



# Kelvin Road School Newsletter

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

5th March 2020  
Term 1 Week 5

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**MARK YOUR  
CALENDAR!**

## Upcoming dates

**Tuesday 10th Mar**  
Summer Sports day  
Year 3 & 4 Swimming  
Sports

**Wednesday 11th  
March**  
Meet the Teacher  
evening 2.45pm-6pm

**Thursday 12th Mar**  
Junior Swimming  
Sports

**Wednesday 1st Apr**  
Whanau Hui  
2.45pm-4.45pm

**Thursday 9th Apr**  
Term 1 ends - 2.30pm

**Monday 27th Apr**  
Term 2 starts -  
8.30am

**Friday 22nd May**  
Teacher Only Day -  
**School Closed**

**Tuesday 2nd June**  
Teacher Only Day -  
**School Closed**

**Friday 3rd June**  
Term 2 ends - 2.30pm

**Monday 20th July**  
Term 3 starts -  
8.30am

**3rd - 7th August**  
School art exhibition -  
school hall

**Friday 25th Sep**  
Term 3 ends - 2.30pm

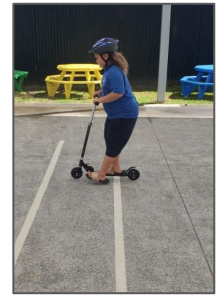
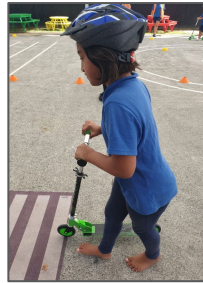
**Monday 12th Oct**  
Term 4 starts -  
8.30am

**Monday 9th Nov**  
Teacher Only Day -  
**School Closed**

**Wednesday 15th  
Dec**  
Term 4 ends

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

The Middle school have had an awesome time learning how to be safe on scooters thanks to Marianne Garvey from Auckland Transport. We learnt some new skills including: weaving in and out of cones, emergency stopping, braking and practised walking our scooter over a pedestrian crossing. We learnt how to fit and wear a helmet correctly using our fingers. We look forward to spending more time on the scooters next week and putting our learned safety skills into action.



## Book School Interviews Online

Meet the Teacher interviews will be held at the following times:

- 2:45 pm - 6.00 pm Wednesday 11th March

To book your interviews, go to [www.schoolinterviews.co.nz/code](http://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz/code) in your browser, and enter the event code **upnhh**. Then follow these three simple steps:

1. First enter your name, your student's name, and your email address.
2. If you need to book for more than one student, change the "Book for x students" setting, and enter the other student's name.
3. On the next page, pick the teachers you want to meet. You will then see a timetable showing when your chosen teachers are available. Simply click on the times that suit you.

When you have finished your interview timetable will be emailed to you.

You can return to the site and enter the event code **upnhh** again to change or cancel your interviews.

If you don't have internet access, please call the school office on 09 298 8417. They will be able to make a booking for you.

## Attendance

Thank you to all the parents/caregivers who are contacting the school when your child is absent.

Remember you can text, phone or visit to explain the reason as to why your child is absent. If you are unable to contact the school on the day, please write a note for your child to bring to the office on their return date.

This year we are focusing on improving our attendance percentage. We are currently averaging close to 80%, our target is over 90%. Keep an eye out for the updates.

## Covid-19 Update

Yesterday afternoon the Director General of Health announced the confirmation of a third case of COVID-19. When this occurs and there is an association with one or more schools and or early learning services we will put out a Special Bulletin and we will provide you with the communications developed for the Principal(s) and or Early Learning Services Leader(s) to put out to their parent communities.

Yesterday's announcement involved a family that has two children at two Auckland Schools – Ormiston Junior College and Auckland Grammar. The family is now in self-isolation. Neither child has shown any symptoms and they are not currently showing any symptoms. They are in self-isolation in case they do develop the virus.

None of these students had or showed signs of any symptoms when they attended schools. This means they were not infectious which in turn means there are no risks to other students or to teachers and school staff. With this virus you cannot be infectious if you show no symptoms and you cannot as a contact of a contact of someone with the virus get the virus.

In the meantime, we can provide you some further facts from the World Health Organization.

- Evidence from China shows that only 1% of reported cases do not have symptoms, and most of those cases develop symptoms within 2 days.
- Young people 18 years and under represent less than 2.4 per cent of those who have contracted the virus.
- From the data we have so far, COVID-19 does not transmit as efficiently as influenza.

It continues to remain that the best thing to do is to practice good preventative measures, particularly good hygiene:

- Washing hands with soap and water for 20 seconds before and after eating as well as after attending the toilet
- Covering coughs and sneezes with clean tissues or with an elbow
- Putting used tissues in the bin
- Encouraging staff and students to stay home if they are unwell

Below is a link to a website for information on how to talk to your children about Coronavirus without making them worried.  
<https://www.tvnz.co.nz/one-news/new-zealand/nanogirls-tips-talking-kids-coronavirus-without-making-them-worried>

### Teacher Aide position

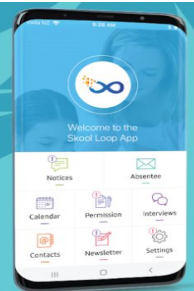
We are currently looking for an enthusiastic person to work closely with our tamariki in the classroom. The successful applicant will need to be police vetted. If you would like to apply please drop your CV off to the school office.

Stay in the loop this summer

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Simple free download: In the Play Store and App Store search 'Skool Loop' and choose our school once installed.



### Teacher Only Days

We have planned for 3 teacher only days this year. The school will only be open for teachers on these days. The dates are:

Term 2 Week 4 - Friday 22/5/20

Term 2 Week 6 - Tuesday 2/06/20  
(This one impacts on a few schools in Papakura)

Term 4 Week 5 - Monday 9/11/20

After school rock climbing at Redhill Community Centre in Papakura starts Thursday 5th March. 3:30 to 4:45pm, 5 weeks for just \$50 per climber. An adult needs to stay and be willing to belay (hold the rope, a qualified instructor will teach this). For more info and to book email:  
[sarah@redhill.org.nz](mailto:sarah@redhill.org.nz)

### Caregiver contact details

If you have had a change of address or phone number you will need to contact the school office to update your details. This is very important in case an emergency occurs at school involving your child and we need to contact you. These details are only kept on file for this reason and are confidential.

If you would like to report an absence please call

092988417

(press 1 for absences)

Or

Text 021 089 17417

