

Newsletter 39

10 December 2019

Kia ora/Greetings

This is the last newsletter of 2019! I would like to take this opportunity to thank the KNS community for your support this year.

It has been fantastic to see our children make progress and achieve in their learning, cultural and sporting opportunities that our staff work so hard to provide.

2020 promises to be an exciting year for Knighton. There is going to be significant work completed upgrading learning environments and we have a great staff ready to make a difference for your children. We are also excited to reorganise storage areas to allow for 50 school bikes so that we can utilise the Hillcrest velodrome and pump track.

I would like to wish you a safe and fun holiday, a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year! See you in 2020!

Farewell and Thank you

Matua Tihoi will be leaving us at the end of the year. Tihoi's skill and knowledge in rākau have been recognised by another learning institution. This aligns with his desire to continue to help Māori students ignite their love and passion for education and regain their identity as mana motuhake and tangata whenua. We would like to wish Tihoi all the best with his new adventure. Although we are sad to be losing him from our Knighton School whānau, we are extremely proud to have been part of his journey in education.

I would like to thank Mr Smith for the great job that he has completed this term as a new entrant teacher. What a great start you have given those children.

As mentioned in previous newsletters, we are also farewelling Whaea Whitney, Whaea Kim McCall and Mr Valkenborg. Mrs Oliver will be on leave for the start of the 2020 school year.

Helpers Day at Te Rapa

Last Friday Mr Hannah and Mrs O'Reilly took our road patrollers and traffic wardens to the Te Rapa Pools for the NZ Police acknowledgement of the hard work and service they have given to the school. Thank you for keeping us safe!

Teaching Staff for 2020

I am pleased to be able to share with you our teaching staff for 2020.

Year 5/6

Room 1 Deb Wilson
Room 2 James Penman
Room 3 Katie McLean
Room 4 Nicole Antoniadis
Room 27 Briar Lynch
Room 28 David Hannah
Room 29 Deb Forrester
Room 30 Whakarongo Tauranga

Year 3/4

Room 5 Lorna Kennedy
Room 6 Pauline Gardener Ward
Room 7 Kylie Te Arihi
Room 10 Sarah King
Room 11 Grant Miller
Room 12 Danielle Brydon
Room 13 Jackie Simpson
Room 20 Josef Holm

Year Two

Room 8 Jo Lelieveld
Room 9 Vicki Bigham
Room 18 Karen Walshe
Room 26 Jacki Paea

New Entrant / Year One

Room 14 Anne Hoare
Room 15 Keirryn Hintz
Room 16 Carmen Johnstone
Room 17 Kim Sargent
Room 19 John Brooker (Year One)
Room 25 Chiara Kurnaz and Tere Chesham (Year One)

Te Hihiri

Room 21 Natasha Searancke
Room 22 To be determined
Room 24 Waitaarere Sa

Room 23 - ESOL Diane Cooper
Jocelyn Broom- Reading Recovery, ORS and special programmes
Clare Delany – Reading Recovery, ORS and special programmes.
Lyndal Roche- Teacher release, .4 special programmes
Megan Bevan- Teacher release
Catherine Daniels- Teacher release
Renee Lisignoli- Teacher release
James Smith- Teacher release

Celebrating our Tamariki

Inline Hockey



Congratulations to Leo, Taiyo, Benoit, Raphael, Nathan, Blake and Amy.

First Place in the Second Division Inline Hockey, Intermediate/Primary School League!

Cycling World Champs



Mrs Roche took some lucky children to see some world class cycling at the Cambridge Velodrome last week. What an experience!

Sand Saucer Competition

Waikato A&P show Sand Saucer competition was entered by some of our Knighton students and we have two top placings:

5-8 years

Meihan, 8yrs, Rm 7 - **3rd place**

9-12 years

Kalsoom, 11yrs, Rm4 - **2nd place**

Well done!



Bao has been working with some of our Vietnamese children comparing and contrasting Vietnam and New Zealand.

TERM DATES

- 12th Dec** Year 6 Disco
- 13th Dec** 2020 Classes announced
- 13th Dec** Te Hirihiri Poroporoaki
- 16th Dec** Awards assembly @ 11.10am
- 17th Dec** Reports go home +
Final assemblies
 - JUNIOR 9:15am
 - MIDDLE 10am
 - SENIOR 11.10am
- 18th Dec** Children meet new classes at 10:10am and **school finishes @ 1pm.**

Our Community

KASP

Enrolments for 2020 are now open. All families MUST re-enrol yearly. First in first served as spaces are limited.

Bookings can be made on kasp.aimyplus.com

Knighton School Holiday Programme

Knighton School holiday programme operates from the school hall each holiday period. Bookings can be made for the holiday programme at kasp.aimyplus.com

For further information about the Holiday Programme, please contact

Jacqui Baird on 021 819 111 or email her at supervisorhp@kasp.co.nz

ScienceBox's Christmas Special Program

Hamilton Gardens, Chartwell room 22nd December 2019. Two morning sessions for 5-7 y/o and two afternoon for 8-12 y/o. It is \$10 per child and registrations can be done at www.sciencebox.co.nz.

Hamilton Boys High School Pool

Next weekend HBHS pool will be opening for the summer 12pm - 6pm.

December - 14th & 15th, 21st & 22nd

January - 3rd - 26th

Pool entry is \$4 for everyone, but under 3yrs are free.

Activate Church

Are holding a *free* Christmas Carols & BBQ event on the 15th Dec at 6pm for the community, featuring the Hamilton Community Gospel Choir.

Ngā mihi nui

Stuart Armistead
Principal