

# Newsletter

# **Tuesday 23 October 2018**

# Coming up

5-9 November Talent quest finals week 7 November Senior Athletics Year 4-8

8 November Eden Albert Softball/Eden Albert Table Tennis (Y 5/6)

13 November Kids for Kids concert (choir)

Eden Albert/Central Zones Athletics 23 November

29 November 5:30-7:30pm International Night

4 December Junior Athletics Year 1-3

5 December 2:00pm Moving On Up ceremony 7 December 9:00/10:00am Prize-giving assembly 7 December Reports emailed home

10 December 2019 class visits and house movie day 14 December

Last day of term - school closes 1.30pm

12:30pm Final Assembly

# Quick Look

- Welcoming new students
- Calendar Art Fundraiser

Hope you had a lovely long weekend. Summer is in the air and it seems that many of our students have been testing the temperature of the sea over the last couple of days. I got as far as an old-fashioned English paddle up to my ankles, which was refreshing enough!

# Mihi whakatau

We formally welcomed Noa and Victor to our school community with a mihi whakatau on Friday morning. Felix (our deputy head boy) supported the boys to light the Kohia flame which symbolises





their learning while they are with us.

We plan to hold a small ceremony like this for every cohort entry, with a more formal powhiri to welcome staff and new students at the beginning of the year.

Our thanks go to Jamie, Noa's father, for his guidance.

# Cups

We are starting to think about end-of-year events with prize-giving being one of the bigger ceremonies. Can those who received cups in 2017 please return them to the school over the next two weeks. The cup and cornerstone badge information is on the school website.

# National Shake out - Thursday 18 October

Schools around New Zealand participated in a National Shakeout last week as a reminder on what to do in the event of an earthquake. Students practiced Drop, Cover and Hold as shown here by rooms 4 and 8.

The **Shakeout website** is very informative; there are several <u>video</u>s and checklists for families.





# **Talent Quest**

Students across the school are planning and rehearsing their performances for the annual talent quest. In the past we have been treated to amazing dancing, gymnastics and music. Students wishing to participate should sign up within their class. The first round will take place in classes/year groups next week with finals at lunchtimes in week 4 (week beginning 5 November). Parents are welcome to attend the finals if they wish.

Monday 5 November Year 7 & 8
Tuesday 6 November Year 5 & 6
Thursday 8 November Year 3 & 4
Friday 9 November Year 1 & 2

# **Belonging to Kohia Terrace School**

Connecting with Your Child's Learning

# Giving feedback on Seesaw...

All students at KTS are now sharing their learning on Seesaw.

We have been delighted to see so many parents supporting their child's learning by commenting on their child's personal Seesaw learning journey.

The best feedback encourages your child to think and reflect on what they have done. When you comment on your child's work try to...

Start with a positive - Explain what you like and why you like it...

- I really liked....about your post because....
- I think you did a great job because....
- This was interesting to me because....

Ask a question - Make it a conversation starter instead of a conversation ender...

- Can you tell me more about....
- Why did you choose....
- Have you considered....
- This made me think of ....

# Personalised Artwork Calendars, Cards, Diaries and More!

Have you put in an order yet? This is our last major fundraiser for the year. Your child's art can be made into affordable calendars, cards, diaries, mouse mats and sketch pads. These make unique Christmas gifts for family and friends and are perfect for posting overseas. You can view your child's fantastic artwork in the office. Please return the order forms to school and pay via Kindo, online, cash or cheque.





# **PTA Update**

As we wind up the year I update accordingly. Sincere gratitude to everyone helping the PTA raise money this year. We are so close to our \$30k target.

# **Second-Hand Uniforms**

Once stocks allow, another uniform sale will be held this term. If you have any clean uniforms in good condition that you are happy to donate, we

would really appreciate it. These can be handed in to the office.

### Samosas

We will be selling these popular snacks again this term, with collection on 9 November. Order forms will be out next week.

# **Dumplings**

There have been requests for the PTA to sell ready-made dumplings, so we will try to make these for collection on 9 November. I will need a working bee, so if you are able to help, please email <a href="mailto:raepac1@gmail.com">raepac1@gmail.com</a>. Order forms will be out next week.

# **Ice Cream Sale**

A big thank you to Carmel Lee for arranging the supplies from Tip Top. Because of her contribution and assistance, we made \$785, which is a great outcome. I have to apologize for the insufficient stock as I made a mistake when ordering. Sorry for the disappointment to everyone who missed out. I will ensure that at our next ice cream sale [7 December] we will have much more stock.



# **Spotlight on Sport**

# **Athletics Day Wednesday 7th November**

Thanks to everyone who has offered to help for Athletics Day. I have sent home today an email and paper copy for parent helpers with information for the day. Please can you have a look at these. We do not need any more help —

but please feel free to come along and watch on the day. All information can also be found on the KTS website under the Parent tab.

# **Community Notices**

# **Wacky Wednesday Party**

Preschool and primary-aged children are invited to a Wacky Wednesday Party on Wednesday 31 October from 5.30 to 7.30pm at the St George's Church Hall, Ranfurly Road in Epsom. Click <u>HERE</u> for more information.

### WANT TO LEARN CHINESE?

Pistachio Mandarin Language Centre is offering Chinese lessons on Saturdays from 5+. Classes are 1 hour for total beginners & 1.5 hours for higher beginners. Focusing on speaking, listening. Fun activities to engage students and to immerse them in a Mandarin speaking environment. Come for the first free trial lesson.

Start: Term 4 2018

Venue: Kohia Terrace School, Epsom

Please contact; Email: pistachiomandarin@gmail.com

Website: www.pistachiomandarin.weebly.com; Facebook: Pistachio Mandarin Language Centre

# Hillsborough Playcentre Open Day

We would like to invite local families with children under 6 years of age to join us for a morning filled with fun, laughter and play! Click <u>HERE</u> to learn more.

When: Monday 29th October, 9.15 - 11am Where: 21 Currie Avenue, Hillsborough

What: Play, play and more play

Cost: \$3 donation to cover costs. Morning tea will be provided

# Meet the Maker (Epsom Girls Grammar School Fundraiser)

Friday 2 November 2018 7pm-10pm | MINI Garage Newmarket BUY TICKETS

Hosted at the MINI Garage Newmarket, come along to our special fundraising evening where you will meet artisan craft beer and wine makers in person and at the same time raise money for the transformation of L Block into an innovative learning space. It's the perfect opportunity for our parents, friends and the EGGS community to get together, to connect and support learning at EGGS. Featuring beer and wine tastings from some of New Zealand's most revered craftsmen and women, accompanied by hearty food and a fundraising auction of top-notch items, you're guaranteed an evening full of fun! You will also have the opportunity to put in orders on the night if there is a particular product that tantalises your taste buds.

Don't miss out on an extraordinary evening, buy your tickets today.

- Meet the Makers: Odyssey Wines, Harwood Hall, Brothers, Hallertau, Urbanaut, Hakanoa Ginger Beer
- Food from: I love Pies, Piries Butchery Mt Eden, Sal's Pizza, Loaf
- Bid for: bach/holiday home get-aways, drive a MINI for a weekend, Lenovo laptop, sporting memorabilia, cases of wine and beer, champagne and so much more!

# **Pirate Light Party**

Greyfriars Eden Epsom Presbyterian Church are holding a Light Party instead of celebrating Halloween. Wednesday 31 October from 6.00 to 8.00pm. Click <u>HERE</u> for more

### **Rudd School of Rock**

Individual music tuition for Guitar, Drums, Bass Guitar, Keyboard/Piano, Singing/Vocals and Ukulele. Click <u>HERE</u> for more info, or visit www.ruddschoolofrock.co.nz