



Kelburn Normal School

*Where students learn creatively and strive for excellence preparing for lifelong learning
Kia auaha te ako a ngā ākonga me te whai i te iti kahurangi mō te akoranga tūroa*

The Bird's Eye View

KNS Newsletter - Friday 10th February

Week 2 Term 1 - 2017

**Tena koutou katoa nga matua me nga Kaitiaki,
Greetings to all Parents and Caregivers,**

We are so pleased with how our children have come back to school and the positive spirit that is running through the school at present.

Next week, we welcome ERO as they do their regular school audit. Staff have been extremely busy making sure we have the school looking spic and span for the review to go smoothly. ERO will be looking closely at our systems and processes around enabling our children to meet their full potential, as well as our compliance around meeting standards and government goals set by the Ministry of Education. Schools essentially are doing the same thing but in different ways. Each community and population has a unique set of circumstances and so adaptation and personalisation are required for our children as both individuals and as cohorts/groups. How each school does this requires review and so the ERO does this on behalf of our community. We look forward to welcoming them and working with them next week.

On Thursday we have our meet the teacher. We start in the school hall at 6.30pm and I will do introductions and give a quick sample on some of our goals and targets for this year. From there syndicates will be able to talk with you and answer any questions you may have as we engage with our school parents for the first time in 2017.

On Friday from 4.30pm we have our annual Magpie Lawn picnic. I am looking forward to my first Kelburn Magpie Lawn and I have heard a lot about what a wonderful event this is. This is a great chance to mingle as a community and welcome our new families and children into our Kelburn community.

One of our great strengths (pillars if you like) is our performing arts department. Our choirs and ensembles are of the highest quality. Already in 2017 the performing arts programme is in full swing with large numbers of children signing up for the groups that have met so far. Lyrica is the only group that is auditioned and is now full at 44 students; if your children haven't yet joined one of the kapa haka groups, choirs, orchestra etc, there is time for them to do so. Just a reminder that this year kapa haka has been divided into two groups- years 1-4 and years 5-8 to better meet the developmental needs of our children. The Year 5-8 group will have a performance focus. I'm also

pleased to see how many children are having private music lessons at school - we know that learning an instrument is a great boost to learning overall. We are so pleased to be able to say that we have secured the service of Tom Scrase as our drum teacher this year. Tom is an experienced drum teacher and has worked extensively as a performer, including as part of *Strike*. The office has the contact details of all our music teachers if you would like your child to receive instrumental lessons.

Can you help us? We have many parents who pitch and help our teaching staff by assisting with road patrol in the mornings/afternoons. We really appreciate this and it enables our teachers to be present before and after class. We currently have two gaps in our schedule and require help at the Kowhai Rd crossing on Tuesday and Friday afternoon. Please let the office know if you can help.

Can we please be very careful when angle parking outside Ngaio and opening car doors. There has been numerous occasions of damage to teachers cars recently. With no one leaving notes or contacting us when these events happen it is frustrating and expensive to repair for our teaching staff.

Finally, as always, teachers are available to meet with parents at any time if you would like to discuss any issue around your child at Kelburn Normal School. Please keep in touch and make contact if necessary.

Have a great weekend

Andrew

[Diary Dates](#)

February

Monday 20-23 - ERO visit

Thursday 23 - Meet the teacher (hall at 6.30pm)

Friday 24 - Whole school assembly (11am) and Magpie Lawn BBQ 4.30pm

Monday 27 Feb - March 2 - Y7-8 Camp at Erua, National Park

Monday 27 Feb - BOT mtg

March

Wednesday 8 -Thur 9 - 3-way Learning conversations

Friday 10 - Whole school assembly (11am)

Monday 13 - Junior School at Capital E festival

Tuesday 14 - Year 3 sports festival

Wednesday 15 - Lower Middles at Capital E festival

[School Term Dates 2017](#)

Term 1 Tuesday 7 February - Thursday 13 April (10 weeks)

Term 2 Monday 1 May - Friday 7 July (10 weeks)

Term 3 Monday 24 July - Friday 29 September (10 weeks)

Term 4 Monday 16 October - Wednesday 20 December (10 weeks)



Sushi Friday

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Community Notices

Sign up for the Football Season. **Waterside Karori** welcomes boys and girls to register to play for the club in 2017. By becoming part of Wellington's biggest football club you get all kinds of opportunities to play football and have lots of fun with your friends. Please register now at <http://karorifootball.co.nz/juniors/registration/>. Registrations close 28th February.

Wests Junior Rugby Club would like to invite you to play rugby this season. Our rugby season starts on May 5/6 and you can register online and check our FAQ at <http://www.wests-junior-rugby.org.nz>

The Nursery Grade is for girls and boys aged 3 – 5, before they move on to Rippa Rugby at U6.

Tackle Rugby starts at U8 and it is age and weight graded.

The club welcome and weigh-in (and a chance to ask any questions in person) will be at our club rooms at Ian Galloway Park on the 2nd (5:30 – 7:30pm) and 4th of March (1:00 – 3:00pm). At the Saturday session we will have the Rugby World Cup so kids and parents can get a photo with the greatest trophy in world rugby !

Springboard & Platform Diving at Kilbirnie Pool

Wellington Diving Club has a range of diving classes for kids aged 5 years and up. Why not try something new this year? Visit our website and come along for a free trial! We have several after-school sessions and cater for kids of any level from beginners to competitive. We also run fun casual sessions on Sundays. For more information, please visit our website www.wellingtondiving.org.nz or call/text Barbara on 027-485-8888.

MSP Junior Rugby has built one of Wellington's proudest and most successful sports clubs.

The club is about children enjoying their sport and developing their skills in a fun, safe and family oriented environment. Come and check out our vibrant club culture with a strong family atmosphere!

Register online at www.msprugby.co.nz or come to one of our registration events at the MSP gym (next to St Pats College artificial turf) on Saturday 18th February 1pm to 3pm, Wednesday 22nd February 5pm to 6:30pm and Sunday 26th February 12pm to 1:30pm. Not sure? Email us at mspjuniorrugby@gmail.com or check out our Facebook page for more.

Harbour City Junior Hockey - registrations are now open for the 2017 season! We are an established club with players from across Wellington, giving boys and the girls the chance to play hockey in a fun and friendly environment. In 2017 we will have multiple teams for players from Year 3 – 8 and the 'Funsticks' programme for Year 1-2. New players are always welcome! Register on-line at www.hcjh.org.nz. For more information e-mail harbourcityjh@gmail.com or ring 0212 763 222.

Kelburn Brownies have places available in 2017 for girls aged 7 to 9 ½ years. Brownies encourages girls to become more aware and independent through a varied programme of activities. We meet Tuesdays 4.30pm - 6pm in Kelburn. Please contact Katrina at kelburnbrownies@gmail.com for more information or to reserve a place for your daughter.

[Bassoon lessons](#) in Kelburn/Highbury for Yr 6, 7, & 8. ABRSM and Trinity exams available. Why the bassoon? Call Penny Miles (BMus, MMus) to find out how your daughter/son can join the orchestra/jazz band now or put in the prep for college, 021 644 800, penmiles@gmail.com.

[Karori Arts & Crafts, 7 Beauchamp Street, Karori Art Classes](#)

Thursday 9 Feb ART FOR 5-7yrs 3.45-4.45pm \$80 for 8 weeks

Learn how to draw, paint, make collage and sculpture in a fun environment.

Tuesday 14 Feb DRAWING for 11-14yrs 4.35-5.35pm \$105 for 8 weeks

Learn to draw realistically using various techniques that include line, tone and value.

FREE OPEN DAY - Sunday 12 February

KACC's Adventure Game Club. From 10am to 12pm or 1-3pm children 6yr+ welcome with their families. Games and teaching provided.

See website for details www.craftsandarts.co.nz

[Mindfulness classes for kids aged 7-12 years - Wed 4.30-5pm Register](#)

[Register now](#) for your free trial lesson ongoing fee \$20 per class. These ongoing weekly kids classes are fun and interactive.

Your kids will enjoy learning and practicing key mindfulness exercises and techniques to help them manage stress and anxiety, focus and concentrate, be resilient and promote healthy friendships.

Adults classes

Enjoy three 60-minute escapes with Ovio's Mindfulness One workshops.

\$95 includes three 1-hour classes, a workbook, audio downloads, and a mindfulness journal.

Course starts 17th Feb 9am [Find out more](#) Course starts 14th Feb 7.30pm [Find out more](#)

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[Qualified Nanny Available](#)

If you are busy with a young family and looking for some assistance I would love to help you.

I am qualified, experienced and really enjoy working with babies, toddlers and children

My name is Amelia. I have trained with the Wellington Nanny College completing the Certificate in Early Childhood Education. I also have a current St John's Comprehensive First Aid Child Certificate, Children and Water Certificate from Swimming New Zealand and Fire Safety Certificate.

I have cared for a range of children from newborn to 12 years old. I've also worked with children with allergies and food intolerances. I am friendly, reliable and well organised. I am flexible with hours and days and I can nanny share. Referees and CV available. Amelia **027 699 0946**

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Open Day

Sunday 19th March, 10am-2pm

At the Life Flight Air Rescue Centre
(near The Warehouse, Lyall Bay)

Spot prizes, delicious food and entertainment
with all proceeds going to Life Flight

Entry by donation

WIN a flight on Life Flight's
Westpac Rescue Helicopter!

Special effects make-up by
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OBU Kids Rugby 2017

'Mud Free Rugby!!!'

With our great facilities at Boyd-Wilson Field and our committed coaches & management team, we aim to give 4 - 10 year olds a great Rugby experience.

Ages 4 to 7 get to play at 'home' every week on the artificial pitch. Same place, same time, no worries about different places, times, field closures or rescheduling!

Under 9's 10's will play games away and at home grounds of Nairnville in Khandallah (or at Boyd Wilson on certification).

Come and join the fun at our
Junior Club Days at Boyd-Wilson
9am – 11.30pm
Sunday 19 February
and
Sunday 12 March

For more information & to register go to www.oburugby.com or contact

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