

# KELBURN NORMAL SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

## NGĀ TĀTARAKIHI O AHUMAIRANGI PĀNUI

THE BIRD'S EYE VIEW ISSUE 35 WEEK 7, TERM 4 2024

RĀHINA 25 WHIRINGA-Ā-RANGI ~ MONDAY 25 NOVEMBER



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

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**Wednesday 27 November** - A Musical Refreshment @ St Andrew's on The Terrace @ 6 pm

**Thursday 28 November** - Tupu Swimming

Kia ora koutou e te whānau,

Week 7! We are less than a month away from the end of the school year. While we are very busy, we are still committed to our teaching and learning and expecting our tamariki to be doing their best work (pūkengatanga), showing manaakitanga (care) and whānaungatanga (connections) as we go along together in our last month. We had an enjoyable school hui led by Whānui last Friday, which showed our kura in a good heart.

**Boundary Road Parking** - It has been noted that vehicles are frequently parking on the footpath at the top of Boundary Road during school drop-off and pick-up times. This practice creates a safety hazard, particularly for children walking to and from school. Many students are unaware of vehicles pulling onto or driving off the footpath, which increases the risk of accidents. We urge all drivers to prioritise safety by refraining from parking on the footpath and driving cautiously in this area. Please remember this area has yellow lines, so stopping or parking are unavailable. Thank you for helping to keep all our tamariki safe.

**Hong Kong students** - We want to thank Angie and Janice, student teachers from Hong Kong, who have been in our kura for the last three weeks, based in Whānui. We have enjoyed hosting them and know how much they have enjoyed being part of our kura.

**End of Year Reports** - staff are busy finishing up the end-of-year reports. Tamariki end-of-year reports will be available online and will be issued at the end of week 9. The report summarises the children's general progress and achievement in key aspects of the curriculum. Be aware that these are broad grades indicating how well they are travelling against the appropriate expected level of the curriculum. Complementing the report is a set of comments that are both reflective of what they can do as well as being future-focussed by identifying what they need to work on in the key curriculums of English and Maths. A general comment summarises their Key Competencies for learning. We encourage you to slowly read them one line at a time and talk to your child about what this may mean for them going forward. Like last year, you will not receive a printed copy, and these will be live through the school app.

**Musical Refreshment this Wednesday, 27th November 6pm** - we have our annual Musical Refreshment at St Andrew's on The Terrace this Wednesday @ 6pm. This is always a stunning presentation and a chance to showcase our ensembles, their collaboration and the amazing skills of our music teachers. We will have performances from the Orchestra, XyloBeats, Piccolo, Lyrica, Senior Kapa Haka, some of our music ensemble, and our music teachers. *Our orchestra performers are asked to arrive at 5:30pm, Lyrica at 5:40pm, and all other performers at 5:45pm. Thanks.*

**World Children's Day- Parliamentary Forum for Children's Rights** - As part of UNICEF Aotearoa's World Children's Day Parliamentary Forum for Children's Rights, some of our Māia students got up early last Wednesday to hear from passionate young people and decision-makers for a breakfast session in the Great Hall at Parliament...as well as bumping into some of today's politicians as they began their day! Two of our students were asked for their thoughts by Radio NZ. [Check out the article here.](#)

**Inter- Zone Athletic results** - Congratulations to Makayla W who won the Year 6 High Jump at Inter-Zone Athletics recently. Makayla now gets to compete at the regionals.

**Bike Racks** - We would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to Andrew and the team at iRide NZ Bike shop for their generous donation of bike racks to our school. The racks provide a secure and convenient place for students and staff to park their bicycles. We are grateful for your donation.

**Celebration of Learning on 4 December** - Another key date for your diaries is next Wednesday the 4th of December when students host their whānau at the final Celebration of Learning for the year from 3pm until 5pm.

**Next year enrolments 2025** - If you have tamariki or siblings turning 5 next year, please let us know or complete the enrolment form on our website so we can plan for their arrival. If your whānau is moving and your child may be attending another school, please let us know too...it helps us plan our organisation for 2025.

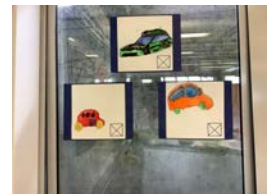
**Last day of the year** - A reminder that school on Wednesday, 18 December at midday.

Ngā manaakitanga,  
Andrew

## What's the latest update from the Tupu team?



In **Tupu Whā**, we have been learning about voting. We enjoyed voting on a couple of different topics that were important to us, including which were cleverer bees or plants and what we would choose if we could only play with either Lego or cars. To do this, we have been sitting in a democracy circle and placing a sticker on our choice. While we have been doing this, we have been learning that it is important that everyone has a chance to say what they think. We have also been noticing that it is interesting when we disagree with each other because we can find out what other people think. After



we voted between cars and Lego, we wrote about our choice, and then we drew and painted it.



**Tupu Tahī** has been reading a lot about the different adventures of a kiwi in our readers. We have discovered so many interesting facts. We now know that they are the only bird in the world to have nostrils at the end of their beak. This helps the kiwi to sniff out food in leaves and even beneath the soil. Kiwis also have cat-like whiskers. The kiwi has tiny wings, but cannot fly. It is a curious bird with strong legs and no tail. And a kiwi has loose, hair-like feathers. Go the mighty kiwi.



**Tupu Toru** has been reviewing and building on our knowledge of the four operations. We have especially enjoyed developing our multiplicative skills by using Lego and playdough to join equal groups of two, and then five. For the two times table, we used a two-piece Lego block and stamped it into the playdough. To represent  $2 \times 6$ , we stamped the piece six times into the playdough. We then counted to check that we had found the correct product. We are looking forward to continuing our numeracy mahi, hopefully with some equally engaging activities.



**Tupu Rua** are thoroughly enjoying their

exploration of our science topic on plant growth. We've been hands-on, growing a variety of vegetable plants and flowers from seed, and discovering what makes them thrive. Through careful observation, the tamariki have learned how soil, sunlight, and water work together to support healthy growth. We check

on our plants, measuring their progress and marvelling at the tiny changes. It's been exciting to see their curiosity blossom as we ask questions and nurture our little gardens.



**What will we be up to next in the Tupu team...stay tuned to find out in 2025.**

## Looking Ahead - Event Dates - Term 4, 2024

You can see the times and add these events to your calendar by using the KNS App

Week	Date	Event
<b>Week 7</b>	Monday 25 November	PTA Meeting in Tupu space @ 7 pm; Calendar Art and Scholastic Book orders close
	Tuesday 26 November	Whānui Swimming 10am - 1pm
	Wednesday 27 November	Musical Refreshment @ St Andrew's on The Terrace @ 6 pm - Orchestra/ Xylobeats/Piccolo/Lyrica/Senior Kapa Haka and Recorder ensemble
	Thursday 28 November	Wellington College Orientation day (Parents please contact the school office if your child is attending) Tupu Swimming - Tahi depart @ 9.30am for 10am lesson, Rua depart at 10am for 10.30am lesson, Toru depart at 10.30am for 11am lesson, Wha depart at 11am for 11.30am lesson

	Friday 29 November	Tech Year:8 12:15pm - 3pm
<b>Week 8</b>	Monday 2 December	Y8s vrs staff Netball @ 1pm, BoT meeting @ 6.30 pm
	Tuesday 3 December	Gardasil Y7 second dose, Ara Transition activity 1.45 pm - 2.50 pm Whānui Swimming 10am - 1pm
	Wednesday 4 December	WGC Drama Presentation, Celebration of Learning 3pm - 5pm
	Thursday 5 December	Tupu Swimming - Tahi depart @ 9.30am for 10am lesson, Rua depart at 10am for 10.30am lesson, Toru depart at 10.30am for 11am lesson, Wha depart at 11am for 11.30am lesson Tech Year:7 12:15pm - 3pm
	Friday 6 December	School hui @ 10 am hosted by Whanake - Junior kapa haka Tech Year:8 12:15pm - 3pm
<b>Week 9</b>	Tuesday 10 December	Whanake Rogaine - 9.30am - 12.30pm, Whānui Swimming 10am - 1pm, Māia Rogaine 12pm - 3pm
	Wednesday 11 December	Band concert @ 1 pm
	Thursday 12 December	Y8 Leavers Celebration
	Friday 13 December	Andrew Bird's farewell hui at 10 am
	Sunday 15 December	Carol Service at St Michael's (Lyrica) @ 5pm - 6 pm
<b>Week 10</b>	Monday 16 December	Xmas hui @ 2pm
	Tuesday 17 December	Whānui Swimming 10am - 1pm
	Wednesday 18 December	<b>School finishes at 12 noon</b>

It's great that your child is doing road patrol in 2025. Can you help them out?

We are seeking **parent helpers** to supervise the 2025 student road patrollers.

Road patrol duty is:

- 30 minutes
- once a week
- before **or** after school

Join the **friendly team** of parent volunteers who assist in keeping our children safe. (cover is available if a volunteer has another commitment during their normal shift)

This is a great way to **be seen** helping the school community, and saves the school money!

Please text Claire on 021 537 567 if you are able to help.

P.S. Orange really suits you :)

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## PTA News

**Calendar Art** - This is your last chance to place your Calendar Art order! Orders close at 11:30pm **TONIGHT** (25/11). Some fabulous work was done earlier in the year by each class at school. If you missed the first time's order, or you want to order more, please follow the below instructions.

Follow these instructions to place your order online:

1/. Go to [www.kidsartworks.com](http://www.kidsartworks.com)

2/. Use the Entrance Code: KZ1943

3/. Enter your child's room & name when prompted.

Payment can be made over the website via credit card or account2account.

If you have any questions please email [pta@kelburnnormal.school.nz](mailto:pta@kelburnnormal.school.nz)

**Scholastic BookClub** - Orders close tonight for Issue 8. This is the last issue of 2024. Books will be delivered to school and given to your child during class or if you mark them as GIFT they will be kept at the school office for you to collect.

### Yummy Stickers

Thank you to everyone who submitted "Yummy" stickers/cutouts. This year we submitted 3316 stickers/cutouts. The Yummy Fruit Company have advised that we have \$455 to spend on sports gear. Keep munching those "Yummy" apples and collecting the stickers/cutouts for next year. You can find the Sticker Collection Sheet [here](#)

## School Notices - [click the link to view previous school notices](#)

Our public health registered nurses are coming to your school in the week starting 02 December 2024 to provide immunisation for the Year 7 (and in some cases year 8) tamariki who have returned their immunisation form giving consent.

- If you have changed your mind or your situation has changed please contact us at [res-immunisation@huttvalleydhb.org.nz](mailto:res-immunisation@huttvalleydhb.org.nz), or call us on 04 587 2949
- If you have not yet consented, but want to, please collect a consent form from the school office or contact us on 04 587 2949
- If you declined the vaccines last year but you have changed your mind and you now want your year 8 child to receive the vaccine(s) please collect a consent form from the school office or contact us on 04 587 2949
- If you have any questions or concerns please contact us at [res-immunisation@huttvalleydhb.org.nz](mailto:res-immunisation@huttvalleydhb.org.nz), or call us on 04 587 2949

### KNS Parent Chat WhatsApp Group

The PTA has a WhatsApp group to enable all the KNS community to communicate with each other about all things KNS. If you want to join this group, please email us on [pta@kelburnnormal.school.nz](mailto:pta@kelburnnormal.school.nz) with the following information:

- Your name
- Your phone number
- Your child's name and class

**School App - Contact Details** - Please check your contact details on the school app to ensure we have the correct details. If changes are needed please email these to [admin@kelburnnormal.school.nz](mailto:admin@kelburnnormal.school.nz)

**Teacher Messages** - a sort option has been added to the teacher messages section on the school app so parents can easily search for the latest message in date order.

**Downloading the app** - for those needing assistance with downloading the app please check the app [login video](#) on our website for parents

**EzLunch Menu** - Subway Wednesday / Pizza Thursday / Sushi Friday [Click here for the Menu](#)

## School Clubs and Ensembles Timetable

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>Xylobeats</b> - (Ys 4,5, 6) 8.30 - 9.30am Katharina Mahler Room	<b>Orchestra</b> - 8.30 - 9.30am Katharina & Rachel Mahler Room	<b>Piccolo</b> - (Yrs 4, 5, 6, 7) 8.30 - 9.30am Anna Sedcole Mahler Room	<b>Lyrical</b> - Yrs 5 - 8 8.30am-9.30 am Anna Sedcole Mahler Room	<b>Little Xylofun</b> (Ys 2 & 3) 8.30 - 9.00am Katharina Mahler Room
<b>Kapa Haka</b> - Y1-4 1.30 - 2pm Miss Bishop & Jeremy Hall	<b>Code Club</b> - 1.10 - 1.40pm Miss Bishop/Miss Sanders Māia space	<b>Tui Choir</b> - (Years 2 & 3) 8:50am Ms Wilby Hall		<b>Kapa Haka</b> - Yrs 5 - 8 8.30 - 9.30am Mrs Smith&Ms Rasmussen Hall
		<b>Chess Club</b> - 1.10 - 1.40pm Mr Miller Māia space		<b>Eco Club</b> - 1.10-1.40pm Miss Molloy Tupu space

## School Term Dates 2024

Term	Start Date	End Date	Public Holidays/Teacher Only Days
Term 4	Monday 14 October	Wednesday 18 December	<b>Monday 28 October - Labour Day</b> <b>Tuesday 29 October - Teacher Only Day</b>

## School Term Dates 2025

Term	Start Date	End Date	Public Holidays/Teacher Only Days
Term 1	Monday 3 February	Friday 11 April	<b>Thursday 6 February - Waitangi Day</b> <b>Friday 21 March - Kāhui Ako Teacher Only Day</b>
Term 2	Monday 28 April	Friday 27 June	<b>Monday 2 June - King's Birthday</b> <b>Friday 20 June Matariki</b>
Term 3	Monday 14 July	Friday 19 September	<b>Friday 29 August - Teacher Only Day</b>
Term 4	Monday 6 October	Thursday 18 December	<b>Monday 27 October - Labour Day</b> <b>Tuesday 28 October - Teacher Only Day</b>

### Kelly Club - Check us out on Facebook - [Click Here](#)

For enrolments and enquiries, contact the Supervisor on 021 744636 or [kelnburnnormal@kellyclub.co.nz](mailto:kelnburnnormal@kellyclub.co.nz)

Kelly Club Programmes focus on giving children aged between 5 and 13 the opportunity to do things they enjoy in a safe, supportive, and encouraging environment.

Kelburn to Enrol go to [www.kellyclub.co.nz](http://www.kellyclub.co.nz)

### Kelly Club - Changes to Childcare Assistance - check if you qualify!

More families will now qualify for Childcare Assistance and the rate will increase for those already qualified, which means you may be eligible for assistance to send your child to Kelly Club. Please follow this link to find out more:

### [Child Subsidies](#)

KELLY CLUB		TERM 4 2024	Weekly Theme Planner
		14 October - 30 December	Kelly Club Kelburn Normal
Wk 1 14 Oct	Cartoons & Comics		Step into a cartoon world full of your favourite characters.
Wk 2 21 Oct	Wheels Week		Get ready for some wheely good fun at Kelly Club this week.
Wk 3 28 Oct	Scary & Spooky		All things spooky, messy and fun this Halloween!
Wk 4 4 Nov	Crafty Kids		Get creative and take home some clever creations.
Wk 5 11 Nov	Kids Choice		It's up to you what we do at Kelly Club this week.
Wk 6 18 Nov	Colourpop!		Join us at Kelly Club where vibrant hues and creative flair collide!
Wk 7 25 Nov	Staff Choice		The staff have got you covered with a week filled with their favourite activities.
Wk 8 2 Dec	Splashtastic!		Get ready to dive into a wave of fun and a sea of excitement with bubbly, splashy fun!
Wk 9 9 Dec	Reward Week		This week is about celebrating you! Get ready to reap the rewards and have some fun!
Wk 10 16 Dec	Christmas is Coming!		Celebrate a sunny summer Christmas at Kelly Club.

## Community Notices

These are provided as a service to the community and do not necessarily reflect the policies and practices of the school.

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Calming Tools  
FROM  
A TO Z



Art



Belly Breaths



Clenching Fist



Doodling



Eye Pillow



Fidgets



Guided Meditation



Hugs



Indoor Dancing



Jumping



Kneading



Listening



Mindfulness



Nature Walk



Obstacle Course



Pillow Punching



Quiet Reading



Rocking



Sensory Bottle



Tangle Toy



Uphill Running



Visualizing



Writing



Relax with Pets



Yoga



Gardening Zone

