

# NEWSLETTER

15th September 2023

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

We hope this newsletter finds you well and that you're enjoying the transition into the beautiful spring season. We have some exciting updates and highlights from the past fortnight to share with you.

## STEAM Rōpu Day

Last week, we held our STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Mathematics) Rōpu Day, and it was a wonderful experience for our students, parents, and grandparents who joined us. We want to extend our heartfelt thanks to all the parents and grandparents who participated; your presence and involvement made the day even more special. We always welcome whānau to engage with us on these occasions as it enriches the learning experience for our children. The day was filled with exciting activities and collaborative projects that not only fostered creativity, but also promoted teamwork among our students.

## Pūkōrero Competition: Celebrating Māori Language

We're proud to announce the success of our Pūkōrero competition, where our students showcased their proficiency in the Māori language through speeches. We want to congratulate all

the students who participated; your dedication and hard work paid off, and we commend your efforts. Behind the scenes, our staff in Te Whakatupuranga worked tirelessly to ensure the competition ran smoothly, and their commitment to promoting Maori language and culture is truly commendable.

## Interschool Speech Competition:

This week, four of our senior students participated in the interschool speech competition. We're delighted to report that they represented our school with great poise, eloquence, and confidence. We applaud their outstanding performances and the pride they brought to our school. In the year 5 section: Alliah Alhasheme placed 3rd. In the year 6 section: Shaylee Tucker was 1st and Beau Mounter, 3rd. Well done everyone, fantastic results for KKPS!



## Our New Assistant Principal

We are thrilled to announce that Kelsey Weber has been appointed as our Assistant Principal, starting at the beginning of next year. Kelsey's experience and dedication to education make her a valuable addition to our Senior Leadership

Team, and we look forward to her contributions to our school's continued growth and success.

## Three Way Conferences:

We would like to express our gratitude to all parents and caregivers who attended the three-way conferences this week. These conferences are an essential part of our collaborative efforts to support our students' development. We cherish the partnership we have with our whānau and believe that open communication is key. If you ever have any questions or concerns regarding your child/ren, please don't hesitate to contact your child's teacher via Dojo or email to arrange a suitable time to discuss matters. Your understanding of scheduling meetings rather than approaching teachers before school is greatly appreciated as it allows them to focus on preparing for the day.

## Enjoy Your Weekend

As we head into the weekend, we hope you find time to relax, recharge, and spend quality moments with your loved ones. Thank you for your ongoing support and involvement in our school community. Together, we can ensure the success and well-being of our children.

Ngā mihi  
Dr Sarah Brown



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Phone: 09 407 8414

Absences:

press 1

message for child  
press 2

Absence txt:

0211242836 text only

[admin@kkps.school.nz](mailto:admin@kkps.school.nz)

## School Calendar

[click here](#)

## Lunches

[lunchorders.co.nz](http://lunchorders.co.nz)

Lunch Orders delivered daily

[sushigallerykerikeri.com](http://sushigallerykerikeri.com)

Sushi Gallery delivers Thurs

## Uniforms

DD Gold

p: 09-407 1527

e: [logo@ddgold.co.nz](mailto:logo@ddgold.co.nz)

PTA 2nd hand uniform

text only 02108506380

include size and item required



Class Dojo



Log in to Kindo



Find us on  
facebook



20th September  
Yr 5/6 Market Day

20th September  
School Board Meeting

31st October  
KKPS has got talent and  
Monster Mash

2nd November  
Photolife: Class & Portrait  
Photos

3rd November  
Photolife: Sibling Photos

3rd November  
Gumboot Friday

13th November  
Teacher only Day



## Out of Zone Enrolments

Enrolment at the school is governed by an enrolment scheme, details of which are available from the school office or our website.

Email: [enrolments@kkps.school.nz](mailto:enrolments@kkps.school.nz) for application forms and further instructions or visit our website.

The board has determined that 20 year 0/1, 10 year 2, 10 year 3 and 5 year 4 places are likely to be available for out-of-zone students next year. The exact number of places will depend on the number of applications received from students who live within the school's home zone.

Next year there will be 4 enrolment periods. The first enrolment period runs from first day of school in the new year to last day of term 1. For students seeking enrolment within the first enrolment period, the deadline for receipt of applications for out-of-zone places is Wednesday 11 October 2023

Parents of students who live within the home zone and intend enrolling their child at any time during the next year should notify the school as soon as possible to assist the school to plan appropriately for next year.

If the number of out-of-zone applications exceeds the number of places available, students will be

selected by ballot. If a ballot for out-of-zone places is required, it will be held on Wednesday 18 October 2023. Parents will be informed of the outcome of the ballot within three school days of the ballot being held.

Details relating to the future enrolment periods are as follows:

**Term 2.** Deadline for receipt of applications: March 11th 2024  
Date of ballot: March 18th 2024

**Term 3.** Deadline for receipt of applications: 11th May 2024  
Date of ballot: 18th May 2024

**Term 4.** Deadline for receipt of applications: 11th August 2024  
Date of ballot: 18th August 2024

## Pūkōrero (Māori speeches)

We had an amazing group of taitamariki who presented an explosive X-factor level of 'tikanga, te reo and mātauranga Māori!' Fortunately, we had the awesome tautoko (support) of our tuākana from Kerikeri High School, who were kaiwhakawā (judges) for the Middles and Senior sections.

Ngā Kākano (Years 0-2)



Nellie Lowe, Rawiri Herama-Clarkson, Spencer Merlo (1st), Hawaiki Apiata (3rd), Anahera Cox-Glasgow (2nd), Matire Marino-Luatua, Rylan Te Iri and Hineira Peri  
Judges: Dana Rameka, Austin Moir, Jess Moir

Ngā Tupuranga (Years 3-4)



Harriet Lowe (1st), Rangi Huirama-Moore (3rd), Kymani Ashby Tane, Te Kahurangi McLean, Blake Freakley, Isabelle Moir (2nd)  
Judges: Atea Rush, Tame Huirama-Moore, Ripeka Tane

Ngā Puāwaitanga (Years 5-6)



Lyreena Heta, Ava Rakana (3rd), Aio Kingi (1st), Taonga Hau (2nd), Myra Tongaawhikau  
Judges: Mereana Huirama-Moore, Atarangi Huirama-Moore, Atahikoia Smith, Rongoa Mata-Ariki

## Late Students

Punctuality plays a crucial role in a child's academic journey. Arriving at school on time not only helps students settle into their daily routines smoothly but also sets a strong foundation for their academic success. We kindly request your assistance in ensuring that your child arrives promptly at school each day.

**Here are a few reasons why punctuality matters:**

**Maximising Learning Time:** Arriving on time allows students to benefit fully from every minute of instruction, ensuring they grasp key concepts and engage actively in class discussions.

**Building Responsibility:** Punctuality instills a sense of responsibility and time management skills that will serve your child well throughout their life.

**Reducing Disruption:** Late arrivals can disrupt the flow of the class, making it challenging for both the teacher and fellow students to concentrate.

**Fostering a Positive School Culture:** A culture of punctuality promotes a respectful and efficient learning environment for all.

We understand that unforeseen circumstances may occasionally cause delays. If you anticipate your child will be late, please inform the school office in advance, and we will do our best to accommodate their needs.

*Thank you for your cooperation and understanding in this matter. Together, we can ensure that every student at Kerikeri Primary has the best opportunity to thrive.*



# KORU Kids at KKPS



Term 3 Week 9

## WITS STRATEGY

<b>W</b>	<b>Walk away</b>	
<b>I</b>	<b>Ignore the person</b>	
<b>T</b>	<b>Talk it out if you can</b>	
<b>S</b>	<b>Seek help</b>	

Across the school, the children are talking WITS.... Have you used your WITS? WITS is an acronym to help remember strategies for dealing with minor or small upsets in the classroom or playground. It is used in many schools across New Zealand and is working well to help empower our tamariki too.

It's been a week for KKPS KORU School. On Wednesday and Thursday Cat, Willie and the Think and Be Me team returned for some important lessons on dealing with emotions.

Remember all the videos from Think and Be Me are available on Youtube and share messages that can be revisited at home.  
<https://www.youtube.com/@thinkandbeme>



## Morning Tea with the Principal

*The Plough and Feather host a weekly Morning tea with the Principal at their restaurant.*



Each week two children who consistently show amazing KORU kids values will join Senior Leadership Team to have morning tea.  
 Congratulations Felicity Eyres,  
 Demi Hemara,  
 Kairah Wallace-Desmond &  
 Beau Mounter



# Structured Literacy



**At KKPS we use decodable texts in class to support our learners.**

**How can I support my child at home?**

- Remind students to use their finger spelling when stuck on a word
- Encourage repeat readings to build fluency and phrasing
- Support correct phrasing by pointing out the punctuation

Differences between	
Decodable books	Levelled books
Phonetically decodable text	Predictable text
Words used are in line with the child's phonics level	Many words don't match the child's phonics skills
Main strategy for figuring out text: sounding out words	Main strategy for figuring out text: guessing
Irregular / more advanced phonics words are introduced gradually	Many non-decodable words are used from the start
Illustrations are supportive of the text.	Illustrations reveal the story and words on the book



## Digital Technologies @KKPS

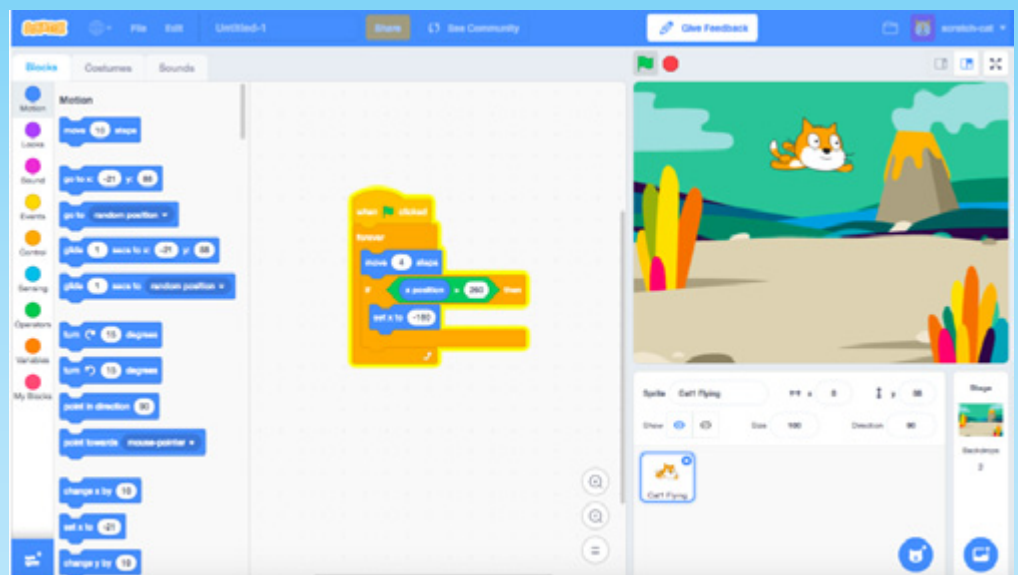


Last newsletter we shone a light on the "Hour of Code" website which can be used to help develop Digital Literacy (coding). There are so many different opportunities to learn and practise skills.

This week we take a look at Scratch. If your child wants to learn how to code and practise coding this site is for them. There are many creative ways to use Scratch. You can even view other children's projects.

Imagine, Program, Share!  
Go to Scratch now.

Explore- shares projects that others have created.  
Ideas- Will give you lots of ideas and 'how to...' videos  
Create- it's time to get making your own project





It's our FAVE time of the year!  
KKPS's Got Talent is back.

In weeks 1 and 2 of Term 4 we will host auditions during Morning Tea and Lunch breaks.

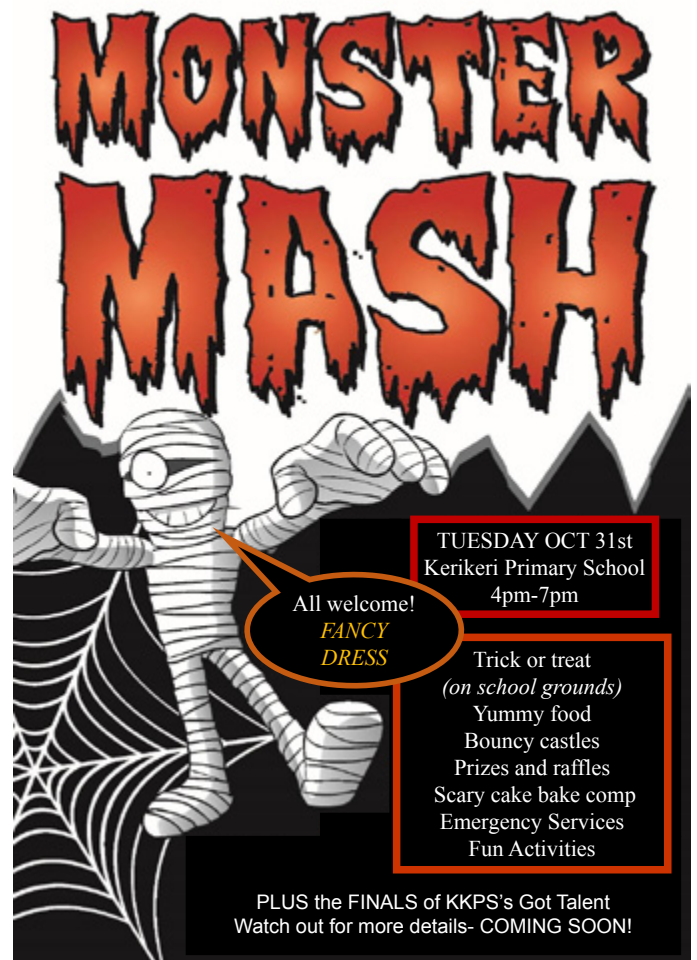
10 Finalists will be chosen to perform at the 2023 Monster Mash on the 31st October.

During the Monster Mash we will ask a panel of independent judges to crown the winner for 2023!

Over the past few years we have enjoyed so many talents which are often hidden .... we've seen gymnasts, dancers, singers, magicians, Rubrik's Cube experts, Hula hoopers, harpists, violinists, pianists, guitarists to name but a few..... if your child has a talent we'd love to see it!

To enter please help your child to fill in this Google Form: [click here](#)

Then get practicing.... every year the judges commend and acknowledge the effort that has been put in! You have the holidays to finalise your act... :)







## Class of the fortnight Room 8 with Whaea Anna Rainey

Kōtuku (Akomanga e waru)

We've had an awesome term of learning in Kōtuku! These are a few of things we've been up to...

During pāngarau we learnt about symmetry. We used Pasifika tapa cloth as inspiration for our toi. We learnt lots of new kupu like: symmetrical, rotational symmetry, reflection, axes of symmetry and more!



We inquired into the traditional Maori art form of tukutuku. Tukutuku are the decorative wall panels that are inside a whareniui. We looked at the tukutuku panels inside Whitiara Marae. Some of the traditional cross stitched patterns we saw were pātiki, poutama and maunga tūpuna. We crafted our own tukutuku panels and wrote a pūrākau to match.

The tau rima tamariki mā (Year 5) have been enjoying being involved in 'Plant to Plate'. Every Rāpare they work in the māra kai me kihini learning lots of new skills. Highlights have been planting seeds, finding butterflies, planting native trees and eating yummy kail!







## THANK YOU

Leanne Lupi has been volunteering for Plant to Plate for 2 years now, coming in every Thursday and helping in the garden.

Plant to Plate is a year 5 program with the aim to educate tamariki in growing, harvesting, and cooking healthy nutritious food. She is a super star.

**KERIKIDZ CLUB**

**KERIKERI PRIMARY  
TEACHER ONLY DAY  
SPECIAL  
13TH NOVEMBER 2023**

*Book your child in today*  
School hours 8:30-3:30pm \$40  
Full day 8am-5:30pm \$50  
Located Kerikeri Primary School Hall

**CALL TO BOOK 0212683738  
OR EMAIL  
ADMIN@KERIKIDZCLUB.CO.NZ**

**Moana  
Exploration Day!**

GAMES | MARINE SCIENCE | CREATIVITY

[click here](#) for more information

**transform**

**Coopers Beach Girls Camp**  
23-26 SEPTEMBER 2023  
Girls aged 9-13  
Cost \$90  
To Register: [www.cbcyc.co.nz/our-camps](http://www.cbcyc.co.nz/our-camps)

Cost: \$90.00

Camp starts: Saturday 23rd Sept  
4.30pm

Camp ends: Tuesday 26th Sept  
11.30am

[click here](#) to register

**KERIKERI TENNIS CLUB**

**OPEN DAY  
COME AND PLAY**

**TENNIS**

**PICKLEBALL**

**SAT 23  
SEPTEMBER  
10AM - 2PM  
KIDS AND ADULTS  
FREE COACHING**

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ISLAND  
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**HOLIDAY PROGRAMME AGES 5-13 YR OLDS  
25TH SEPTEMBER 2023 - 8TH OCTOBER 2023**

**KERIKIDZ CLUB**

[click here for full schedule.](#)

# Support Groups in Northland

E honoana **ngā mātua** - connecting parents

Our directory of support groups for parents and whānau in our region is slowly growing. The more the better.

- **Bronchiectasis Support Group:** Available for phone calls through out Northland Phone Lisa for details 027 277 7672
- **Autism Parent Support Group:** Kerikeri This is a facebook group who meet in Kerikeri. Parent Support Group Kerikeri
- **Autism Parent Support Group:** Whangārei. This is a facebook group, "Parent's of ASD Coffee Group", who organise coffee mornings and provide amazing support through the web.
- **Autism Parent Support Group:** Kaitaia. First Thursday of each month 10am-12pm at Ministry of Education, Commerce St, Kaitaia. Contact Uschi Eyer Uschi.Eyer@education.govt.nz or phone 09 408 6937
- **Cri du Chat Support** http://www.criduchat.org.nz/stories. Click on this link and it will take you where you will find the support group and Jo Ellis's Story.
- **Sight Impairment Group Kaitaia:** meets once a month. People able to come and talk about everyday problems. Last Wednesday of the month, Board Room, Te Ahu. David Senior phone 021 1788370
- **Down Syndrome Support Group** - to view poster click here . Contact Jo Morrison by emailing northlanddssg@gmail.com, general enquiries: 0210 814 3744 Email: ksadgrove@xtra.co.nz and schools enquiries: 021 0822 4584 Email: NorthlandDSSG@gmail.com. Also on facebook "Northland Down Syndrome Support Group"
- **Northland Parent Support Group:** This is a facebook group that caters for families who are not catered for through the autism groups Link
- **Whanau Awhi Support Group:** This is a facebook group, based in Bay of Plenty but have a close relationship developing in Te Tai Tokerau link
- **Vision and Hearing Loss Support Group** , 2nd Thursday of each month, Kerikeri. Contact David Senior 021 178 8370 Email : davidogman@gmail.com
- **Kūmara Vine Parent Group**, Pukenui, last Tuesday of each month 10am-12pm Phone Kerrie 0212470470
- **Coffee and Kai for Parents** held at Kaitaia and Kaikohe. Contact Don email donm@parent2parent.org.nz
- **NEW !!!!!** NICU and SKBU Parent Group, Plunket Kerikeri, 2nd Friday of each month Contact Jamie (20+) Jamie Christensen | Facebook