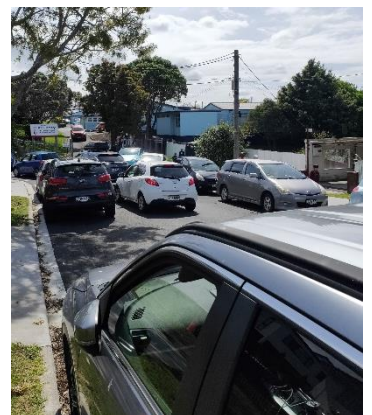


Cycle and scooter safety - Our school follows safe scooter and cycle safety as part of our Bikewise programme. Children are welcome to bring bikes or scooters to school but **must wear helmets** and walk them in the school grounds. They may ride them on our designated bike track.



Whole school athletics day - It was great that so many parents and whānau could join us last Wednesday for our whole school athletics at the Trusts stadium. I would like to thank the staff and parent helpers as well as special thanks to Mr Pickett and Mrs Duggan for their wonderful organisation.

Parking – Once again we are having parking issues at the Riverview gate after school. Please do not stop/park on the yellow lines or in private driveways.



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From the Desk of Mr Pickett: - Week 6/7 events - recap

Inter-school Soccer: Last week was a hectic week! We had inter-school soccer on Tuesday with our Girls' Team 2 and our Girls' Yr 3/4 teams winning their grades. Congratulations to both teams for their outstanding effort.



Athletics Day: On Wednesday, we had our whole school athletics day at the Trusts Stadium Track & Field in Henderson. Although we had a bit of rain in the middle, we managed to get through most of our events. It was so great to see all the kids dressed in their age group colours. A big thank you to all our parent helpers who helped us with the running of the events. It was a great team effort and a great day of athletics! There have been some awesome photos posted on our facebook page.



Rainbow's End Trip: We ended the week with a trip to Rainbow's End for our Year 6 leaders and monitors. These are the ones who give up their free time to help make Kelston Primary the awesome school it is. Our Road Patrollers, Peer Mediators and Librarians work hard and made the most of a fun day at Rainbow's End. A fantastic day for all involved! 😊



Inter-school Athletics: Yesterday, we took a team of 30 students to compete in the Inter-school Athletics Day once again held at the Trusts Stadium Track & Field. There was some tough competition from our nine local primary schools. Our students did themselves and the school proud by giving 100% and having a fantastic attitude at all times. We had some great results; these will be shared once all the results have been collated.

End of Year Concert & Prizegiving: A number of our cultural groups will be performing, plus whole school singing and of course our top Year 1 & 2, Year 3 & 4 and Year 5 & 6 awards will be presented. This is also the night when our Year 6s receive their official leaving certificate and sing us their leaving song. More information will be coming home with a notice early next week. Save the date and watch this space! 😊

Gumboot Friday – raised \$345.80 – we will pass this on to the charity – Thank you all.

Kelston Music Centre: offers group tuition in guitar, keyboard and violin. Classes are held at Kelston Primary School on Saturday mornings 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. The classes are taken by qualified tutors.. The classes are subsidised by Ministry of Education and some instruments are available for students to hire. **Enrolments for the 2025 year will open from the first week of December** and can be completed online via the **Kelston Music Centre Website:** www.kelstonmusic.org.nz. For enrolment queries please email info@kelstonmusic.org.nz.

Coming Events:

Wednesday 11 th December	School Concert and Prizegiving
Thursday 19 th December	School Finishes Y0-5
Friday 20 th December	Yr 6 Graduation Party (morning)
Monday 3 rd February 2025	Teacher Only Day – Office Open
Tuesday 4 th February	First Day of School
Thursday 6 th February	Waitangi Day – No school
Friday 7 th February	Teacher Only Day

