

Well done everyone—we made it!

What a busy and exciting final week it has been, with so many special moments, including our Share the Learning afternoons.

A huge thank you to all our whānau who took the time to come along, visit classrooms, and celebrate your child's learning. We absolutely love seeing you engaged in your child's learning journey—it makes such a difference.

New! Coffee Mornings – Come and See Learning in Action

We are introducing two new opportunities for you to come into school:

Join us for a coffee, connect with our team leaders, and then head into classrooms to observe learning in action.

This is a great chance to:

- See our Structured Literacy programme and The Code
- Experience PRIME Mathematics
- Learn more about how the new NZ Curriculum looks in our classrooms

Dates:

- Wednesday 20 May – 9:30–10:30am
- Wednesday 3 June – 9:30–10:30am

We would love to see you there!

Exciting News – OSCAR Programme Approved!

We are thrilled to share that our after-school care programme is now officially OSCAR registered.

This means families may be eligible to receive government funding for:

- After-school care
- Holiday programmes

A huge thank you to:

- Sam Peake – who runs and organises our programme
- Jodi Hohneck – Board representative

Your hard work has made this possible for our community.

Important Dates for Term 2

Please see the attached calendar for full details. Key dates include:

- ANZAC Day – School closed
- King's Birthday – School closed
- Teacher Only Day – Friday 29 May

The Ministry of Education provides schools with up to four Teacher Only Days per year. This will be our first for 2026, with a focus on preparing for the new reporting format, which will be shared with you in your child's mid-year report in June.

Thank You

Thank you for a wonderful term. I truly appreciate the friendly waves, chats, and connections each day—whether at the gate, in the classroom, or around the school.

Wishing you all a safe and happy Easter break with your whānau.

We look forward to seeing everyone back for another fantastic term of learning and fun on:

Monday 20 April



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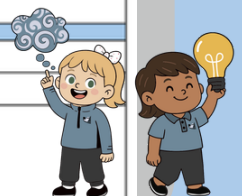
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Upcoming Events

| KPS Term 2 Calendar of Events | |
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| Week 1- KPS Thinker Kia Māia | |
| Monday 20 th April | First day back Mini whakatou followed by morning tea. Olivia Davis starts in Taumata 3. |
| Wednesday 22 nd April | Pre-school buddies 9.30 |
| Thursday 23 rd April | PTA meeting 5.30pm |
| Friday 24 th April | Newsletter House meeting Sundoes \$3 |
| Week 2 | |
| Monday 27 th April | Anzac day observed.- No school |
| Tuesday 28 th April | Lockdown drill |
| Wednesday 29 th April | Pre-school Buddies |
| Friday 1 st May | Ngongotahā 14 assembly 9.30 Mini Marathon Sausage sizzle \$2 |
| Week 3 | |
| Monday 4 th May | Team assemblies begin- Kaiweka (Angitū) Taumata |
| Wednesday 6 th May | Pre School Buddies 9.30 |
| Fri 8 th May | Special Wahine in our lives...afternoon 1.30pm Newsletter |
| Week 4 | |
| Mon 11 th May | BOT meeting 5pm. |
| Wed 13 th May | Pre-school buddies 9.30 |
| Fri 15 th May | Assembly Ngongotahā II assembly Pink shirt day Sausages \$2 |



KPS Attendance 2026



Attendance is a shared responsibility, with both the school and whānau working together to support regular, consistent attendance for all tamariki. Our Term 1 attendance rate of **81%** provides a strong foundation to build on. Regular attendance is essential for learning, strengthening relationships, and achieving success. **Thank you to the many parents and whānau who consistently notify the school when their child is away.**

Clear communication remains important—

It is a legal expectation from the Ministry Of Education for children to attend school everyday they are well enough. If they are not at school whanau MUST let us know the reason for absence.

- Call the office on **073485864** and leave a message on the answerphone or with our office administrators.
- Connect to the **HERO** app and leave a note of absence.
- Let your child's class teacher know they will be absent.

Your partnership as whānau is vital in fostering positive attendance habits, and together we can continue this momentum and further strengthen attendance in Term 2.

Have a wonderful, safe HOLIDAY!!

Mrs H

A huge pakipaki to Kaiweka 16 for the best attendance in Week 8



*Kia Kaha- Be Strong * Kia Maia- Be Brave * Kia Manawanui- Be Kind * Kia Angitu - Be Successful*

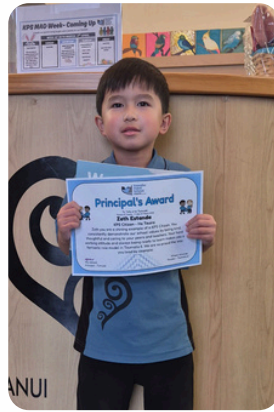
Congratulations to our Principal Award Recipients !!



Liania
Taumata 3



Taniora
Taumata 4



Zeth
Taumata 6



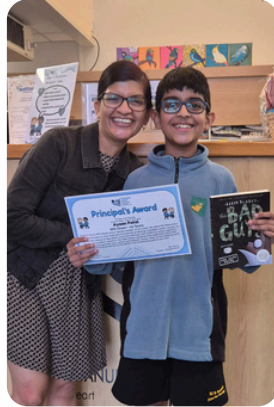
Chloe
Taumata 9



Dynasty
Angitu 7



Hazel
Ngongotahā 11



Ayaan
Ngongotahā 14



Armani-Rose
Kaiweka 15



Ella
Kaiweka 16



Leon
Kaiweka 17

Staffing Update

We send our very best wishes to Whaea Tash (Taumata 3) as she prepares to welcome her new baby—such a special time! We warmly welcome Olivia Davis, who will be teaching in Taumata 3. Olivia has already been spending time in the classroom, so the children are familiar with her.



KPS OUT OF SCHOOL CARE HOLIDAY PROGRAM

APRIL 6TH-17TH

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| MONDAY Starting week 2 with a bang! Lake day. Remember togs, towel, hats and water bottle. | TUESDAY Crafty Tuesday! Photography, paint, leaves, chalk and recycling. If you have any toilet rolls, boxes etc please feel free to leave your recycling with us. Im sure we can create imaginative things. | WEDNESDAY Wheels Wednesday and mid week shared lunch. Please bring a plate and your favourite wheels! |
| THURSDAY Off to make a splash today! The lake or the stream? Childrens vote! | FRIDAY Its the last day :(Lets leave today up to you! Voting will be up to the children in week one and parents will be notified via text message with the plan. But parents, please keep it a secret :) | |

We are now OSCAR approved!!!
This means you can be eligible for Government funding! Email-
sam.peake@kps.school.nz





KPS SCHOOL EVENTS FOR APRIL AND MAY

| DATE | EVENT |
|--|---|
| MON 20TH APRIL | First day back term 2 Miss Davis starts in Taumata 3 |
| THURS 23RD APRIL | PTA Meeting 5.15pm in the staffroom |
| MON 27TH APRIL | ANZAC Holiday- observed- School closed |
| TUES 28TH APRIL | Lockdown drill at school- practice |
| FRI 1ST MAY | Mini Marathon School Assembly- Ngongotahā 11 9.30 |
| FRI 8TH MAY | Special Wāhine afternoon 1.30-3pm |
| MON 11TH MAY | BOT Meeting 5.15pm in the staffroom |
| FRI 15TH MAY | Pink shirt day School assembly Ngongotaha 11 9.30 |
| THURS 21 MAY | School Cross Country at 1pm |



KPS SCHOOL EVENTS FOR MAY- JUNE

| DATE | EVENT |
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| FRI 22ND MAY | Movie Night - 5pm-7pm Camp Fundraiser |
| THURS 28TH MAY | Share the learning- science |
| FRI 29TH MAY | Teacher Only day- school closed |
| MON 1ST JUNE | Kings Birthday - no school- school closed |
| MON 8TH JUNE | BOT meeting 5.15pm |
| FRI 12TH JUNE | Assesmbly- Angitu 7- 9.30am |
| TUES 23RD JUNE | Parent Interviews 3-6.30pm with reports |
| WED 24TH JUNE | Parent Interviews 3-6.30pm |
| WED 1ST JULY | Matariki breakfast |



KPS SCHOOL EVENTS FOR JUNE-JULY

DATE

EVENT

**FRI
3RD JULY**

**Formal assembly
End of term 2**

Information mornings- come along and find out how we teach the code- structured literacy and Maths

**WED
20TH MAY**

9.45 coffee and a chat and see teaching in action.

**WED
3RD JUNE**

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School Dates 2026

Term 1
Friday 30th January Meet and Greet 10-2pm-Pop in, meet your teacher and drop off your stationery, grab an ice cream.
Monday 2nd February-First Day of 2026 | Pōwhiri
Thursday 2nd April- Last Day of Term 1

Term 2
Monday 20th April - First Day of Term 2
Friday 3rd July - Last Day of Term 2

Term 3
Monday 20th July- First Day of Term 3
Friday 25 September- Last Day of Term 3

Term 4
Monday 12th October- First Day of Term 4
Tuesday 15th December - Last Day of Term 4

Public holidays
Monday 26 January- Auckland Anniversary
Friday 6th February- Waitangi Day
Friday 3rd April- Good Friday
Monday 6th April- Easter Monday (During school holidays.)
Monday 27th April- ANZAC Day
Monday 1st June- King's Birthday
Friday 10th July- Matariki-(During school holidays.)
Monday 26th October- Labour Day

Staff Only Days: School Closed
Friday 29th May- MOE Teacher Only Day- Curriculum
Friday 28th August- School Teacher Only Day
Friday 23rd October- MOE Teacher Only Day- Curriculum



Great teaching and learning everyday!

Sports Term One



Thank you to all our wonderful coaches, team players and all of their whanau for the amazing support throughout all our sports teams over term one

Netball - Term One



Netball - KPS Tui



Netball - KPS Kakapo



Netball - KPS Kiwi



Touch - Term One



Touch - KPS Maia



We are looking forward to doing this all again for Touch, Netball and Futsal in Term 4