Newsletter 7 20 May 2025

This term we have started our weekly English Language Learning Community Hub Programme. This is the second year we have done this in conjunction with the Ministry of Education. It's a great opportunity for us to spend time with parents of families who have recently arrived in Aotearoa/New Zealand and talk to them about the New Zealand Education System. A special thank you to Diane Cooper, Bao Hoang, and the wonderful ELL Department for organising and running this programme.

A reminder that school will be closed for instruction on Friday 30th May as we have a Kāhui Ako Teacher Only Day. This day is an opportunity for staff from all the contributing schools in the Hillcrest and Hamilton East area to get together for a day of professional development and learning.

Our attendance data is looking strong again this term with 88% of our students attending school regularly so far. Thank you again for your support around this.





School Photos

Class and individual photos will be taken on **Friday 23rd May** - you should have received a Photolife flyer last week.

All students have their photo taken and a Photo Keycode will be emailed to you by Photolife after the photos are taken. You will then be able to see the photo/s of your child that were taken and decide if you wish to purchase a pack. Payment is made directly to Photolife.

* Check we have your correct email address

You only need to return the signed flyer to school if you want a sibling/whanau photo taken - one form per family. This must be returned by Wednesday 21st May.

*PLEASE NOTE - Only children who are currently attending Knighton can have their photos taken, no preschoolers or older siblings.

Reminders

When your tamariki/children have sports practice after school remember the only exit from school is Knighton Road. The Wairere Drive and Somme Crescent gates are locked at 3:15pm.

Thank you to those who have returned cricket, touch & miniball uniforms. There are still a few more to come so please drop them to the smiley face window at the office.

Please remember that scooters and bikes are brought to school at the owner's risk. They should be named and cannot be ridden on school grounds.

A very useful communication tool to keep up to date with what is happening at school is the School App. You can report absences, check the calendar, receive newsletters, and keep up with sports team updates and alerts. This is not the same as your class Dojo or Seesaw which is your tool to communicate with the class teacher.



School will be closed on Friday 30th May for the Kāhui Ako Teacher Only Day and Monday 2nd June for King's Birthday public holiday.

If you have a child who is turning 5 years old before June 3rd and you want them to start school on the next cohort entry day of June 3rd please make sure you have completed the enrolment process at the office.

Please come into the office to put your preschoolers name on our register so we can keep you informed of their school entry date and new entrant visits.



Lost Property

Please come and look through the lost property outside Mrs Cowie's office regularly. Named items can be returned to children but unfortunately most of the clothing and shoes that are lost by children are unnamed. All unnamed belongings that are not claimed are donated. PLEASE name ALL your children's clothing and footwear.

All lost property will be on display tomorrow, Wednesday 21st May, outside Mrs Cowie's office next to the court.

Community Notices

We are currently ensuring we have up to date immunisation records at school so that if there is an outbreak of a notifiable disease e.g. measles or whooping cough, we can identify which students may be at risk. You will be contacted if we need information from you.

If you have chosen not to have your child immunised please let the office know. If there was an outbreak of a notifiable disease you may be asked to keep your child at home for their own safety.

There is information below about clinics offering vaccinations during May and June for whānau who may not have a GP.



Four General Practices are offering free childhood vaccinations on Saturdays & Tuesdays during May & June. You do not need to be registered at these medical practices but do need to take any documents that show your child's previous vaccination record.

The clinics and days are:

<u>Hamilton Lake Clinic</u> – Grey Street, Saturday 31st May, 14th June, 28th June, 9am – 4pm.

<u>Victoria Clinic</u> – Anglesea Street, Saturday 31st May, 14th June, 28th, June 9am – 3pm.

<u>Hillcrest Medical Centre</u> - Saturday 31st May, 14thJune, 28th June, 9am – 3pm.

<u>Hamilton East Medical Centre</u> are offering some Tuesday evening clinics and some Saturdays as shown below: Tuesday 20th & 27th May, 3rd, 10th, 17th & 24th June 5.00pm – 6.30pm.

Saturday 24th May & 14th June 8.00am - 12.30pm.



Our beautiful mural that was designed and painted by Gemma Antoniadis, a former Knighton staff member has been relocated to the main office area. I'm sure you will agree it finishes off our upgraded front office beautifully.



Note your calendar

23 May - Photolife School Photos

29 May - Winter Sports Day - University & St John's

30 May - Teacher Only Day - SCHOOL CLOSED

2 June - King's Birthday - SCHOOL CLOSED

3 June - Parent Conversation bookings open

3 June - Cohort Entry Day - New Entrants

5 June Arbor Day - Minogue Park

5 June - Winter Sports Day - back up day

Ngā mihi nui

Andrew Campbell Principal

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Please update your contact details at the office if they have changed by returning the slip below or emailing Lorraine at lhooper@kns.ac.nz

Student name	
Room number:	
Address:	
Caregiver:	
Phone number:	
Email:	