



# Kelvin Road School Newsletter

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

12th June 2020  
Term 2 Week 9

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**MARK YOUR  
CALENDAR!**

## Upcoming dates

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

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

**7th -11th  
September**  
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**

Kia ora e tē whānau

I am sure you were as pleased as I was to hear the Prime Minister's announcement about moving to Alert Level 1. For us, there will be no major changes to what we are doing and our school continues to be safe to attend, including any staff and children who are considered more vulnerable to COVID. We have a good cleaning routine in place, people who are sick are staying at home and we continue to encourage good hygiene practices.

There will now be no tracking or visitor register taken by staff at the gates from today onwards, however, we will have the school's QR code on the gates for visitors to scan.

We are supporting contact tracing by having QR code posters (please see below) at our entrances – so if you haven't already downloaded the NZ COVID Tracer app the Ministry of Health's [NZ-COVID Tracer app page](#) has information to help you do that.

The pedestrian gates within the school by the Family Centre and by the school office will be locked from 9 am until 2.15 pm daily. Children who are late will still be able to get into school via the office through the Kelvin Road pedestrian gate as they currently do. Keep encouraging your child to be on time for learning at or before 8.30 am.

We can now look forward to inter-school and community sport, cultural events and performances and to welcoming all of our school community on-site for these activities. We are also planning increased numbers of field trips and other excursions. Keep a lookout on our; electronic board, school newsletter, notices, Facebook or Skool Loop for events involving your child.

It is pleasing to see our roll numbers continue to increase and children are happy to once again be back at school with their friends, teachers and having fun learning and playing. We, therefore, look forward to seeing you and your child very soon if you haven't already returned.

**If you would like to  
report an absence**

**please call  
092988417  
(press 1 for  
absences)**

**Or  
Text**

**021 089 17417**



## Contact Tracing App

Schools are not required to collect contact tracing information anymore from Alert Level 1. If you wish to continue tracing your own whereabouts using the COVID Tracer App. You will find this QR on the school gates at both the back and front of the school.





## SAMOAN LANGUAGE WEEK

Brand new student Gloria Room 23, who arrived recently from Samoa showed willingness and bravery when she offered to say a prayer in Samoan for Samoan Language Week on our PA system for our whole school. He mihi nui kia koe Gloria. Miharo ahau.

Na Whaea Neroli



## **Tivaevae**

Tivaevae are beautiful quilts or bedspreads made from the Cook Islands (other Polynesian cultures also have their own traditions similar to the Cook Islands Tivaevae). The meaning in English of Tivaevae is patchwork. Tivaevae is when pieces of material is sewn together to create a larger quilt. Traditionally it is made either by one woman or a group of women. Tivaevae is given to mark a special occasion like birthdays, weddings or funerals. It can be presented as a gift for an important visitors as art. Tivaevae designs can include geometric shapes, flowers, birds or animals.



## **Assembly**

Whole school assemblies will begin back next week, Friday 19th June, at 1.45pm in the school hall, They will then be held every second Friday.

All whanau are welcome.

## **FAMILY CONNECT**

### **Family Connect Digital Programme**

- 30 hours free basic digital learning in your own home
- The opportunity to purchase subsidised internet
- The opportunity to purchase a subsidised new chromebook
- A Certificate upon course completion

Conditions apply, please contact the school for more information on how to register.  
(09) 298 8417  
secretary@krs.ac.nz

## **Board of Trustees**

Welcome to Tina Matthews our recently elected BoT staff representative.

Our current BoT members are:  
Heather Tanner - Principal  
Roland Olago - Chairperson  
Tina Matthews - Staff elected representative  
Rangimaria Makara  
Joanna Harris  
Rose Te Wheoro  
Julie Hyland



The Year 5-8 children will be practising their bike riding skills from the 23rd to the 26th of June. We have been lucky to secure this opportunity for the pupils again this year and we look forward to working with Bigfoot Adventures who provide the bikes, helmets and educators. More information will come out next week!

## **New Entrant transitions**

If you have a 4 year old that is close to starting school they will need to have three class visits before they officially start school. These can be organised at the school office. Please call (09) 298 8417 and speak with the school secretary.

## **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.