

KI TE TAUMATA AIM FOR THE BEST

28th March 2025



Principal's Pen

Kia ora beautiful whānau,

We're now in Week 9, with just two weeks left until the end of the term! Here are a few important updates from the Board:

- ◆ **Classroom Upgrades:** We're pleased to share that heat pumps have been installed in all classrooms, including the library. This has made a big difference in keeping learning spaces cool and comfortable this term.
- ◆ **Property Focus:** Our next major project is replacing the roofing on the main block, which is scheduled to happen during the next school holidays.
- ◆ **International Student Programme:** The Board is exploring the possibility of becoming an international school and will be conducting further research into this exciting opportunity.
- ◆ **OSCAR Afterschool Care:** The first stage of OSCAR approval has gone well, and we are now waiting for the final sign-off to ensure we meet all their standards. We're excited about the possibility of offering afterschool care next term, with before-school care also under consideration, given the number of children arriving early—some as early as 7:15 am. While our staff do their best to arrive early, please be mindful that this can pose a health and safety issue. Some schools don't open their gates until 8:30 am, but we want to ensure our tamariki feel welcomed and warm in the mornings. Once before-school care is available, we encourage families to use it.
- ◆ **Growing Our Roll:** We would love your help in spreading the word about our school! If you know families looking for a great place for their child's learning and care, please encourage them to visit us.

Thank you for your ongoing support! Have a great weekend.

Piki te Ora.

Maria

Progress Interviews- week 9

Our parent progress interviews are a great opportunity to catch up with your child's teacher and discuss their learning journey so far. You'll be able to chat about assessments, where your child is currently at, and the goals for the rest of the year.

It's also a chance to check in on how they're settling in socially—friendships, classroom dynamics, and overall well-being.

Bookings can be made through the Hero app or by calling Kiri in the office—she'll be happy to help!

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Upcoming Events

Monday 24th March

Life Education Truck here

Thursday 27th March

Angitū performing at RDC for the citizenship Ceremony.

Tuesday 1st April

CBOP Fun 4 U Day - Yr 0-1

Thursday 3rd April

Progress Interviews 2.50pm - 6.15pm

Friday 11th April

Last Day of Term



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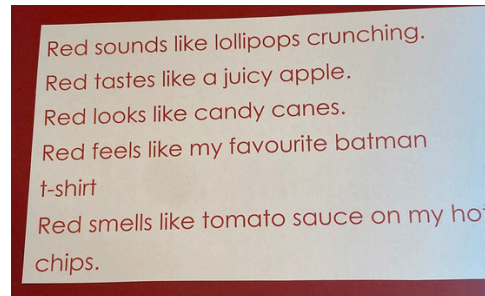
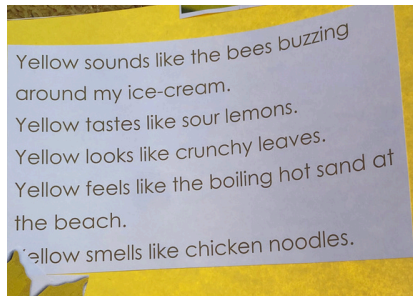
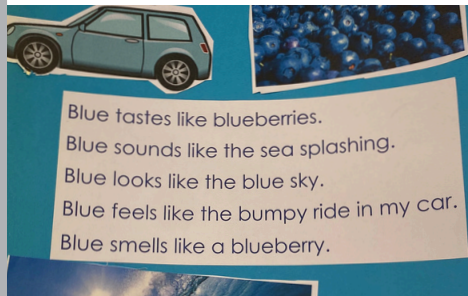
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Curriculum News

Writing Showcase – Term Highlights

This term, our learners have been exploring recount writing, developing their ability to share personal experiences with detail and structure or historical recounts. In the past few weeks, we've shifted our focus to poetry, where students have experimented with language, rhythm, and creative expression.

Below are some fantastic pieces of writing from our learners across the school—enjoy their hard work and creativity!



How I became dame.

On the 14th of September, I, Whina Cooper, started a protest hīkoi from Te Hapua to Wellington to stop the pakeha from stealing our land. I am 79 years old and I am determined.

As I walked 50 lovely people joined me on this long quest. As we walked people could hear us chanting and saying "NOT ONE MORE OF MYORI LAND!" We were furious and determined to stop pakeha from stealing our land! We were walking from Te Hapua to Wellington.

The hot sun burned us as we marched through the town. Our feet ached with blisters and as soon as I was about to fall a wonderful pakeha nurse helped us with our blisters. While she was wrapping the band-aid around my foot my heart was warmed by her kindness and gentleness as she helped us one by one. We were finally ready to get back on the road.

The day before parliament steps. As we walked 5000 people joined us. Our throats hurt as we proudly shouted "NOT ONE MORE OF MYORI LAND!" As we walked through the town, a kind man invited us into his marae for kai and some beds to sleep on. The next day we thanked them for all their help. As we packed up they gave us new shoes to walk in, and now we are ready to keep on moving.

Today is the day. As I stepped on to parliament steps I was furious because pakeha was taking our land, but with 60,000 signatures on our petition they had no right to take Maori land. As I left I was relieved and finally we could relax in peace. Years later I was knighted by the queen and became dame. I was honored and I would fight for my people again.

By maia lua

Sports Round-Up

NETBALL: Our Netball teams are still going strong on Monday nights....

POD for Monday 24th:

KPS KAHA – Ratu & Armani-Rose

KPS MAIA – Sky & Aubrey

FUTSAL: This Sunday will be the last Futsal game this term. Good Luck to both our Futsal Teams. All Futsal T-Shirts need to be handed in ASAP.

TOUCH: KPS MANAWANUI have made the Semi Finals – Last Game of touch this week for them.

All Touch T-shirts need to be handed into the office ASAP.

MINIBALL We still have a couple spots left in our YR 0-2 team if any tamariki are still interested??? Whaea Leilah would love you on her team!!

Our Yr 3-4 team is full. Thank you Whaea Nikkola for coaching.

Headlines from Mrs H

Celebrating Positive Behaviours

As a PC4L – **Positive Culture of Learning** school we have in place Rewards Systems. We acknowledge and celebrate students for displaying positive behaviours with their learning, expectations, our **Values- Kia Kaha- be strong, Kia Maia- be brave, Kia Manawanui- be kind, Kia Angitu - be successful - our Vision- Ki te taumata- Aim for the Best, learning powers- KPS Thinker, Explorer, Citizen, Communicator.**

These include:

Class DOJO's, playground values cards, Principals awards & Recon awards.

At the end of each term we have Formal assembly where Principal Certificates and Badges are awarded for being a KPS – Citizen, Thinker, Explorer, Communicator.

Well done to all our tamariki who have received KPS rewards. Keep up the great work. We are proud of you all !!

We welcome all our whanau to join us with our celebration assemblies. We would love to see you there!

Nga Mihi Mrs H

Principal Awards for Week 8



Manawa - Sp 3



Riley - Sp 4



Silas - Sp 6



Nixon - Sp 9



Syra - Sp 11



Aaleah - Sp 8



Paris - Sp 7



Elias - Sp 14



Iziah - Sp 15



Ben - Sp 16



Rusara - Sp 17

**Pre school Buddies-
Every Wednesday 9.30 am in Taumata 3**

KPS Preschool Buddies

Taumata 3 at KPS
 Starts 9.30-10.30
 Every Wednesday

Come and be part of the transition class- Taumata 3- Meet our teachers in the class, meet the class, and find out what we have to offer! All welcome!

**Nau Mai Haere Mai! Welcome
to Kawaha Point School!**



Amelia - Taumata 3

**We are looking forward
to getting to know you!**



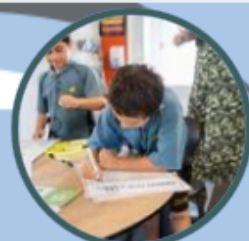
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Term 2 Events

Week 1- 28th April to 2nd May	<p>Welcome back to Term 2 Bikes in school programme- Year 5-6</p> <p>Friday 2nd May- Pizza \$2 -Newsletter</p>
Week 2- Monday 5th May to Friday 9th May	<p>Bikes in school continue</p> <p>Tuesday 6 May- Angitu 7 and 8 visit to Te Koutu Marae</p> <p>Friday 9 May- Assembly 9.30 Kaiweka 17 Special Mother's Day Afternoon 1.30-3pm</p>
Week 3 Monday 12th May to Friday 16th May	<p>Monday 12 May- BOT meeting 5pm Thursday 17th May- OPEN DAY Morning 9.30-10.40</p> <p>Friday 16th May- Pink Shirt day -House afternoon -Mini meat pies \$2 -Newsletter day</p>
Week 4 Monday 19th May to Friday 23rd May	<p>Tuesday 20th May- Photos Wednesday 21st May - KPS Cross Country- 1pm-2.30pm Thursday 22nd May- Young Leaders day Year 6s- Hamilton Friday 23rd May- Assembly Ngongotahā 14 9.30 -Movie Night 5.30pm -BBQ \$2 for sale (afternoon tea)</p>

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Term 2 Events

Week 5 Monday 26th May to Friday 30th May	Friday 30th May- Teacher's Only day- MOE Day- Learning Prime Maths
Week 6- Monday 2nd June to Friday 6th June	Monday 2nd June- Kings Birthday- Public Holiday - No school Friday 6th June- Assembly 9.30 Ngongotahā 11 -Duffy Theatre 11am -Pizza \$2
Week 7 Monday 9th June to Friday 13th June	Monday 9th June- BOT meeting 5pm Tuesday 10th June- CBOP Cross Country Friday 13th June- WHHS Choir performing -House afternoon- newsletter -Mini Meat pies \$2
Week 8 Monday 16th June to Friday 20th June	Monday 16th June- Reports go home Tuesday 17th June Parent Interviews 3-6pm Wednesday 18th June- 3-6pm Thursday 19th June- Matariki Parakuihi 7am Friday 20th June- Matariki Public Holiday
Week 9 Monday 23rd June to Friday 27th June	MAD week Wednesday 25th June 5.30pm- Matariki Po Whakagahau (Share the learning evening) Friday 27th June- Formal assembly 10am- Newsletter day END OF TERM 2! Term 3 begins- Monday 14th July!

Community Notices

Basketball Holiday Camp

bnz KIWI HOOPS

14 - 17 April 2025

FUN & GAMES

Sportsdrome
9am-3.30pm
(Open 8am - 4pm)

Four Days (\$130)
(2 or more siblings \$120 each)
Casual: \$35per day

More Information:
Email: rotoruabball@xtra.co.nz

Click on QR Code to Register

Bookings via www.migs.co.nz
email: migsholidayprogramme@outlook.co.nz

DAILY COSTS: 8AM-3.00PM \$45
8AM-5.15PM \$55

Week 1:
Monday 14th April: Circuits -using all the equipment
Tuesday 15th April: Craft Day
Wednesday 16th April: Fun in the Kitchen -will it be savoury or sweet?
Thursday 17th April: T-Day (Towers, Trampoline, Tag.....)
Friday 18th April: **CLOSED** for GOOD FRIDAY

Week 2:
Monday 21st April: **CLOSED** for EASTER MONDAY
Tuesday 22nd April: Teams & Challenges Day
Wednesday 23rd April: Trampoline & Tumble Day
Thursday 24th April: Equipment Day
Friday 25th April: **CLOSED** for ANZAC DAY

EACH DAY INCLUDES AN HOUR OF LEARNING SPECIFIC GYM SPORT SKILLS

DAILY REQUIREMENTS:
Children need to be dressed in appropriate clothing for active play. They are to bring their morning tea & lunch, some afternoon tea for the Full Day bookings, a named water bottle and socks for trampoline use.

We reserve the right to alter the daily schedule depending on the enrolled numbers.

Terms and Conditions apply, see them at www.migs.co.nz

OSCAR FORMS ARE REQUIRED TO BE INTO THE OFFICE, 2 WEEKS PRIOR TO HOLIDAYS START DATE.
email: admin@migs.co.nz

MID-ISLAND GYM SPORTS

NGONGOTAHA AFC JUNIOR REGISTRATION DAY

Saturday 29th March

Venue: Clubrooms on Stenbridge Rd.

9 am - 12 pm

Philips 75PUT7908/79 75" Ambilight 4K Google Smart TV

Immersive Ambilight: Transform movie nights with captivating lighting at a value price!

Brand: Philips MPN: 75PUT7908/79 Part #: TVPHS82475

★★★★★ 75 reviews 10 photos

Screen Size

50 inches 55 inches 65 inches **75 inches**

Screen Resolution 3840x2160	Refresh Rate Not Specified	HDR Compatible Yes
VESA Size 200 x 300	USB Ports 2	HDMI Ports 4
Amazon Alexa No		

[View full specs](#)

We still have tickets left for the TV raffle!! \$20 per ticket Drawn at the last assembly of the term



Also Tents and Life Jackets are available to purchase at Discounted prices!!!
\$120 per Tent (4 man tents) \$25-\$30 Life Jackets
All in used but good condition.