



Kelvin Road School Newsletter

“Be the best you can be...
Kia toa, Kia Manawanui

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Term 4 Week1

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Welcome, Haere Mai, Nau Mai, Malo e me'a mai, Afio mai, Kia Orana, Xin chao, Magandang umaga ,Fakaalofa atu ki a mutolu

Welcome to all of our new children part way through last term and new to our school this term.

MARK YOUR
CALENDAR!

Upcoming dates

**Wednesday 23rd
Nov**

New Zealand
ShakeOut 2019
Earthquake
Emergency drill

**Tuesday 19th
Nov**

BOT meeting -
3.45pm

Friday 29th Nov
Year 6 activity day
- Sonshine Ranch

Friday 6th Dec
Rainbows End

Friday 13th Dec
End of Term 4

**Monday 3rd Feb
2020**
Start of Term 1

Daily Karakia

Thank you to **Dassidy, Jahmin** and **Jamelia** from Ruma Wha for helping us begin and end our day this week with a karakia, waiata and the haka through the intercom system to all classrooms.

Uniforms



Let's all be proud to wear our Kelvin Road School uniform every day. There is an expectation that children will wear the right uniform.

The correct uniform is the blue poloshirt with the KRS logo on the front, navy blue shorts or trackpants, blue polar fleece jumper with KRS logo on the front and the black Kidscan Warriors jacket. The uniform items with logo can only be purchased at The Uniform Shop on Wood Street, however the navy blue shorts or trackpants can be bought at The Warehouse/Kmart etc.

This also means children should not be wearing clothing under their poloshirts that can be seen i.e long sleeve t-shirts that are not blue.

Papakura Inter-School Mathex 2019

Tuesday the 15th of October came around far too quickly for eight of our very talented Year 6 Math Students. It was Mathex time and they were nervous, nervous but ready.

Ms Harpur shouted pizza and drinks prior to the competition, resulting in content, but full tummies. At this stage there was a bit of a concern that the Runners - Laiana and Oscar - wouldn't be able to do their jobs! Luckily there was no need to worry as they ran their little hearts out.

The competition was stiff but Ms Harpur reckons we did her proud, Mrs Smith came along for support and transport and she looked pretty chuffed too.

All in all it was a great night, fabulous experience with fantastic kids doing what they love - here's to Mathex 2020 :)



Whenuapai Airbase Trip 'School to Skies'

On Tuesday 15th October our Year 7 and 8 students and also the Year 6 councillors were fortunate enough to be part of the School to Skies programme which meant a trip to the Whenuapai Air Base. The School to Skies programme is an ongoing partnership with the Air Force teaching our students about careers such as pilots, engineers, aircraft technicians, air warfare officers, avionics technicians, and communication system technicians.



Learning about the engines in the workshop.



Noah getting ready to fly the plane.



Jodacey being told about the fire trucks.

New Zealand ShakeOut 2019

We are holding an earthquake emergency drill on Wednesday 23rd October at 11.45 am as part of the New Zealand ShakeOut 2019.

How to ShakeOut

New Zealand ShakeOut is a self-run earthquake drill.

- **DROP** down on your hands and knees. This protects you from falling but lets you move if you need to.
- **COVER** your head and neck (or your entire body if possible) under a sturdy table or desk (if it is within a few steps of you).
- **HOLD** on to your shelter (or your position to protect your head and neck) until the shaking stops. If the shaking shifts your shelter around, move with it.

If you would like some resources for your household to practice at home the link to the ShakeOut website is:

<https://getready.govt.nz/prepared/household/>

Car speeds on surrounding roads and parking matters

Speeding

It has come to our attention that drivers are not adhering to the legal speed limit close to the school, especially on Sheehan Ave and Maurice St. Please make sure you are careful around the school especially around start and finish times. The speed limit around schools from 8 am to 3.30 pm is 40 km, drivers are exceeding this speed by far more. Please put the word out to family and friends who may not see our newsletter or FaceBook page.

Parking issues

Maurice Street

We have also been told of parents/caregivers using the back entrance of the school (Maurice St) as a turning point. This not only causes congestion but it is extremely unsafe, this where children exit the school grounds and also walk around the footpath, it is only a matter of time before a child is accidently hurt. Please do not drive the whole way down Maurice St, park further up the road, children are more than capable of walking the few extra metres.

Kelvin Road

It is becoming more and more frequent that parents/caregivers are using the school driveway entrance as a drop off point. This is not only blocking the gate from staff to enter but it also means you are parked over a pedestrian crossing that links the footpath across the driveway. By staff having to wait on the road it means they are also holding up the traffic on Kelvin Road. Please refrain from doing this and let others know to do the same.

We would hate to involve the Police or Auckland transport in these matters as it may result in parking infringement tickets.

Rubbish

Please be mindful of our surrounding neighbours and keep our neighbourhood clean. Can you please talk with your tamariki about make sure they do not drop rubbish on their way home from school and to make sure they place it in a rubbish bin.

We have also had complaints from houses close by regarding parents/caregivers leaving rubbish on the side of the road and in the gutters after they have picked up their children. Please be a tidy kiwi and take your rubbish with you.

BREAKFAST CLUB
8.00 - 8.30 am.
All Kelvin Road School Students are welcome



Our School App

- 🔔 Events
- 🔔 Cancellations
- 🔔 Notices
- 🔔 Newsletters
- 🔔 Permission Slips
- 🔔 Instant notifications
- 🔔 Absentees



Simple free download:
In Google play & App Store search 'Skool Loop' & choose our school once installed.

Papakura Family Service Centre

The Papakura Family Service Centre on Maurice St provides the following services, they are contactable on 299-6610

- Great Potentials Papakura Early Learning Centre
- Social Work and Counselling
- HIPPY - Home Interaction Programme for Parents and Youngsters