## **Newsletter 9**

## 21 June 2022



#### **Dates to remember:**

This Friday 24th June	Matariki (Public holiday) <b>NO SCHOOL</b>
8th July	Term 2 ends <b>3pm</b>

## Kia ora/Greetings

Mānawatia a Matariki! This week we are celebrating Matariki Week. Classes from our Junior, Middle and Senior areas are joining together and participating in a variety of learning experiences related to Matariki. This is such a special time in our calendar and the ākonga/students love it. We're looking forward to our first ever Matariki Public Holiday this Friday 24 June.

Last Friday our staff had the privilege of attending Kirikiriroa Marae to learn about some important aspects of mana whenua, Kiingitanga Tainuitanga along history of Ngaati Wairere and Ngaati Hauaa. (The two iwi from the area our kura/school sits within). Not only was this important for our own personal growth and development, it was also important for our understanding of the new Aotearoa Critical Histories Curriculum. A huge thank you to Ted Sweet (Kaumaatua Ngaati Wairere), Whaea Rangi (Kirikiriroa Marae), and Adam Whauwhau and Parekura Collins (Ngaati Hauaa) for imparting their wisdom, expertise and insight to us.



As always Knighton children continued to have a lot of opportunities to participate in a variety of activities and events this past fortnight. These include:

- Have-a-Go sports day for year 3 & 4 students
- Rippa Rugby for senior students
- Self Defence for all year 3 girls, funded by Oranga Tamariki
- Cycling at the Pump Track

# Parent Conversations & Mid Year Reports Week 10 4th, 5th & 6th July



Bookings for parents/caregivers to meet with their child's/ren's teachers will be **open from** tomorrow **22nd June** and close on 1st July

The halfway point of the 2022 school year is approaching fast. Teachers are busy preparing information about how your child is progressing with their learning this year.

Rather than prepare just a written report we think the most powerful way to share is face to face. A summary of this conversation will then be sent home for you. Therefore it is very important that you make a time to meet with your child's teacher to discuss their progress and goals for the remainder of 2022.

To do so please visit

https://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz and use
the event code eavjy

# Headlice - Nits -Kutu





Louse egg (nit) on hai

Anyone can get head lice - it doesn't

matter how clean or dirty a person's hair is. Head lice spread by crawling from one person's hair to another's - usually between people who are in close contact, such as family or school classmates. Remember:

- Check your children's hair every week for head lice.
- If you find lice or eggs you need to treat them.
- Repeat the treatment 7 days later.

We have information about a wet combing treatment method and free nit combs available at the school office.

## **Lost Property**

There is **a lot** of lost property outside Mrs Cowie's office.

Please come and claim it!

Please name your child's clothing!

Named items can be returned to children but unfortunately most of the clothing that has been found is unnamed.

# **Knighton Murals**

Knighton kids have been filmed sharing the special meanings of each letter of KNIGHTON and its importance to them. The QR code can be scanned to reveal this video.

This week the letter 'H'.





By scanning this QR code you can see a video explaining the letter 'H' of the KNIGHTON Mural.

# \*\* Reminders \*\*

- ★ ALL toys are to remain at home please. This includes collectable cards.
- ★ We are trying to promote healthy eating habits here at KNS therefore lollies, bubblegum and chewing gum stay at home along with fizzy, sugary and energy drinks. WATER IS BEST!
- ★ Please pack a change of clothes with your child everyday.

## **Holiday Programmes:**

- ★ Edventure Young Explorers Camp

  July 18th 22nd, 8-13yr olds, \$525

  OSCAR Available for info and to book visit

  www.edventure.co.nz
- ★ Drifters Rock 'n' Rol club is offering 7 17 year olds 2 free beginner lessons during the school holidays. 12th & 19th July For further info email info@drifters.org.

Our school is currently taking part in the **Poutama Reo pilot project** along with Te Tari Arotake Mātauranga - Education Review Office (ERO). Poutama Reo is a framework that defines what quality provision of Te Reo Māori in and across English settings looks like.

To help us with this project, we would appreciate it if someone in your whānau (family) could fill in a short survey for us. This survey can be completed on the form below, or online using this link: <a href="https://forms.gle/7Y8adTwBnN2fu6bi8">https://forms.gle/7Y8adTwBnN2fu6bi8</a>.

Please respond online or return your completed form to the Frog Box at the Smiley Face Window by **Monday 27th June**.

Andrew Campbell - Principal
Poutama Reo Pilot Project Survey
Your child / children's name(s) and room number(s)
What would you like to see covered in our Te Reo Māori/language and Tikanga Māori/customs programme at Knighton Norma School?
How would you like your child's learning of Te Reo and/or Tikanga Māori recognised?
Are you able to support your child's learning of Te Reo and/or Tikanga Māori? Please specify