



# Newsletter

**Tuesday 20th March 2018**

## Coming up

Tues 20 Mar

Thurs 22 Mar

Fri 23 Mar

Mon 26–Thurs 29 Mar

Fri 30 Mar–Tues 3 Apr

Fri 13 Apr

Mon 30 Apr–Fri 4 May

Three-Way Learning Conferences

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CZ Girls Cricket

Year 6 Camp

Easter (please note, school is also closed on the Tuesday)

Last day of Term 1

Year 7/8 Camp

## Quick Look

- Polyfest
- 'A Midsummer Night's Dream' at the Pop-up Globe
- Year 5 Camp report

A warm welcome to Eriko, who started this week in Room 5.

Well it seems that our long, hot, stormy, wet summer is giving up the ghost and somewhat cooler weather is coming our way – but that hasn't put a damper on some excellent 'EOTC' – teacher-speak for Education Outside the Classroom. There has been a flurry of amazing learning taking place at various venues beyond the boundaries of the Kohia Terrace School site.

Call it empowerment, delegation or downright laziness, but I've managed to get students and teachers to write about some of these experiences so I'll get out of the way and hand over to them...

## Polyfest

Our Kapa Haka group went along to the annual Polyfest Secondary Schools cultural performance on Friday. We saw some impressive kapa haka performances that were amazing.

We also enjoyed the Tongan, Cook Island, Samoan, Indian, Sri Lankan, Vietnamese, Japanese and Chinese dances. It was a great day out and whilst we did not perform, we were inspired by the atmosphere and the talent on stage.

*By Florence and Mrs Hewlett*



## **'A Midsummer Night's Dream' at the Pop-up Globe**

The Pop-up Globe performance of 'A Midsummer Night's Dream' was filled with mature humour, wonderfully casted characters and a plot that stays loyal to the original, but with modern twists included skillfully. Even though the fairies spoke in te reo Māori, the story was still understood with overly dramatic acting and, if you'd read the play beforehand, you could understand exactly what was going on.

The play is about four lovers intertwined in both Athens and the fairy world, with one couple planning to escape and another with a one-sided love. It's a play about love, mischievous fairies and a dream-like wildness. The cast of characters was very genuine even though the entire cast was male. Their coordination was perfect with each other from the occasional fights to the usual banter between the lovers.

The story takes on modern twists occasionally, like sometimes breaking character or dropping the name of a TV show. I wouldn't particularly recommend the humour in the play for younger audiences (under 9 maybe), since it has mature themes and innuendos that aren't quite suitable for kids. Afterwards, I read the director's vision and everything was perfectly achieved in my eyes.

If I got the chance, I would definitely come again, whether for A Midsummer Night's Dream or another of Shakespeare's plays. 10/10!

*By Dora, Year 8*



## **Year 5 Camp**

Last week the Year 5 children were lucky enough to get three full days of sunshine for their camp at Muriwai. We spent the first day at the beach searching for gannets, creating sand sculptures and playing non-stop cricket. On Thursday the children took part in a range of activities which included mountain biking, rock climbing, adventure games, bush survival, bivouac building and a photo challenge led by Mr Harper. The day ended with an exciting Burma trail through the native bush at night. After packing up camp to head home on our last day, we had a pancake race. This involved the children working in teams to collect different cooking utensils and ingredients to make delicious and creative pancakes. The children returned from camp with smiles on their faces wishing they could have stayed longer.

Thank you so much to Jackie, Victoria, Alka, Chris, Remy and Graeme for their invaluable help.

*By Penny Low*





And hats off to Penny and Joe who did a superb job organising prior to and during camp, and kept up their boundless energy throughout – great job!

So as you can see, we very much embrace opportunities to learn in contexts away from the school campus and we're looking forward to hearing about the Year 6 camp at Long Bay in a week and then the Intermediate camp in Matamata early next term.

Many thanks to all families who have already paid their school donation. A reminder to everyone that donations paid before the end of March are tax deductible.

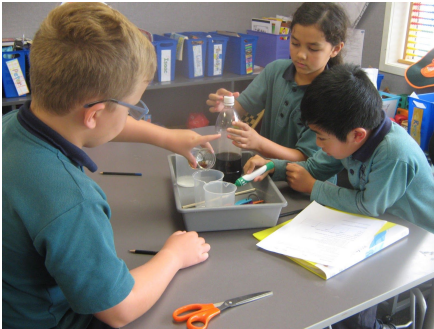
Finally, teachers are very much looking forward to meeting with you and your child either this evening or on Thursday to discuss their learning. We hope you find the meetings as useful and informative as we do. Although interviews for today are closed, the link will be open again from 7pm this evening if you would still like to make an appointment for Thursday – go to [www.schoolinterviews.co.nz](http://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz) and using the event code "fmek5".

I look forward to seeing you around the school this Tuesday or Thursday.

Louis

## Belonging to Kohia Terrace School

### Science



1. Year 4 students learning about fair testing with vinegars and baking soda



2. Year 3 students learning about floating and sinking



3. Year 6 students operating the whirling hygrometers they constructed to measure humidity

## The S.P.C.A. Needs Our Help!

They don't have any old towels to clean the animals in the shelter



So we are having an inter-class competition

**The class who brings in the most old towels wins!**

Kaysha and Lily will deliver empty black bags, to put towels in, to classrooms on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> March and collect them on Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> March

**PRIZE: Extra long morning tea, each day, for a whole week!**

## Secondhand Uniforms

Our secondhand uniform cupboard is looking bare. We'd really appreciate and welcome donations of clean uniforms in good condition. They can be handed in at the school office any time. Thank you so much for your support of the PTA!



## Spotlight on Sport

### KTS FlippaBall

The KTS year 4/5 team had a resounding win yesterday to remain unbeaten this term. They are now joint leaders with two games remaining this term.

Well done KTS FlippaBall. *Rae*

## Eden Albert Zone Cricket

We sent two year 5/6 cricket teams to zones last Tuesday. The cyclone had passed so the weather was great - sunny but not too hot.

Both teams played four games, winning one game each. Each team played enthusiastically and tried their best. The A team came 6th overall and displayed great sportsmanship. The B team came 10th overall and improved with each game.

Big thanks to Violet and Meika for stepping into the B team to fill some absences.

*Sheryl McEwen*

Thank you Sheryl for coaching the teams at school. Thanks to Dave Mackay for coming to coach/manage the boys' A team on the day. We appreciate your support.



## Community Notices

### School Holiday and Saturday Computer Classes for ages 5 – 15 y

New class; Stop Motion Animation. Also Minecraft, Learn to Code in Scratch, Python or Java, Create 3D Games, Web Design, Video Editing, Build a PC and if young, the Discovery Computer Class. For further information call 488-0787 or visit [www.grandtraining.co.nz](http://www.grandtraining.co.nz).

**Auckland City Venue:** Ntec Tertiary Group NZ, 25 Federal St., Corner Swanson and Federal St

### Teachers required for school holiday computer class

We require a teacher for our Minecraft, Roblox, web design, Java, Python and Scratch coding classes in the school holidays.

For further information, contact Ed Brown: Call 021-050-1288, or e-mail [ed@grandtraining.co.nz](mailto:ed@grandtraining.co.nz).

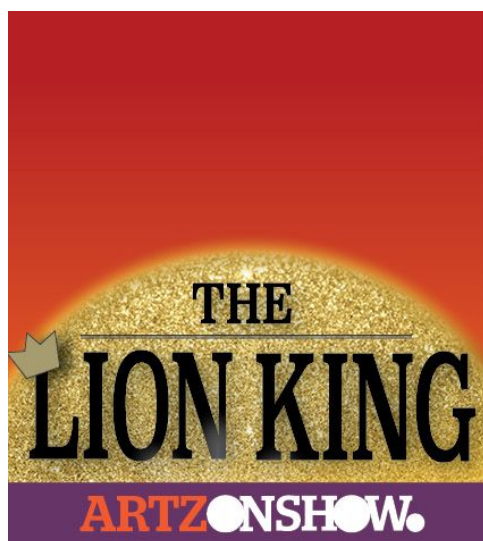
### **Three Kings United Football Club**

Registrations for 2018 are now open. Register online at [www.threekings.org.nz](http://www.threekings.org.nz)  
Football for every level from 5 years old. Boys and girls, men and women, competitive and social.

### **Open Morning at EGGS – Tuesday 10 April**

Epsom Girls Grammar School would like to invite prospective students and their parents to an Open Morning on Tuesday 10 April 2018. There will be guided tours at 8.45am and 10.45am. The tours are designed to show the school at work, so you will have the opportunity to observe what happens on an ordinary school day. To minimise disruption to their learning programme, we ask that students from Kohia Terrace School attend the 8.45am session.

To register, please follow this link [EGGS Open Morning](#) or go to our website [www.eggs.school.nz](http://www.eggs.school.nz)  
If you have any questions please contact the Enrolment Manager, Mrs Wendy Smith phone 9706710 or email [enrolments@eggs.school.nz](mailto:enrolments@eggs.school.nz)



### **Artz on Show School Holiday Performing Arts Workshop**

This is a fun yet educational week for students aged 5 – 15 years.

Students participate in a range of performing arts classes, concluding the week with a performance!

16 - 20 April 2018, 9 am – 4 pm daily

Held at Raye Freedman Arts Centre,  
Epsom Girls Grammar School

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