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Kia ora e te wh ā nau,

A warm welcome back! It is so nice to know we have a full term ahead of us and it looks like it will be a very busy one.

Our university teachers will continue to join us each Wednesday until week 6 when they will join us full time, until the end of the term, for their second placement.

Please remember to check Dojo for notices and reminders, as well as exciting posts that show the amazing learning happening in Ruma Wha.

If you have any questions or queries at any time please do not hesitate to come in and see me. If this is not possible, you can phone our office and leave a

message for me to contact you or you are most welcome to email me (this is often the easiest way) at <a href="mailto:ccottingham@kns.ac.nz">ccottingham@kns.ac.nz</a>

## Our Learning in Term 2

<u>The Knighton Way</u>: Being organised-This term there will be a huge focus on organisation and being a self-aware learner. A key component of this will focus on children knowing their next steps in their learning.

<u>Music:</u> As it is NZ music month in May we will be exploring a programme called Fuse drumming as well as sharing the music making process with others.





<u>Our History:</u> For the first five weeks we will explore the history of Aotearoa. This will be taught through dramatic inquiry.

<u>Hauora (Well-being):</u> In the second half of the term, we will focus on our well-being- physically, emotionally, socially, spiritually and family units as we celebrate Matariki (M $_{\bar{a}}$  ori New Year) as a school.

<u>Electives:</u> Your child has an amazing opportunity to opt into an activity they enjoy this term and possibly work with a different middle school teacher. These activities begin in week 4 (wednesday) for five weeks. The children are already very excited for these to begin.

## Fitness-Skipping

This term our fitness focus is skipping. We do fitness each day, so please encourage your children to wear appropriate clothing, or to have something quick and easy to put on.



## Change of Clothing

As we move into the winter months, please ensure that your child has a change of clothes in their bag for any unfortunate events.



## Important Dates

Teacher Only Days- Friday 4th June (week 5) & Monday 21st June (week 8) Queens Birthday- Monday 7th June (week 6) School photos- Thursday 24th June (week 8) Parent conversations- Monday-Wednesday 5-9th July (week 10).



Ngaa mihi, Chrissy Cottingham