



Newsletter

Tuesday 20th February 2018

Coming up

Thurs 22nd Feb	5.30 - 7.00pm	Meet the Teacher
Fri 23rd Feb	9.00am	School assembly - hosted by Room 7
Tues 27th Feb		Eden Albert Swimming Zones
Fri 2nd Mar	5.00 - 7.00pm	Colour Run and Community Picnic
Wed 7 Mar		Central Zones Swimming
Fri 9 Mar		Central Zone Cricket Zones (Boys)
Tues 13 Mar		Eden Albert Cricket Zones
Wed 14–16 Mar		Year 5 Camp
Tues 20 Mar		Three-Way Learning Conferences & CZ Girls Cricket
Thurs 22 Mar		Three-Way Learning Conferences
Mon 26–Thurs 29 Mar		Year 6 Camp
Fri 30 Mar–Tues 3 Apr		Easter (Please note, school is also closed on the Tuesday)
Fri 13 Apr		Last day of Term 1
Mon 30 Apr–Fri 4 May		Year 7/8 Camp

Quick Look

- Happy Chinese New Year!
- Colour Run
- Allergies and anaphylaxis

A warm KTS welcome to Karen who started this week in Room 4.

Happy Chinese New Year to everyone and welcome to the Year of the Dog. According to the Chinese zodiac, people born in the year of the dog are honest, friendly, faithful, loyal, smart, straightforward, venerable and have a strong sense of responsibility. This



Deputy Principal 'dog' certainly hopes it's been a special time for those of you who have had celebrations with family and friends!

Here at KTS two of our Year 5 students showed amazing cultural leadership last week by designing and sharing an informative presentation about the history and cultural significance of Chinese New Year and an explanation of the different animals associated with the Chinese zodiac. Thanks Claudia and Zoya for taking the initiative to share with everyone about this most significant of festivals in the Chinese calendar.



This Thursday we will be holding our 'Meet the Teacher' evening at the school from 5.30pm. Please come and take an opportunity to hear about class organisation and expectations and as well as get to know more about your child's teacher for 2018. The schedule for the evening is as follows:

- 5.30 - 6.00pm Meet the Teacher meetings for Koru team (Rms 1–7)
- 6.00 - 6.30pm Full parent meeting in the hall (where Alison will outline the main goals for the year and discuss ways you can be involved in the school)
- 6.30 - 7.00pm Meet the Teacher meetings for Harakeke and Pohutukawa classes (Rms 8–16)
- 7.00 - 7.30pm Camp meetings for Year 5 and 6 parents only

Look out for class booklets, which will be available on the school website on the 22nd February.

KTS Colour Run and Community Picnic – 2 March

We are very much looking forward to our colour run on Friday (2nd March) as part of our celebration of the Indian Holi Festival. It was such a highlight in 2016 that we want to acknowledge this festival with another colour run, but this time late afternoon.

\$ 8.00 per runner (buy tickets on kindo or at the office)

Each 'runner' should have OLD clothes – preferably white t-shirt (only because it shows the colour better) and sun-glasses or goggles to protect the eyes.

The school provides the coloured powder. It is washable, to a degree, and it is made of cornstarch which is also edible. (Cornstarch is a fine, powdery starch that is made out of corn. Cornstarch is also known as cornflour, it is gluten free).

Approximate timings

- 5.15pm Year 1, 2 and 3 girls, then boys - **parents may choose to run with their children**
- 5.35pm Year 4, 5 and 6 girls, then boys
- 6.00pm Year 7 and 8, and family members outside the school
- 6.20pm Adult run (and any pre-schoolers)

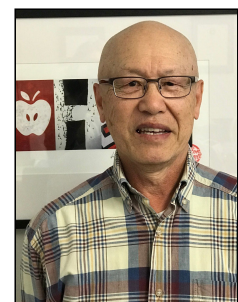
However, we will need help - we need parents to help throw the colour. Please add your name to the google doc linked [HERE](#). We will need you from 5.00pm for the safety briefing. It should be lots of fun. Disposable gloves will be provided.

Calling all **BUTTER CHICKEN** chefs! If you're a dab hand at Indian cuisine and would be willing to give up some time to prepare some butter chicken to sell on the day, we'd love to hear from you. We are planning to make up pots of this Kiwi favourite to sell as part of our evening celebration. Please email becca@kts.school.nz if you think you might be able to help.

Also, join us for a community picnic – bring your favourite takeaway and refreshments or buy one of the options here at school. This is a really fun thing to do and a way of celebrating something special from another culture. We look forward to seeing you!

PTA – Be part of the community

At our 'Meet the Teacher' evening this Thursday you'll get the chance to hear about some of the initiatives and activities planned for 2018 by this important community group. There are many ways you can be involved, from donating some of your time to encouraging wider family and friends to attend our events. Look out for PTA Chairperson Rae Ah Chee (pictured right) in the playground before and after school, who will be available to discuss PTA issues informally and to get to know new parents at the school.



Medical Kits at School

Please update your children's medical kits to replace expired medications and renew the dose information as children grow. It's also a good idea to include a brief summary of medication names and dosages, and when they should be used. Thanks.

Allergies, Anaphylaxis and How You Can Help

We have a number of students with food allergies ranging from mild to severe, such as anaphylaxis. Anaphylaxis is a serious allergic response that often involves swelling, hives, lowered blood pressure and, in severe cases, shock. For some of these students any physical contact with a substance to which they are allergic can cause symptoms that could be fatal. For this reason, we do ask all students to maintain healthy and hygienic practices around food, with hand washing before and after eating recommended.

[This video link](#) is from NZ and Australia organisations involved in raising public awareness about food allergies and how to manage the risks. Although the video is intended for the hospitality industry, the first 2 minutes are useful for everyone involved in making, serving and consuming food in a social, camp or community environment.

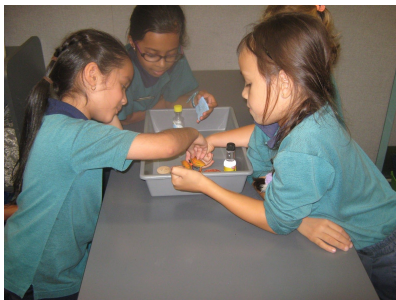
Unverified Deposit

A cheque deposit has been made into our school account on 9 February 2018 (with the reference "Ancheer"). We cannot match this with our records. Could the family please contact the office to advise details of this payment. Thank you.

We look forward to seeing you Thursday. - *Louis (and Alison)*

Belonging to Kohia Terrace School

Science



1. Year 3 students investigating floating and sinking
2. Intermediate students constructing and testing their thermometers
3. Year 4 students learning about fair testing



Spotlight on Sport

Water Polo

We are entering a water polo team in Term 2. This is for Years 7 and 8, and the team enjoyed their first training last week. However, they need two sets of coloured caps for the competition. The cost for each set is around \$600, so I was wondering if there is anyone in our school community that would like to sponsor a set or part of a set of caps and we will get the caps printed accordingly.

If anyone is interested in this please can you contact Jayne (jayne@kts.school.nz).

Swimming Sports

What a fantastic day we had last Thursday. The sun was shining and the water was warm - so warm we had lots of children signing up for more races. I was so pleased with the effort that everyone put into making sure they were swimming for their own personal goals. It was great to see everyone trying.

I would like to say a HUGE thank you to those caregivers who gave up their morning to help the day run super smoothly. I appreciate those caregivers who came along at 8:00am to set up the lane ropes and those who then arrived from 9:00 - 12:30 and were timers and lifeguards. It was lovely to see all the parents come and watch, and your house colours were duly noted! Our children are lucky to have such a supportive Kohia Community.



Congratulations to those people who participated in a final and gained a placing - those results are further down the page. From these finals the Eden Albert zone swimming team has been selected and your child would have received a notice. I will be talking with the Intermediate swimmers soon.

Thank you so much.
Jayne Settle



Basketball

Our season (KTS Warriors) started on Monday with a 40-7 point win over St. Kent's. It was a fun start, and all the boys played really well.

Weetbix Tryathlon

Congratulations to all the Kohia kids who took part in the Weetbix Triathlon on Sunday at Pt England. It looks like they had a fabulous time!



General Notices

Football at Western Springs AFC in 2018

Registrations for Juniors (ages 4-8 years) and Youth (ages 9-20 years) players are now open for Western Springs AFC. We will close enrolments on Friday 2 March 2018 - so don't miss out! To enrol, simply go to wsafc.org.nz and click on the registration link. We look forward to seeing you at Western Springs AFC for the 2018 season.

Guitar lessons 2018 with MUSIQHUB

There are a limited number of places available for after-school group guitar lessons on Thursdays. Lessons start Thursday 22 Feb and are half an hour, from beginners to more experienced students. If you are interested please email johnfaulding@gmail.com for details.

Lewis Eady Music Lessons are available at school. Instruments available include guitar, keyboard, ukulele, vocals/singing, drum kit, flute, clarinet, saxophone, recorder, trumpet, trombone and violin. For more information and to enrol, please visit www.lewiseady.co.nz.

House for Rent

A house opposite Kohia Terrace School is for rent and may be of interest to someone in the community. It would work well for a large family or several couples as there are 5 bedrooms.
<https://www.trademe.co.nz/Browse/Listing.aspx?id=1544124352>

Swimming Sports Results

Congratulations to the following people...

Freestyle

Placing	Year 5 Girls	Year 5 Boys	Year 6 Girls	Year 6 Boys	Year 7 Girls	Year 7 Boys	Year 8 Boys	Year 8 Girls
1st	Linda	Noah	Genesta	Archie	Valerie	Ben	Rowan	Bridget
2nd	Ruby	Ed	Violet	Carver	Aleeya	Bailey	Ari	Fran
3rd	Boidehi	Frank	Eva	Fergus	Olivia	Jenshuo	Felix	Elsie

Backstroke

Placing	Year 5 Girls	Year 5 Boys	Year 6 Girls	Year 6 Boys	Year 7 Girls	Year 7 Boys	Year 8 Girls	Year 8 Boys
1st	Linda	Ed	Mila	Fergus	Aleeya	Bailey	Bridget	Rowan
2nd	Emma	Archie	Genesta	Owen	Hailey	Ben	Fran	Felix
3rd	Hannah P	Noah	Eva	Xavier	Briar	Lipoi	Elsie	Jesse

Breaststroke

Placing	Year 5 Girls	Year 5 Boys	Year 6 Girls	Year 6 Boys	Year 7 Girls	Year 7 Boys	Year 8 Girls	Year 8 Boys
1st	Linda	Tony	Genesta	Carver	Olivia	Ben	Bridget	Rowan
2nd	Jenny	Noah	Eva	Archie	Aleeya	Bailey	Niamh	Seb J
3rd	Kaylee	Frank	Violet	Louis	Hailey	Thomas	Elsie	Felix

50 FreeStyle

Placing	Year 5 & 6 Girls	Year 5 & 6 Boys	Year 7 & Girls	Year 7 & 8 Boys
1st	Genesta	Archie	Bridget	Rowan
2nd	Violet	Fergus	Aleeya	Felix
3rd	Linda	Owen	Fran	Ben