Tuesday 28th August 2018

Coming up

Wed 29 August Intermediate Zone Cross Country Friday 31 August 9:00am Assembly hosted by Room 12

Friday 31 August Thurs 6 September Auckland Science Fair Competition 7:00pm PTA Dumpling Night

Year 1-3 Disco

Thurs 20 September 5:00–6:30pm

6:45–8:30pm Year 4–8 Disco

Quick Look

- Contract negotiation update
- Sickness
- Board of Trustee Meeting update

A warm KTS welcome to Mia and Heidi, who started this week in Room 3.

It was a very busy week last week as these photos attest to. StageArt was just amazing and such a great effort by all involved. A very special thank you to Katie Williams for her leadership of this, and to Penny Low and Jayne Settle for their support roles. Thank you also to all staff and parents who helped leading up to and on the day.



StageArt



Sheppard on wheels



History in a box - intermediates explore the nature of conflict

Contract Negotiations

The latest update I have from the NZEI is that they are still in negotiation mode. They were meeting last week and have booked in another day to come back to the table. NO decision has been made, or even officially been talked about, in terms of further industrial action. There is a genuine commitment to try and resolve the issues. I will keep you informed.

SIckness

There are some very nasty bugs going around both staff and students. Thanks to those families in the intermediates who did keep children at home last week to try and stop the cycle. A reminder that if your child is complaining of a sore throat, snuffly nose or the like, please keep them home. If they are suddenly feeling better, you can bring them in if necessary. We thank you for your support in this.

We are now beginning our planning for 2019. Do please let us know if you know of students who will be coming next year who are not yet enrolled or if you know you will be leaving the school come December (this does not include the Year 6 and 8 students).

We wish our students competing in the intermediate zone cross country run and the science fair well this week. Congratulations also to our speech finalists who took part in the school competition today.

Year 5/6

1st place Archie – Artificial Intelligence

2nd place Nikhita – Everyone Should Have A Growth Mindset

3rd place Madeline – The Black Ferns Should Be Paid As Much As The All Blacks

Year 7/8

1st place Bridget – Why The English Language Is Ridiculous

2nd place Charlotte – Our Plastic Planet

3rd place Connor – Not Being Defined By Your Circumstance

Enjoy your week - Alison

Board of Trustees August Meeting Update

We were very pleased to welcome Kathleen Mistry and Oliver Shaw who were co-opted onto the Board of Trustees this month. We are looking forward to working with them and are sure KTS will benefit from the diverse knowledge and experience they bring to the Board.

As mentioned in our last update, we review our charter each meeting to ensure the school is tracking consistently to meet the goals set out for the year. We were updated on the progress that is being made in the area of Mana Tangata (enhancing the potential of all). It was great to hear that our teachers are being coached and guided by our ACCOS (Community of Learning) In School Leaders to become agents of their own development. This in turn aims to improve student agency.

Please keep an eye out over the next month for the community survey. This was discussed at length during the meeting to ensure we are asking the right questions from the community. This survey is completed every two years and is a vital source of information for the Board to help form the strategic direction of the school.

With the health and safety of staff, children, and visitors at KTS forefront of our priorities, the Board have decided to purchase a defibrillator. Once purchased this will be located in the school reception sick bay.

We are thrilled with the completion of the Junior Playground and would like to express our thanks to Alison and Bruce, who both put in a lot of effort to get it installed and looking so great. It's wonderful to see how much the children love it already.

Belonging to Kohia Terrace School

Stage Art

A huge congratulations to all 80 of the Stage Art performers! You pulled off an incredible show full of smiles and energy. Thank you for your commitment to lunchtime and afternoon rehearsals which resulted in a fantastic final performance! Working as a team and representing KTS with pride, you made us extremely proud. – *Katie, Penny and Jayne*





Bandquest

"Explosion" rocked <u>Bandquest</u> last Friday night at the Auckland Central Finals. The band, comprising of Kohia students Caspar (vocalist and bass), James (keyboard), Jeremy C. (drums), and Jeremy S. (guitar), all from Room 9, played a set of two songs; "Feel it Still" by Portugal the Man and "I Love Rock 'n' Roll" by Joan Jett and the Blackhearts. They loved the experience and can't wait to perform again soon.



Book Sale

On Thursday & Friday lunchtimes there will be a sale of withdrawn library books in the Hall foyer.

We have boxes of old books for sale, some favourites with some damage and some great books that are no longer read. Please bring small change – everything will be \$2 or under. There is a mix of fiction and non-fiction and books for all ages.

Volunteers for Book Repairs

We are slowly making our way through the pile of damaged books. Thank you for the help I have had. Any further offers appreciated. – Jane



PTA Update

Dumpling Knight – 6 September

Come along to an informative fun night where you will learn how to make dumplings the equal to or better than many restaurants. Dumplings are easy, cost effective, quick to make and quick to cook. Your family/friends will enjoy them

and praise you for making wonderful dumplings! Importantly, ticket sales will help your PTA reach their target of \$30,000 for the iPads that will progress our children's learning.

Thursday 6 September, 7–9pm

Kohia Terrace School hall

\$15pp Please pay on Kindo or at the office.

Door prize for all attendees

\$5 Raffle tickets available for a Coffee Machine valued at \$750. These can be purchased at the office or on the night. You do not need to attend the 'Dumpling Knight' to be in to win!



PTA Samosa Sale

Thanks everyone for supporting our samosa sale. We sold 168 packs of samosas, raising over \$1500 towards our goal of \$30,000. Our total for the year now stands at \$25,200.

Special thanks to those families who purchased multiple packs. Well done to Archie (Rm 1) who purchased 24 packs!

Just a reminder that pick up of the samosas will be this Thursday from 2.45pm till 3.30pm in the hall. If you are unable to pick up at this time, please let the office know in advance. – *Lisa*

The PTA again thanks LISA for her magnificent work in making this happen with a superb financial outcome – Rae



Spotlight on Sport

Water Polo

The KTS Water Polo team won 7:2 vs ANI Seals on Friday evening. This was the last game of the central league round robin and the team is undefeated.

Flippaball for Term 4

It is Flippaball registration time. We need 5 more players for the Year 3/4 team and 4 players for the year 5 team. Games are on Sundays and training is either Tuesday or Wednesday after school at Auckland Boys Grammar at 4:00pm. If you are interested in playing then please collect a registration form from the office (new players only).

Below are some guidelines and information for players:

- * The pool is 120cm deep.
- * Children need to be about 130–135cm to be able to touch the bottom and be able to see the ball and breathe above the water level.
- * Children need to be comfortable in the water without goggles.
- * Children need to be confident swimmers and stay afloat in deep pool water confidently for at least 30 seconds.
- * They should be able to swim a length of a pool confidently without stopping.
- * They will need to demonstrate fair play and listen to the coach, who is at times a College student.
- * With the games on a Sunday it is important that parents are able to commit to attending the games at this time.

Any questions please email Jayne jayne@kts.school.nz

Netball Uniforms Year 2 - 8

Please return your netball dress/uniform washed and dried to the office in a named plastic bag. Thank you to those who have already done this.

Coaches/Managers, can you please send back your gear bags with washed bibs and the coaching manual. Thanks – Jayne

Netball Season

It was a sunny, cold, rainy Thursday night that saw the close of the netball season. Nothing quite like four seasons in one night! I enjoyed going to watch the Year 2–4 teams play their last game. They all did so well and I could see the skills they had been working on all season. Congratulations to the all



the players this season. I was lucky enough to see the year 5 - 8 play at their zone competition earlier in the month. Thank you so much to the following coaches and managers for putting up their hands to help out our teams this year. We are so lucky to have the support of our community and I acknowledge the time they took to run a coaching session and then be at weekly games for the season.

Thank you so much to Rachel Oram, Katherine Steffensen, Kylie Gibbon, Suzanne Cartwright, Deepika Chand, Aarabi Jeyashankar, Rebecca, Lucy, Jay Jeyashankar, Anna Freeman, Kathryn Honey, Jessica Field, Nina Wong, Georgia Brown, Victoria Park, Penny Low, Jennifer Tupou, Susan McKay, Bridie Zarifeh and Sarah Brown. Thank you. – *Jayne Settle*







Community Notices

Wave Warriors Holiday Surf Programme

The O'Neil Surf Academy are running their popular holiday surf programme over the spring holidays for 6- to 16-year-olds at Orewa Beach. This 5-day programme runs from 1–5 October and from 8–12 October. Morning or afternoon session times. \$150 per person. Suitable for beginner and intermediate surfers – developing surf skills and water confidence in a fun and safe environment. Limited spaces, please email to book: surf@oneillsurfacademy.co.nz. For more info: www.oneillsurfacademy.co.nz



