



Kia Ora!



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From the Desk of our Principal:

I would like to thank all of our whānau and supporters who attended our Family Fun Night last Wednesday. It was a great evening and it was good to welcome so many new families to our community.

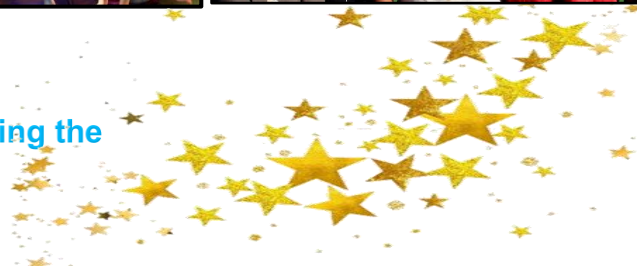
The staff and parent helpers did an outstanding job preparing for the night and making sure all the food and activities were so enjoyable for everyone.



Attendance Trophy

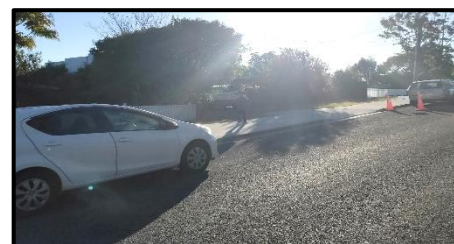


Congratulations to Room 3 for winning the First Attendance Trophy for 2025.



Riverview Road Traffic Update

A big thank you to parents and whānau for encouraging safer driving and parking at our Riverview Road entrance. We have authority from Auckland Transport for two parks outside 13B Riverview Rd that will be clear in the morning to create a flowing drop off zone for our children (see photo).



Auckland Transport have been regularly monitoring this entrance as there have been several notices of concern from our community. Please understand that our volunteers in the pink vests are trying to achieve a drop off area in the morning to stop parents from ending up with a ticket from Auckland Transport. Tickets issued are violations to the road code and are no reflection upon the school nor the parent volunteers.

Our volunteers are doing a great job keeping everybody safe and I would like to thank them for their service.

Cornwallis Picnic



Our whole school picnic at Cornwallis Beach is next Wednesday 19 March. Owen's Transport will be providing a free barbecue for all children and there will be no cost for the trip. Whānau are welcome to join us, however, space on the buses is limited so you will need to provide your own transport. Hopefully the weather will be fine!

From the Desk of Mr Pickett:

Inter-school Cricket

Yesterday, we took nearly 100 Year 4, 5 & 6 students to the inter-school cricket tournament at Riversdale Reserve in Avondale. It was an amazing day; all the players played with a great attitude and represented Kelston Primary with great pride. Lots of smiles and lots of students keen to play cricket again. Congratulations to our Girls' Team 1 for winning the Cup Competition and Girls' Team 2, who won the Shield Competition. A great effort Girls! Also, well done to our Boys' Team 1, who had a great final against a team of club cricket players from Konini, just coming up short and taking 2nd place. A big, big thank you to all the teachers, support staff and parents who came and supported the smooth running of the day. A special thank you to Mrs Duggan's son Stephen for his help with setting up the 13 cricket fields at 7am yesterday morning.

Life Education Caravan

We have had the Life Education Caravan on site since Thursday of last week. All students will have 2 sessions with the caravan before it leaves us this Friday afternoon. A big thank you to the Life Education Educator Vicky McDowall for helping our classes learn about friendships, how to make and keep them, plus the importance of kindness. Vicky has kindly offered families an opportunity to pop into the caravan this **Friday 14th March anytime from between 8:30-9.15am** to see what the children have been learning about. A great opportunity.



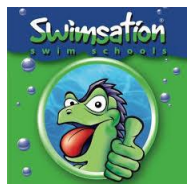
Dear Kelston Primary School Whānau,

You are invited to come and have a look at the Life Education mobile classroom!

Day: Friday 14th March 2025
Time: Pop in anytime from 8:30 to 9:15am
Who: Parents and caregivers
What: Have a look at the mobile classroom and some of the resources we have been using in our sessions.
Why: To show you what your tamariki have been learning about.

I look forward to seeing you,
Vicky

Water Safety Sessions



Next Friday, all Year 3-6 students will begin their water safety sessions at the Swimsation Swim School in Te Atatu. All these students need to bring their swimming gear each Friday (from next week) until the end of the term. A notice with more information will be coming home tomorrow.

Coming Events:

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| Tue 18 th March | Duffy Role Model Assembly 9.30am |
| Wed 19 th March | Cornwallis Beach Trip – Whole School |
| Fri 21 st March | Water Safety Pool Sessions Start Yr 3-6 |
| Wed 26 March | Board Meeting 6.30pm |
| Tues 1 st April | Cross Country/Fun Run |
| Fri 11 th April | End of Term 1 |
| Mon 28 th April | Term 2 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**, 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.



★ REGISTRATIONS ARE OPEN ★

CROSS COUNTRY RUNNING 2025

★ *all ages* ★

CHILDREN EARLY BIRD HALF PRICE MEMBERSHIP

MORE INFO: 0211 896 942 facebook/lyndaleathletic



Little Scientists April school holidays

- Space, dinos & fossils, explosions, electricity & circuits, hydraulics & pneumatics, fire, sound, light, dry ice, binary & coding, bubbles & balloons, goo, colours, our 5 senses, volcanoes, chemistry, Easter science and so much more!
- Hands on experiments!
- Spectrum specialist at each location!
- *Great adult:child ratios!
- Beautiful fully fenced grounds!

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