



Kohimarama School

Tuesday 3rd May

A MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Tena Koutou Katoa,

Welcome back to a beautiful sunny term 2.

Thank you to all the parents, caregivers and students who attended the Student Achievement Discussions in the last week of term 1. We had over 90% of our families engaged in a conversation with their children and teachers about their learning and I am sure everyone came out of the conversations having learnt something valuable.

Our Year 6 and 7 students will be heading off on two school camps over the next two weeks. These are both new camps for our school and we are very excited about the opportunities and challenges our students will experience. The year 6 students will be spending three days at Shakespeare Lodge in the Shakespeare Park, Whangaparaoa, while our year 7 students will be having four days at Motutapu Camp on Motutapu Island in the Hauraki Gulf. The organisation of these camps has been a significant undertaking for the staff over the last 3 months so a big thank you to Jodi Yee, Don Forbes, Aimee Kovacevic and Ashleigh Milne. Parent support is essential for such camps to proceed so thank you also to the parents who are accompanying these groups and taking on some challenges of their own.

I am pleased to inform you that our student council Fiji fundraiser in term 1 raised \$980 for the Red Cross. It is always a thrill to see how well our students support our term fundraisers and to be able to donate significant amounts of money to worthy causes.

I would like announce the appointment of Debbie Ellery as our new deputy principal to replace Nick Butler. Debbie is currently Assistant Principal at Farm Cove Intermediate and will commence in her new role at the start of term 3.

Could I please ask that no students or parents use the driveway below the junior playground to access the school at either the beginning or end of the school day. We will be replacing existing signage to try and make this much clearer. This is an out of bounds area for students and a driveway for cars and trucks clearing our rubbish and recycling bins. We need everyone in the school community to follow the requirements for this area.

Please be aware and plan for our Teacher Only Day on Monday 25th July, as the school will be closed for students. This is the Monday after the July school holidays which means our students will return to school for term 3 on Tuesday 26th July. Teaching staff will be involved in professional development with an external facilitator on the 25th July.

*Education is the most powerful weapon you can use to change the world.
Nelson Mandela*

Up and Coming Events

Wednesday 4th May - Friday 6th May

Thursday 5th May

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Friday 6th May

Monday 9th May

Tuesday 10th May - Friday 13th May

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Year 6 Camp

Kids Lit Quiz

Yr 7/8 Vaccinations

School Assembly

PTA Meeting

Yr7 Camp

Yr 8 Orienteering

House Points Update: Term 2, Week 1

Last week of Term 1 the House winners were:

Patteson

House Points for the Week:

1st Patteson 2nd Selywn 3rd Atkin 4th Colenso

Total House Points as at 2 May

Atkin: 954

Colenso: 772

Patteson: 1013

Selwyn: 910

PTA NEWS

Upcoming events for Term 2



Monday 9 th May	PTA AGM 7pm Staff room
Friday 10 th June	Trivia Night
Monday 13 th June	PTA Meeting 7pm Staff room
Monday 4 th July	PTA Meeting 7pm Staff room

PTA on the school website

FYI - The PTA section of our school website is regularly updated with the minutes / calendar and forms. If you can't find the information you need on this section of the newsletter then please refer to the website.



PTA AGM

Have your say and make a difference.

Please come to our AGM on Monday 9th May and influence what our direction will be for 2017. We'll be voting on our new exec team. If you'd like to learn more, or nominate for a position, please contact

kohiptasecretary@gmail.com

No pressure, just come.



Trivia Night

"We urgently need someone with a current bar managers licence to enable us to sell alcohol at this years Trivia Night. We would need the person to attend the event and supply bar licence number in advance for the application to council. If you can help please contact Mel Evans at mellywhale@yahoo.co.uk ASAP. Thanks!"

Regular School PTA Activities

Walking school bus – Interested in joining the walking school bus? Please contact Mattie on

mattie.queale@xtra.co.nz

Second hand uniforms - We have plenty of second-hand uniforms at present. The prices are approx.. \$25 Fleece, \$15 Polo T's, \$20 Shorts / Skorts and \$20 red sports T. If you are interested in purchasing anything, please email Michelle at michelle@fusionlimited.co.nz.

Ice block Fridays - Remember to send \$2 with your child on Friday for an ice block to be sold in last break.

Yummy Stickers - Help our school promote healthy eating and win sports gear at the same time! Go to www.yummyfruit.co.nz for further instructions. You can drop off your sheets in the PTA box (in the office)

A SELWYN COMMUNITY ARTS THEATRE & KIM SANTARELLI DANCE ACADEMY PRODUCTION

Book, Music
& Lyrics by
Lionel Bart

Oliver!

Tickets Ph: 523 3275

Adults \$20
Concession \$15

Wed 18 to
Sat 21 May
7:30pm

Matinee 2pm
Sat 21 May

Orchestral arrangements by William David Brohn Original orchestrations adapted by Stephen Metcalfe
By arrangement with Hal Leonard Australia Pty. Ltd, exclusive representative of Cameron Mackintosh and the Southbrook Group.