



# Newsletter

**Tuesday 24th July 2018**

## Coming up

Fri 27th July	9:00am	Pick 'n Mix Prizegiving Assembly
Tue 31 July		ICAS English
	7:30pm	PTA Meeting
Wed 8 August		Central Zones Boys Basketball
Thur 9 August		Eden Albert Zones Netball
Fri 10 August		Central Zones Netball

## Quick Look

- Staffing Update
- Pick 'n Mix
- Junior Playground
- Kete Cards

A warm KTS welcome to Sam, NaYeon, Jordan, Mila and Mishita who started this week in Room 3; and to Hazel in Room 11, Canaan in Room 13, and Ruohan in Room 14.

A warm welcome also to everyone returning to KTS this term. We hope you had a lovely holiday and enjoyed some great family time over the last two weeks. Whilst it is good to holiday, it is also good to get back in to the normal routine, isn't it!

I would like to thank Penny Low and our Korean community for a fantastic Korean Celebration Day on the last day of Term 2. Such a lovely way to finish the term for sure. Check out the photos further on in the newsletter.

## Staffing Update

It is really good to have Catherine in a position to fully pick up the role of Deputy Principal. You will hear more from her next week when she writes the newsletter. Catherine will be continuing to teach French to the intermediate students and will also continue in her role as an Across-School Leader in our community of learning for the remainder of this year. She will be spending time in all classes getting to know the students in the younger years a little more, and will be responsible for other roles in the school including road patrol, assessment, ICAS and much more.

It has been wonderful to welcome Ben Nisbett (pictured right) to the school, and especially as the new teacher in Room 14. Ben is a fully registered teacher and joins us from Redoubt North Primary. Ben has a particular interest in junior fiction (he is writing his own book) and strategies to engage boys in learning.



### **Pick 'n Mix**

We are in the final stages of sorting things for the prizegiving assembly on Friday. All money and sponsorship forms should be returned to school by the end of tomorrow to ensure your child is in the draw. Our target was \$15000 and, thanks to some amazing sponsorship, the money coming in is all profit this year. At the last count, our total was an AMAZING **\$16 600**. Thank you to everyone for your support of this.

The money is going towards the new iPads that have been purchased for use in classrooms to support learning.

### **Junior Playground**

Work on the improvement of our junior playground starts this week. To ensure everyone is safe, fencing will be erected (we thought today but it seems it is now going to be tomorrow). You will still be able to access the junior area using the side gate. We anticipate it will take 3 weeks for the work to be completed. It will be so neat for the students to watch what is going on.

As some of the junior playground is out of action, the Year 2 and 3 students will be able to use the top court.

### **Kete Cards**

The Positive Behaviour for Learning (PB4L) team and the student leaders have been working on how we celebrate and acknowledge the positive choices students are making in the playground. The Kohia Code has been in place in the school for many years but we have now taken it to a new level.

As of yesterday, our Year 6–8 student coaches and the teachers on duty have the following three different cards to acknowledge different behaviour:

*Tu pono* – displaying respect for self and their own belongings

Examples of this could be:

- Puts polar fleece in bag
- Gets help when they need it
- Puts their lunchbox in their bag

*Manaakitanga* – displaying respect for others and their belongings

- Helps someone who is hurt
- Picks up someone's polar fleece and returns it
- Helps someone in the classroom with their learning

*Kaitiakitanga* – displaying respect for the school and the environment

- Picking up other people's rubbish
- Looking after our plants and gardens by not walking through them
- Recycling paper rubbish and feeding the worms with food waste

Each fortnight at assembly the winning class will receive the school kete and the prize box. The winning house will get a spin of the winning house wheel to see how they can celebrate their win on the following Friday. Options for that winning house include a mufti day, their house colour day, time to play with a very special sports box, or bringing their wheels to ride on (bike, scooter, skateboard etc). The winning house will have their new house flag fly with the NZ flag for that fortnight.

As yet we have not heard what the outcome is of the vote around strike action on Wednesday 15th August. I will certainly keep you informed. The decision is whether it is a half or full day so please consider what plans you may need to make. There are some staff who will be working but this will be minimal.

Thanks again for your support of the PTA Pick 'n Mix. Your support has been really appreciated. See you in and around school – *Alison*

## Belonging to Kohia Terrace School

### Thank you for our Korean Celebration

At the end of last term we had our KTS Korean celebration where we said farewell to our Term 2 Korean teachers. It was lovely to see our Korean students sharing their culture with their friends, family and peers. The children enjoyed tasting traditional food and taking part in the games and activities. Thank you to all of the families and students who contributed to this event.



### Handyman Needed for Stage Art

On the 22nd of August we have more than 80 children from Years 5–8 performing in Stage Art (a 6-minute performance which tells a story through dance and drama). Our theme we have chosen this year is International Night. I need a handyman to volunteer their time (not materials) to construct two 2D market stalls that will stand at the back of the stage. If you are able to help at all, please email [katie@kts.school.nz](mailto:katie@kts.school.nz) or come in and see me in Room 1. Thank you – *Katie Williams*

### Maths Week

Maths Week is next week and there is a way everyone can be involved. This year, there will be a daily challenge for parents/caregivers/relatives/nannies! In the office there will be a maths display and each new day there will be a different question on it. You will need to work out the answer, fill out an answer sheet and then post it in the box to be a winner!

Along with lots of activities going on in school, for the whole week there will be a Mathematics competition. The top five point scorers for the week will be awarded prizes and house points at assembly next Friday. Good luck to everyone! – *Katie Williams*

### PTA Second-Hand Uniform Sale

The second-hand uniform sale will be on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> August from 2:30 to 3:15pm. Come along and pick up a few items to plug the gap. The sale is held in the corridor area adjacent to the school office. Strictly 6 items only before 2:55pm to ensure fairness to all our families. We appreciate your understanding. There is still time if you would like to donate second-hand uniforms. Please drop them off in the office. Thanks for your support of the PTA.

### Netball Results (2 July – 8 July)

Y3 Falcons	win		Y4 Asteroids	win	
Y8 Phoenix	win		Y5 Stars	win	
Y4 Firebirds	loss				

## Community Notices

### GYMNASTICS

Fantastic skill development, fantastic strength building, fantastic **TUMBLING** training, fantastic flexibility & mental concentration, fantastic coaches & equipment, Fantastic Fun!

Register on the [www.GYMclub.co.nz](http://www.GYMclub.co.nz) website today!

Class starts on Wednesday the 1st of August at 8am in the school hall.

*"Classes are fantastic, more fun, more convenient, and I've learn't more in a term than I did in a year at my last club" Charlotte*

The cost for the 8 week term is only \$100.

Ph 0800 273368 [www.GYMclub.co.nz](http://www.GYMclub.co.nz)

### 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 and listening. Fun activities to engage students and to immerse them in a Mandarin-speaking environment.

Start: Term 3

Venue: Kohia Terrace School, Epsom

Email: [pistachiomandarin@gmail.com](mailto:pistachiomandarin@gmail.com) Website: [www.pistachiomandarin.weebly.com](http://www.pistachiomandarin.weebly.com)

Facebook: Pistachio Mandarin Language Centre

### What's in the latest issue of Tots To Teens Magazine?

The latest issue of Tots to Teens is out, and we have a fantastic new phone and computer friendly digital version for parents to view. Be the first to read about the latest way to connect with your kids by "love bombing", go beyond books to ramp up children's reading, feed your kids 5 healing foods that are easy on the pocket, teach kids how to spot a frenemy, become a gut microbiome expert, and discover 9 playful ways to teach children mindful breathing.

Click on the link to read this issue! <https://readymag.com/TOTSTOTEENS/Auckland/>

### Women in New Zealand Politics

Monday 30 July, 6pm-9pm | Raye Freedman Arts Centre

Epsom Girls Grammar School is hosting an inspiring discussion on Monday 30 July on "Women in New Zealand Politics". Come along and hear guest speakers Jeanette Fitzsimons, former co-leader of the Green Party; Chlöe Swarbrick MP, Spokesperson for Education & Youth; and Tessa Berger, Auckland Council Elected Member - all EGGs alumnae - talk openly about defining moments in their political careers, their influencers, the future of women in NZ politics and much more. Rawdon Christie, TV presenter and EGGs parent, will facilitate the thought-provoking panel discussion.

### **BUY TICKETS**

Finger food will be provided at the event, there'll be entertainment, a mix and mingle reception and some great raffle prizes to be won. Join us for a wonderful evening.

*All funds raised from this event will go towards transforming L Block into an innovative learning space.*



## AUCKLAND GRAMMAR SCHOOL 2019 In Zone Enrolments

A friendly reminder that In Zone enrolments for 2019 are now open. We encourage you to complete your online application as soon as possible. Please submit applications for Term 1 2019 by Friday 28 September 2018.

- 1) Go to the Auckland Grammar School website ([www.ags.school.nz](http://www.ags.school.nz)).



- 2) Click on 'Enrolment', then click on 'In Zone Enrolment' (highlighted).



- 3) On the left-hand menu, click on 'In Zone Enrolment for 2019' (highlighted).



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