



KIA ORA GREETINGS

From the Desk of the Principal

The term is drawing to an end and this will be the last newsletter until term 2. Please note there are some important dates and events before the end of term.

I would like to thank the school community for the support you have given to the school through events such as Family Fun Night and helping with our improved attendance rate which now sits at 85%. We are seeing some excellent progress with student achievement because of increased attendance and hopefully this can grow and be maintained as we enter the difficult winter months.

Parent/Teacher Interviews



On Thursday 30th March we will be having our parent/teacher interviews for all students and school will be closing at 12.30pm. You should have received a notice yesterday on how to make an appointment to see your child’s teacher using the Skool Loop app. If you are having any difficulty with making an appointment please contact the school office.

End of Term and important Teacher Only Dates

Our school term ends on Wednesday 5 April at 3pm. All Kelston Schools will be closed on Thursday (6th April) as there is a combined Kelston Schools professional development day as part of our Kāhui Ako. Term 2 starts on Wednesday 26 April after ANZAC Day - please note the mid week start to the term, teachers will be undergoing professional development on Monday (24th April) of this week.

Attendance Trophy



Congratulations to Room 4 for winning the Attendance Trophy for the first half of this term.

Principal’s Assembly

I will be having a special end of term assembly at 2.15pm on Wednesday 5 April in the hall. All whānau are welcome to attend.

From the Desk of Steven Pickett:

Cornwallis Beach Trip - This Friday 24 March

We are excited about our beach trip this Friday. This Family Day is for all children and their families.

Children are to wear mufti and will travel to Cornwallis by bus, leaving school at approximately 9.15am, returning by 3.00pm. A BBQ lunch (for all dietary requirements) and a Lunchy snack box will be provided for every student.



(Cornwallis is a beach on the Manukau Harbour. Access is via Pine Ave off Huia Road through Titirangi)

Parents and family members are very welcome, but please arrange your own transport.

Activities include walking along the beach, swimming, playing on the beach or sport

Children need to bring

- A drink (preferably a drink bottle with water)
- sun hat and sunscreen
- swimming togs and towel
- mufti clothes, including a warm jumper/jacket and shoes for walking

Coming Events:

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| Friday 24 March | School Picnic (new date) |
| Thursday 30 March | Parent Teacher Interviews |
| Wednesday 5 th April | Last day of Term 1 |
| Thursday 6 th April | Teacher Only Day |
| Monday 24 April | Teacher Only Day |
| Tuesday 25 April | Anzac Day - no school |
| Wednesday 26 April | First Day 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**, 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.**

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

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Have you seen Turbo the Turtle

On Tuesday 7th March 2023 around 4pm a family pet turtle was able to escape his enclosure. On reviewing camera footage, an adult male was seen to stop and pick up something which it is now presumed to be Turbo, the red eared slider turtle and beloved family pet. If you have any info regarding Turbo please contact eyukich@hotmail.com

