#### **Newsletter 33**

#### 29 October 2019

# Kia ora/Greetings

#### **Our Choir**

On Thursday 24 October our choir 'The Knighton Chorus' attended the Kids Sing event run by the NZ Choral Federation at Southwell School. Our choir is made up of 32 junior, middle and senior children who get together to sing one lunchtime a week with Ms A, Miss McLean and Mrs Johnstone.

The senior girls sang He ao Tuuroa beautifully with Timera and Beautiful singing their solos stunningly. Next they all sang Build Me Up Buttercup. Saiorse and Zowie from the junior school performed the echoes with energy. Finally they sang Stay with Iva, Zaiya, Emily, Arielle and Buthmi kicking us off incredibly. They received rapturous applause and audience support, arms were swaying all around the room. Everyone of our Knighton whaanau present were so proud, and many adults needed tissues- they were so great.

Our little group won a big award at the end 'The Choir Ambassadors Award' for having amazing spirit both on and off stage, and having impeccable behaviour. I was so proud of this group especially because of the brilliant feedback I received from so many people at the event who just adored our kids.

Once again Knighton kids making a positive impact on the world. Ka rawe tamariki ma.

Ms A



#### **ERO Visit- 11th November**

During the week of the 11th of November the Education Review Office will be visiting Knighton Normal. A part of this visit provides an opportunity for parents to share their experiences of having a child at Knighton.

When-Tuesday the 12th of November at 2.15pm in the school staffroom.

We would love to have you there.

# **Amazing Race**

Last Friday 16 year 6 students represented Knighton at The Amazing Race held at the Hamilton Gardens. They navigated their way around the gardens and completed challenges using awesome team work. Once again our kids superb behaviour and attitudes made us proud.







# **OUR ONLINE KINDO SHOP**

Order and pay where and when suits you with the smartphone app, **myKindo**.

- Just search 'myKindo' on either your Google Play store or Apple App store
- Pay for last minute sport subs, trip fees and even hats among other things.

\*Please note for those that already have this app and have used it, your payments will now appear on statements as 'Kindo Auckland NZ' rather than "The Growth Collective'.

#### **INTERNET SAFETY**

Does your child have a computer or device? Do you know what your children are doing on their devices at home?

Technology can be an amazing tool for learning, but it also has some downsides. Currently many YouTube videos have pop ups that actually contain unpleasant content. As well as that we are aware of new apps popping up often that have content of concern. An example of this is the new Tik tok app (available on Android and Apple stores).

The school security is very good at blocking this but your home network may not be.

Please make sure you speak to your children about what to do if they come across anything unusual online. The Netsafe organisation is very helpful also (details below):

#### **Contact Netsafe**

Need help or advice?

- Text 'Netsafe' to 4282
- Email help@netsafe.org.nz
- Call toll free on 0508 NETSAFE (0508 638 723)
- Online report form at <u>netsafe.org.nz/report</u>

Netsafe helpline is open from 8am–8pm Monday to Friday and 9am–5pm on weekends.

#### **REMINDERS:**

# Absence notifications

Knighton School hours are 9am sharp to 3pm. You can notify us about any absences by

- App
- Text
- Phone

Absence notifications should be rung through to the Absence Line Ph 856 5393 before 9am, NOT the main school line as it causes congestion.

When taking your child home early or to appointments, please remember to come to the office and sign your child out in our sign-out register **before** collecting them from class. Thank you.

**Lost property** is displayed outside between Room 26 and Mrs Cowie's office. Please remember to check here daily even if you dont think your child has lost anything.

# Game draws and results

Cricket The weekly cricket draw and game cancellations can be accessed on the Hamilton Cricket website, <a href="https://www.hamiltoncricket.co.nz">www.hamiltoncricket.co.nz</a> or on their Facebook page <a href="https://www.fb.com/hamiltoncricketass.oc">www.fb.com/hamiltoncricketass.oc</a>

Touch Rugby You can access the game times at <a href="http://sporty.co.nz/steeleparkjunrtouch">http://sporty.co.nz/steeleparkjunrtouch</a>

#### *Immunisations*

We STILL have many families that have not returned their child's immunisation details.

Please be aware **should** we have a confirmed case of measles, then the Medical Officer of Health will advise us on excluding students that have not had two measles vaccines.

If you are unsure of whether we have up to date immunisation details then do call the office and check.

## **COMMUNITY NOTICES:**

#### **Activate Church**

Activate Church is having an alternative to the traditional Halloween party. Theme is *Under the sea* and ALL are welcome.

October 31st 6pm - 8pm Ruakura Campus: 11 Bisley Rd Enderley, Hamilton 3214

# LIGHT PAR

# **Kirikiriroa Explorers**

Kirikiriroa Explorers is a child and family adventure group that meets after school on Fridays at GO ECO 188 Commerce Street.

Each week we go on different adventures that engages children with nature, environmental care, and active citizenship.

This term we are:

- \* exploring local gullies \* adventuring by the river
  - \* visiting bees
- \* meeting the police
- \* feeding goats
- \* planting trees
- ... and much more!

You can come to all of them, or just those that you are really interested in. We can't wait to have you join

Check out our Facebook page 'Kirikiriroa Explorers' for upcoming events. All sessions are run by volunteers and are free to attend.

# **Dance Classes**

The Studio Hamilton, is an aerial arts dance and fitness company for kids. Kids will gain strength, flexibility, social skills and self motivation.

Book at: https://bookings.thestudio.co.nz

Ngā mihi nui

**Stuart Armistead** 

**Principal**