

Dobri dan, Bonjour, Hola, Zdravstvuyte, Nǐn hǎo, Salve, Konnichiwa, Guten Tag, Olá, Anyoung haseyo, Asalaam alaikum, Kia ora koutou, greetings everyone,

What a year this week has been! We are certainly encountering unprecedented times and the feeling has been quite surreal. Children look to adults for guidance on how to react to stressful events such as COVID-19. Parents, caregivers, whānau and teachers will have a particularly important part to play in reassuring children at this time and remaining calm is imperative. The link below is a great tool to explain the virus to children, watch it together and be open to discussion with your child.

At school we are regularly promoting with children the importance of washing of hands with soap and sneezing into their elbow area. We continue to follow the Ministry of Education guidelines and will not be holding any assemblies until further notice. As you will understand the Ministry of Health and Ministry of Education are updating schools constantly and we will continue to follow their advice; at this stage we are currently looking into remote learning options so that we will be prepared if the need arises.

We have sent home an important email today, please reply for each of your children. It is imperative that this information is received by Monday 4pm.

Thank you for your co-operation and support during this time, it really is appreciated. The government has set up a website dedicated to Covid-10 and has common sense advice and updates <https://covid19.govt.nz/>

Over the last two weeks we have had the senior swimming sports and the junior swimfest. What fantastic events these have been. A huge thanks to all of the teachers who have worked tirelessly behind the scenes to ensure these days went off without a hitch. The children were true KORU kids at these events, persevering, supporting others and doing their absolute best.

The end of term one is coming fast, please remember that we have 3 way conferences on the 7th and 8th of April. We are asking that children are collected early, at 12.15pm on Tuesday the 7th to assist teachers. [click here to](#)

Enjoy your weekend!
Dr Sarah Brown
Principal



Next term we are pleased to be offering the Reading Together programme at Kerikeri Primary School. The programme covers strategies for helping children with reading at home; specifically how to provide encouragement and support as well as what to do if your child needs help when they are reading. Reading Together is run in many schools across New Zealand. Whanau who have completed the programme have said how successful it was for their child's reading progress and confidence. The programme consists of four, one and a half hour sessions held here at school. More information on dates and times will follow.

We will provide child care for families who are attending the programme. There will also be food provided for those attending. If you are interested in attending the Reading Together programme please email Brenda (brendaf@kkps.school.nz). Please indicate if you will need child care while attending the programme. Thank you, Rosemary Murphy.





Easter Raffle

Mon 30th March-Tues 7th April

DONATE an Egg/Easter Toy/Book
for our Easter Raffle

DONATIONS to Miss Brooks (rm 27)
or Mr Kirkland (rm 19)

Early Bird

Raffle Tickets **ON SALE NOW** on **KINDO** **\$1**

Raffle Drawn on Thursday 9th April



Go to www.kerikeriprimary.school.nz/shop to access the KKPS Online shop.

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DATES TO REMEMBER

- Drop off pumpkins: 26th March
- Jolly Juicy Day: 27th March
- Rōpu Day: 27th March
- 3 Way Conferences: 7th/8th April
- Term 1 finishes: 9th April
- Term 2 starts: 28th April
- Teacher only day: 29th May

All n Rhythm
FAMILY ENTERTAINMENT CENTRE
Childcare Program
KKPS Teachers Only Day
Friday 29th May 2020
Drop Offs 8.30am - 9.00pm \$40.00pp
Bring Packed Lunch & Drink Bottle
PRE BOOKINGS ONLY
Ph: 407-8624 or email: leona@allnrhythm.co.nz

PTA FUNDRAISER
ONLINE ORDERS ONLY
Deadline 4pm Thursday 26th March
FRIDAY 27th March
JOLLY JUICY DAYS

ONLY \$1
Order online at KINDO
The juices will be delivered to your class at Morning Tea.



Revised Plans for Giant Festival

Please drop off **GIANT PUMPKINS** to the Hall Foyer on
Thursday 26th March 8-9am and 2.50-3.15pm

Friday 27th March 8- 9am

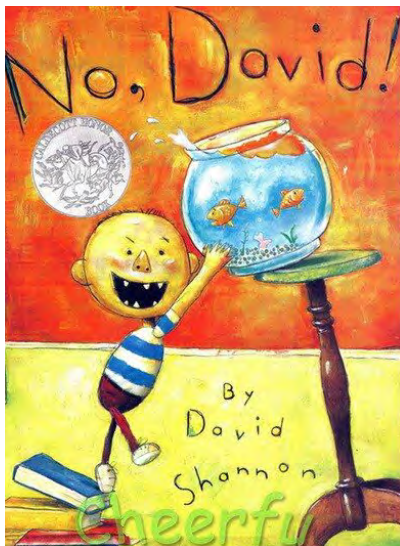
- ◇ During the morning of Friday 27th March the PTA will weigh/judge pumpkins.
- ◇ An announcement will be made via email to the classes and to whānau early in the afternoon.
- ◇ We will present Prizewinners with certificates and prizes on Friday Afternoon.
- ◇ Class will be encouraged to view the pumpkins during the afternoon period. After school, if you would like to take your pumpkin home-please collect it. Any pumpkins not collected on Friday afternoon will be rehomed.



Class of the Fortnight - Room 9



Here are our rocket ships we drew using crayon and dye. We've written 'what we like', 'what we don't like', 'what we wish' and 'what we're scared of' on the flames shooting us into space.



We've drawn self-portraits in the style of David Shannon.