



Newsletter

Tuesday 22 August 2017

This week

Wed 23/08		School Speech Competition (Y4–8)
Wed 23/08	7.30pm	Board of Trustees Meeting in staffroom

Coming up

Mon 28/08		PhotoLife - class and portrait photos
Wed 30/08		Central Zone Cross Country (Y7/8)
Fri 01/09		School Assembly hosted by Room 13
Tue 05/09	7.00pm	2018 Art Exhibition Meeting in staffroom
Tue 19/09		Mufti Day (party theme)
Thur 21/09		School Discos (Y1-4 5.00-6.30pm, Y5-8 7.00-8.30pm)
Fri 22/09		21st Birthday Quiz Night

Quick Look

- Cohort Entry
- 21st birthday celebrations
- Parenting with a growth Mindset

Welcome to Finn who has started with us in Room 3.

Well! What a great week Maths Week was, culminating with Mathex on Friday. A massive thanks to Nicola Zimmerman and all of her helpers for making the week engaging and **'mathemagical'** for everyone! Maths Week was also a big week for house points with **Te Kanawa** taking out the overall maths week 'title' and **Hillary** winning the Mathex competition. It was so great to see all of our contestants competing calmly, and working as a team to solve those tricky maths problems under pressure. Well done particularly to the Year 3 contestants and a special shout out to Eli from Room 6 – our youngest contestant ever at Year 2!

It was also lovely to have a **special guest** pop in to see us yesterday! Alison is now back from the overseas part of her field study and of course couldn't wait to come in to see how we all are. She looks amazing and of course is loving all of the learning she has done and is ready to share this learning with everyone through the paper that she has been researching and writing. She will be popping in every now and then and will be around for our special 21st birthday celebrations. Welcome home Alison!

Cohort Entry

Hopefully you will have all had time now to digest the changes that cohort entry are bringing to the school as from Term 1, 2018. We apologise again for the mix-up in dates as amended last Wednesday. When new policies are introduced into schools, there is often a bit of a challenge in adjusting to changes and we have had a few inquiries about this latest policy. We thought it might be a good idea to just clarify the whole process. Cohort entry is when a group of students around the same age all start school at the same time. New Zealand is a relatively late-adopter of this and

students have traditionally started on or around their 5th birthday. Based on research on transition into school, it is widely recognised that cohort entry is the best way to give our youngest students the best start to school and at KTS we are intending to have two start dates per term from the beginning of 2018 – the first in Week 1 of each term and the second in Week 6. We also feel it is best for students to have turned five when they start school – this means they will begin on the first start date after their 5th birthday. We would like to assure you that our students' well-being is at the heart of the decision that was made by the Board after much consultation with staff, parents and feeder ECE's. In response to that consultation we trust that the new policy is the preferred option for the majority of our community but of course we understand that some of you may have concerns about the changes. As this is a Board policy, please email the Board (ktsboard@kts.school.nz) if you would like to voice your views on the matter.

21st Birthday

Thanks to the wonderful volunteers on our amazing PTA! Birthday preparations are well underway for our 21st birthday celebrations in a few weeks time. If you are keen to help out with the celebrations in any way please contact your class Parent Liaison. These events rely on our parent community and we really **do** appreciate it. Tables are being quickly booked for the Quiz Night (see poster further in newsletter). If you haven't yet done so grab 8-10 friends and contact Hansha to book a table. It will be a night to remember I'm sure.

Parenting with a Growth Mindset

This parent event on September 4th is approaching quickly. If you intend to come along please email your child's teacher to RSVP. House points will be awarded for those who attend so this is our way of keeping a tally of this and to plan for the venue and refreshments. See the poster below!

That's all from me for now - take care everyone - Kath

Monday 4th September
3:30pm or 6:30pm

Come along and have a cup of tea and a chat with other parents!

Key speakers with tips for positive parenting!

Parenting with a Growth Mindset

KTS 'Parent Seminar'
September 4th 2017

All welcome!

Join us to discuss how to encourage your children to approach learning and life with a Growth

Spot prizes and house points to be won!

'School-age' child supervision will be provided for 3:30 presentation!

Congratulations

Literacy Awards

Bronze - Daniel R7, Kaylee R12

Cobalt - Honami R10, Jeremy C R11, Yahya R12

Gold - Kate R8

Celebrating Writing

Well done to Carver and Leo who each win 500 house points for great writing this week!



The Black Shadow by Carver Room 10

Slowly the shadow glided across the garden. A light shone making the shadow flicker like a candle. With a click the green shed door creaked open.....

Beach description by Leo Room 6

When I stepped out of the helicopter I could see calm waves swishing around the turquoise ocean crashing on some colossal, rocky, mossy mountains. Suddenly a giant ferry zoomed from the shiny beach. The people in the ferry's village were behind a few plants swishing peacefully. The waves also crashed on the golden beach. A dark shadow from the giant piece of mountain crept onto the ocean. The shadow was like the night. It covered a little bit of the golden beach. I felt excited to explore this mysterious island. The sky was cloudless and as blue as the ocean on a sunny day.

Certificates awarded at assembly on Friday 18 August 2017

R1	Both Rooms 1 & 2 for collaborating to make a successful assembly	R6	Arthur, Blake, Stella	R11	Mila, Fergus, Harley
R2		R7	Oscar, Daniel	R12	Yahya, Nikhita, Archie
R3	Nadia, Derek	R8	Kian, Briar, Yanice	R13	Ramahl, Poppy, Maggie, Adria
R4	Ahmed, Eloise	R9	Valerie, Kate, Charlotte	Intermediate: Sophia, Tanaka, Matthew, Marina, Kendall, Dylan	
R5	Emily, Mayoori	R10	Adrian, Honami, Andy		



Spotlight on Sport

Netball - The season finishes up this week. A reminder for all netball uniforms to be cleaned and returned in a **named plastic bag** to the office, thanks.

Netball Results (15-17 August)

Year 2 Eagles	draw		Year 3 Asteroids	win		Year 6 Phoenix	draw
Year 2 Falcons	win		Year 4 Stars	win		Year 6 Hawkes	draw
Year 3 Firebirds	win		Year 5 Comets	win		Year 7/8 Warriors	win

AIMS Update

With New Zealand AIMS Games coming up in three weeks time, we (Dayna and Teri) are super excited to be attending this event. Dayna will be going for one swimming event, 50m breast-stroke. To be able to go at all, Dayna had to be in a competitive swim club as well as make certain times. Teri however only had to be in a competitive trampoline club to qualify. Teri is going for trampolining and double mini tramp. We are super excited to attend this event since Georgia (an Intermediate who went last year), says it's super fun and worth going to. We feel that we will not sleep until the day before AIMS (which is in 20 days!). *Dayna & Teri*



Belonging to Kohia Terrace School

PhotoLife will be in school next Monday, 28th August to take class and portrait photos. There will be no sports team photos this year, instead, the teams will take an informal team photo at their last game. If you require a **sibling** photo, please collect a form from the office. For more information on our Photo day and/or to download a sibling photo order form go to our school website: www.kts.school.nz > Parent Link > School Notices.



Koru visits to the Auckland Art Gallery

The Koru team were lucky enough to go to the Auckland Art Gallery. Here we learnt about creating our own pieces of art by following a process and trying some new things such as spray painting. We even got to bring our creations home. In small groups we then got to tour around the different exhibitions and see lots of different examples of art. We saw sculptures as big as a room, tinsel interactive art, colour block bright canvas art and some really old traditional portraits. There was also an interactive room where we could play with different frames and

equipment. The grown ups really enjoyed the fabulous cafe also. It was one of the best trips we have done. If you haven't had a chance to visit the gallery, we highly recommend it.



Art Exhibition 2018


We need you!! We hope you got to come along to this year's Art Exhibition. It's always an exciting event. If you would like to join our awesome Art Committee for 2018 then we would love to see you on Tuesday 5th September at 7pm. We will be discussing ideas and future plans as organisation for this event starts early. The meeting will be in the staffroom. Everyone welcome!

Patrol Supervision

Thank you to the parents currently helping out with patrol supervision. If anyone is able to help out on the Kohia crossing on Thursdays from 3 - 3.15pm please email Hansha (hansha@kts.school.nz). Thank you.

Pie Day last Thursday raised \$521 towards the PTA Fundraising. Thank you for your support.

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THE POWER TO DREAM | THE PASSION TO ACHIEVE

Yes! Kohia Terrace School is turning 21!

You and your friends are invited to take part in the celebrations. We have a proud reputation for holding boisterous, fun and competitive quiz nights. So we'd like to invite you to attend our

21st Birthday Quiz Night

7pm, Friday 22 September, 2017

\$350 for a table for 10. Please enquire in person, over phone or by email with Hansha in the school office (hansha@kts.school.nz) to book a table.

So, get in contact with all your friends so that you can make up a table group. Let your flamboyance flourish with themed costumes. And remember, innovative and creative costume ideas will be rewarded! We look forward to seeing our community at this event.

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General Notices

Performing Arts Holiday Program - We Give Kids Confidence - Sing-Act-Dance

Perform in our 'Back into the Woods' Show!

Epsom Girls Grammar School Monday 9th to Friday 13th October

Early Booking Rate *expires 11th September 2017*

Enrol ONLINE now!! www.kidsupfront.co.nz

9:00am to 3:00pm FREE Extended Hours!!!! 8:00am to 5:30pm



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