



From the Principal's Pen

Kia ora te whanau

This newsletter contains very important messages and dates that affect all families. Thank you for reading carefully, making note of details and taking action as required.

Bully Free NZ Week

Bully Free week is intended to raise awareness within communities. You can find more information to support parents here <https://www.bullyingfree.nz>

At Khandallah we work continually to create harmony within our school through the use of the KiVa Programme. KiVa is evidence-based and contains learning programmes designed to prevent bullying and processes to tackle cases of bullying effectively. More information can be found at <http://www.kivaprogram.net/nz>

We have also carried out a norm referenced wellbeing@school survey with our Kauri students. This helped identify areas of strength and areas for further development. Parents of children in Kauri will receive information tomorrow about a further step we are taking to support our children develop pro-social skills.

Student Health and Safety

This is always a priority for us. Unfortunately we are seeing behaviours that are putting our children at risk and making life really tricky for staff and parents doing their bit to keep our children safe and well.

1. **Parking / stopping on yellow lines, no stopping zones or in and over driveways.** These practices are either illegal, create visibility issues for children and staff managing the crossings, frighten young pedestrians or inconvenience our school neighbours. It doesn't matter how quick you're going to be, please find a legal and safe place to park and walk to the crossing.

2. **Spreading illness.** There are some very nasty winter illnesses around. To prevent spread of illness, please keep children at home when unwell. When the office calls and asks you to collect your child from the medical room because they are unwell, please do so.

Action: Please share these messages with those in your family who need to know!

Family engagement evening – Monday 28 May – 5:00 to 7:30pm

We are looking forward to seeing many of our families at our Term 2 Engagement Evening. We're delighted that the Home and School committee will once again organise a dinner option for those who appreciate the convenience.

5:00pm Dinner in the hall – Pizza and sweet treats
6:00pm School children in hall with teachers while parents rotate around three of the following options led by teachers or board members:

1. Communicating to/with parents using Seesaw
2. Home Learning – expectations for each level
3. Student Wellbeing
4. Growth Mindset for parents
5. BOT - developing a new vision for Khandallah School

In this way, we hope that parents can find out more about areas of particular focus for us this year. We're working on a form for parents to register attendance at the sessions they'd like to attend and hope to get this to you early next week.

Action: Please put a circle around the evening of 28 May in your calendar now and plan to attend.

Pick Up / Drop Off Zone

- Pick Up / Drop Off Zone is just that – NO parent PARKING please.
- Children must be able to enter/exit the vehicle independently so that parents do not need to get out to assist. This keeps the traffic moving. If your child is not independent park on Simla, Clark or Woodmancote and use the crossings.
- Teacher parking only – with 38 staff, every space is required.
- No pedestrian access during Pick Up / Drop Off times.

Action: Please share these messages with those who deliver and collect your child from school.

Teacher Meeting – 19 June (afternoon)

Last Thursday, a group of our teachers were invited to talk to Board members. They very clearly outlined the issues impacting on them and their colleagues and what this means as they go about doing their professional best for children's learning and progress.

Issues include

- *remuneration* to attract and retain quality teachers – a nationwide issue;
- *time to teach* in the 21st Century context where expectations for, and the realities of, personalising learning to meet the diverse needs of every child has increased
- *career framework* to support all teachers to develop teacher skills and be recognised for the expertise developed

In next week's Board Update, Shaun Twaddle our Board Chair will summarise the issues presented by teachers and provide a Board comment.

Early Pick-Up for children – 12:30pm

Teacher's will be attending a second Paid Union Meeting on the afternoon of Tuesday June 19. This time our teachers will go together to the one meeting so that they can discuss and respond to any offer on the table. The meeting is at 2:00pm.

We are asking families to support our teachers to attend this important meeting by *making alternate arrangements for their children from 12:30pm (lunchtime)* so that teachers have time to travel to the venue. We appreciate that this making alternate arrangements will be tricky for

parents but hope that giving over 4 weeks' notice will provide the necessary time to organise.

Crossings will operate from 12:30-12:40pm for those children who are able to walk home to their parent or caregiver for the afternoon. YMCA will offer After School Care from 12:30pm on that day.

Action: Please make arrangements for your children from 12:30pm, Tuesday 19 June

2019 Khandallah School Term Dates

To support families plan for next year, the 2019 Term Dates approved by the Board of Trustees at last week's meeting are provided below. Please note that the Friday before Queen's Birthday and Labour Day will be teacher only days next year. During Teacher Only Days, staff undertake school-based Professional Learning around areas of focus.

Term	Term starts	Term Ends	Teachers/Staff Only Days
1	Monday 4 February	Friday 12 April (98 half days)	30, 31 Jan, 1 Feb – before school starts
2	Monday 29 April	Friday 5 July (96 half days)	31 May – Friday before Queen's Birthday
3	Monday 22 July	Friday 27 September (100 half days)	
4	Monday 14 October	Friday 20 Dec (96 half days)	25 October – Friday before Labour Day
	Total days: 390 half days as required by Ministry of Education		

Ngā mihi mahana
Louise Green

Important Dates for your Calendar

The following events can also be found on our school calendar on our school website.

Date	Activity
21 May	Raroa Visit Year 6
22 May	Young Leaders Conference
24 May	Junior Tough Guy/Gal
24 May	Year 2 Trip to Te Papa
28 May	Cross Country (30 May postpone date)
28 May	Family Engagement Evening
29 May	ICAS Science
1 June	Teacher Only Day
8 June	Home and School Disco

Cross Country Event 28th May 2018

Start time 1:15pm

Order of events:

Year 2's

Year 1's

Year 6 boys

Year 6 girls

Year 5 boys

Year 5 girls

Year 4 boys- short course

Year 4 girls- long course

Year 4 boys- short course

Year 4 girls- short course

Year 3 boys

Year 3 girls

The start and finish line is on the bottom field and there will be a spectator area roped off on the turf and concrete below D block.

Please note there is no spectator access to the top courts due to the building work.

Home and School

Kaukau Challenge

Following the success of last year's Kaukau Challenge, the school community would like to hold another Kaukau Challenge in 2018!

Last year this was our most successful fundraising event and to bring this event to life we need your help! Like our school fair we rely on all families to be involved in some way. Sometimes this means beforehand, on the day, or after the event.

There will be a meeting on Tuesday 12th June in the school staff room @ 7.00pm to discuss ways in which you can help. We need help with a number of roles:

Sponsorship

Prizes

Food

Health & Safety

Race coordination.

The good news is that a lot of the hard work was done last year so this year it's going to be a lot easier...

To ensure the success and viability of this event we need an extraordinary person to lead this with Toni Shanks no longer at the school.

If you can't make it to the meeting send us through your interest to hands@khandallahschool

Thanks in advance for your support.

Khandallah Home and School Committee

Save the DateFriday 17th August

Book a babysitter, grab your friends and join the Khandallah Home and School committee for another fun filled evening. More details to follow

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Don't Miss the School Disco – Friday 8 June

It's time to grab a glow stick and strut your stuff on the dance floor – the first Disco for 2018 will be held on Friday 8 June.

Junior Disco (years 0, 1, 2 & 3) 5:50pm – 6:45pm

Senior Disco (years 4, 5 & 6) 7:00pm – 8:30pm

We rely on parents to help set up and supervise these events – volunteers can reply on the reservations form sent home with the children or by emailing

HandS@khandallah.school.nz

Get your Entertainment Membership NOW to help Khandallah School raise much needed funds!

Help us raise funds by buying an Entertainment Membership from us. You'll receive hundreds of valuable offers for everything you love to do, and help our fundraising at the same time. Hurry, Entertainment Memberships sell out quickly.

SUPPORT US NOW

Use just a few of these offers and you'll more than cover the cost of your Membership!



Community Notices

The following notices have been received from a range of sources for inclusion in our school newsletter and are provided for your information. Khandallah School does not accept responsibility for the accuracy of information provided.



- Raroa Intermediate New Parent Information Evening is Thursday 21 June at 6:00pm in the School hall.
- Open Days for parents are Wednesday 20 June and Thursday 21 June (any time between 9am and 2.30pm).
- Raroa Intermediate Enrolments are now open via the school website www.raroa.school.nz or this link - [form](#)

Marsden presents 'Alice' - a family friendly show

You are invited to the production of 'Alice' a musical play in two acts performed by Marsden School Years 7-13 students. The shows are on 22-25 May at 7pm in the Marsden School Auditorium (Marsden Ave, Karori). Tickets will be available from www.marsden.school.nz from 8 May.



Queen Margaret College Open Days

We would like to invite you to experience Queen Margaret College, from Preschool to Year 13, at our May Open Days.

School in Action Day
Friday 25 May 9am – 12pm

Open Day
Sunday 27 March 10am – 1pm

Speech and Drama!

Ages 5 and over
Saturdays, Mt Victoria

Free trial class!

\$110 for a 10-week term

e.schoolofspeechanddrama@gmail.com

www.elisabethsschoolofspeechanddrama.com

All classes taught by an Affiliate Member of the SCA

Drama classes for 5-8 year olds are back in Churton Park! Try Wonderplay for free this Saturday 10-11am at Churton Park Community Centre. Register at www.wonderplay.co.nz



. Book Fair - Ngaio Town Hall - Saturday 26 May 2018 - 9am to 4pm. Do join us.

We would love you to come and buy books, DVDs and CDs. Children's books are \$1, adult books are \$3 (\$2 each, after the first five books purchased) and 'coffee table books' are \$5.

All proceeds (about \$10,000 last year) will go to the Blue Dragon Children's Foundation, which helps to break the poverty cycle for Vietnam's poorest children. This includes street kids, children with disabilities, children from rural families living in extreme poverty, and victims of human trafficking and slavery.

Or, if you have books, DVDs or CDs to donate, please contact Dinah Dobson, trustee, on 475 7371 or 027 686 4554.

Blue Dragon New Zealand
www.bluedragonnz.wordpress.com

SAT 19 & SAT 26 MAY 2018 : ONSLOW COLLEGE, WELLINGTON

SPACE & SCIENCE FESTIVAL

After inspiring more than 10,000 people in Wellington, this is the Space & Science Society's 5th annual festival.



\$10 tickets
ON SALE NOW
Family Event

SUITABLE FOR ALL AGES FROM 5 - 105
(UNDER 5'S FREE)

Grab your tickets NOW!



Space & Science Festival is a not-for-profit charity created by a group of volunteer parents, teachers, scientists, engineers and technologists.

Tickets are only available through the Space & Science Festival website.

Ticket sales will support both Onslow College and the Space & Science Festival.



NATURE AND NURTURE YOGA AND WELL-BEING RETREAT

JOIN US AT LOCHMARA LODGE, MARLBOROUGH SOUNDS
27-30 SEPTEMBER 2018

Join Tanya Carr-Smith, Yoga and Well-being Coach for this blissful weekend which includes:

- transport by boat to Lochmara Lodge from Picton
- accommodation (twin share) for three nights
- breakfast, lunch and dinners
- daily yoga, meditation, well-being workshop and more
- access to kayaks, beach swimming, walks and more
- option to purchase guided tours such as glass bottom boat viewing



\$897 per person - only TEN spaces available

Email tcarrsmith@gmail.com to book your space or for further information

A \$200 deposit is required to secure your space. Payment plans available. You will need to arrange your own transport to Picton return.

Montessori at Otari Preschool and Playgroup warmly invite interested families to our next Open Day on Saturday 26th May, 10am – 12 noon, at the Preschool ([166 Wilton Road](http://166WiltonRoad)). For more information phone 475 9688 or email wcmp@xtra.co.nz. We look forward to seeing you there.