



From the Principal's Pen

Kia ora te whānau. Nau mai, haere mai ki te Tau Hou.

A very warm welcome to the 2019 school year to all our school whānau. We hope you enjoyed celebrating Waitangi Day together yesterday. Happy Chinese New Year to everyone celebrating this weekend.

We are enjoying the return of our children, refreshed and enthusiastic after the summer break, as they're the very heart of our school. Already, they're settling well into their new learning hubs and extending their network of friends.

15 children and five staff have joined us this week. We know that they'll soon feel part of the school whānau. A Pōwhiri will be held later in the term to formally welcome all newcomers.

We begin the year with an integrated inquiry on "The Khandallah Way: This is the way we are at Khandallah School". The caring and collaborative culture we strive for is supported by our Khandallah Star Values: Respect, Resilience, Responsibility, Kindness and Excellence. These are reflected in how we speak and act.

Care and Collaboration

Our thoughts are with **Karen Grant** and **Jude Hampton**, two highly valued members of our teaching team, who are currently on leave due to illness. We'd like to acknowledge Karen who has taught at Khandallah School for 25 years. We thank her for her dedication to children, their learning and her leadership over this time.

Teachers work together within each Learning Hub to inspire and nurture learning. Together they plan and teach to children's strengths, while covering the curriculum and catering for needs. We're also looking forward to working alongside

parents and caregivers as partners in children's learning to achieve educational success.

Every child has a home group teacher who is looking forward to connecting with you. If you haven't already done so, please pop into the learning hub between 8:30-8:55am or at the end of the day, noting that teachers have staff/team/hub meetings at least two afternoons every week.

The home group teacher is your first point of contact for any matters to do with your child's wellbeing and learning. We'd love to hear from you early if any concerns arise.

Family Engagement Evening

We will be offering many engagement opportunities this term. The first is a Family Engagement Evening for children and parents on Monday 25 February from 6-7:30pm. Please mark this date on your calendar now. Details to follow.

Team 2019

We're delighted to introduce our team. You'll see we're moving away from using room numbers to identify learning spaces as they no longer reflect the way children and teachers learn together.

Deputy Principal / SENCO: Fiona White

Junior School Leader: Linda Kingston, Assistant Principal

Senior School Leader: Leanne Whitfield, Assistant Principal

Junior School

Kowhai (Y1): Caerwyn Morgan, Julia Bowman/Kirsty Gardner, Annabel Smith/Karen Phillips

Matai1 (Y2/3): Lucy Julian, Julie Lear

Matai2 (Y2/3): Nadya Nicholson, Daniel Hunt

Matai3 (Y2/3): Emily Christians, Kevin Pegg

Release: Fiona Healy

Senior School

Kauri – Kākā (Y4): Kate Hurley, Alastair Henshaw, Megan Beattie

Kauri – Kererū (Y5/6): Malcolm Howard, Holly Caughley

Kauri – Korimako (Y5/6): Beccy Haley, Amy Pierce, Carron Aldridge

Release: Diane Buttar

Specialist Teachers: Kirsty Gardner, Wendy Dunphy, Matua Alwyn Rees

Learning Assistants: Nikki Delaney, Marina Collott, Zabron Gollan, Sonia Goodwin, Dale Mitchell

Administration: Judy Cosgriff, *Executive Officer*; Sarah Stevens, *Reception*; Jane Furnish, *Library*

Caretaker: Geoff Acethorp

Communications

Thank you for taking the time to read the school newsletter emailed to you every second Thursday. This, along with the school website and Facebook page, is a great source of information. You will also receive email communications relevant to the Junior or Senior School at the beginning of each term and from Learning Hub teachers at other times. Keeping informed will help you feel connected and able to support your child.

Completion of Kaukau Upgrade

After almost two years of construction, we are nearing the end of the big Kaukau Upgrade Project. Hooray! We're all delighted with the new Kauri block and hope to let you know very soon when the new playground, staff car park and turning circle for drop off/pick up will be open. We're planning a celebration during school time to mark the occasion and to thank everyone involved.

In the meantime, a very big thank you to everyone helping to relieve congestion by parking a distance away from school and walking. Please continue to keep our children safe by driving, turning, stopping and parking in safe and sensible ways, and using the school crossings when they are operating.

School Roll

Our roll of 365 children is lower than last year and this will effect staffing and funding. With plenty of space in Year 1, we will be accepting Out of Zone enrolments for children turning 5 this year. Please spread the word and let friends and family know

to call the office for information about how to enrol.

Home and School

The start of the school year also provides an opportunity for families to become involved in our school community and support us to make Khandallah School a great place for all our children to learn and grow. Please join us! Why not pop along to the Home and School meeting next Monday 11th February in the staff room? We'd love to see you there.

Board of Trustees Meeting

Next Thursday, 14 February, 5:30-8:00pm, staffroom (note the new time)

Agenda items include: Charter/Strategic Plan, Budget confirmation

Regular reports: Chair, Principal, Finance, Property, Policy

World Vision 40 Hour Famine

We have received a gold certificate for being in the top 15% of schools by raising \$6173 in 2018. Well done to the children participating and those supporting.

Ngā manaakitanga

Louise Green

Principal

Important Dates for your Calendar

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

Date	Activity
11 February	H and S Meeting & AGM 7 – 8.30pm
14 February	BOT Meeting 5.30 -8pm
25 February	Family Engagement Evening 6-7.30pm

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.



AFTER-SCHOOL FRENCH CLASSES TERM 1 2019
Free demo/trial lessons

The after-school French classes are held every Tuesday from 3.30pm – 4.30pm in the Khandallah School Library.

A free trial lesson will be held on Tuesday 12 February in the school library.

Games, songs, drama and stories are taught in a relaxed and friendly atmosphere with the emphasis being on FUN! Language resources available to support parents at home!

OTHER CLASSES AVAILABLE: After-school French classes are also held in Northland, Karori and Khandallah. Spanish classes also schedules later in Term 1 - subject to demand.

Contact: Annick on 021 462 042 or email annick@lcfclubs.co.nz or visit www.lcfclubs.co.nz for more information.

Drama Club - After school Speech & Drama classes for children. I have small classes of approximately 5-7 students and all classes are grouped by similar age. Solo/group drama examinations are available for children of all ages. Please check the online class times for more details. Enrol your child at www.dramaclub.co.nz, or email Bridie at bridie@dramaclub.co.nz. Alternatively you can contact Bridie on 021 054 2593

RAROA MUSIC CENTRE ENROLMENTS FOR 2019

Raroa Music Centre offers Saturday morning group music lessons for primary school children at low cost. We still have availability for students in music basics, choir, recorder, ukulele, cello, clarinet, flute, drums, and orchestra.

To enrol for 2019 visit our website at www.raroamusic.org.nz and enrol online. Enrolments close 9 February 2019.

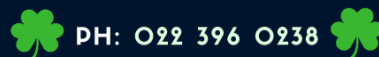
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& Tawa on Saturdays**



PH: 022 396 0238

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FOR ALL YOUR DANCE REQUIREMENTS
CONTACT JENNIFER

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Northern Suburbs Social Chess for Kids

- Northern suburbs social chess is for kids between 5 -18 years. Come and play chess at Johnsonville Community Center, Room 5 (upstairs), every Sat 1:30 pm to 3:00 pm, except for School holidays. Entry is only \$3/player including professional chess tutoring every fortnightly; Parents/Caregivers free. Please bring your Chess set. Join Facebook group: search for "Northern Suburbs Social Chess for Kids". For more information, email - ice.mangera@gmail.com



Fun, friendly dance classes for girls and boys aged 2 years and up

**Amesbury Hall, Churton Park
Dancetopia Dance Studio, Wellington
Johnsonville Scout Hall**

Jazz CONTEMPORARY HIP-HOP
Tap Ballet Pre-School Classes

**Enquiries: leapinglizardsdance@outlook.com
Visit: www.leaping-lizards.co.nz**

If you want to Give It a Go and try out a new sport or if you want to improve on your volleyball skills:

**Free
Volleyball Clinics
for Girls
AGES 10-13**

Monday the 11th of February from 4:30PM-5:30PM
(next session will be announced soon- if there is enough interest we will run this every other week*)

**Nairnville Recreation Center
Khandallah, Wellington**

*This session will be run by Leanne Turrell
National Coach for Junior Men and Organizer of Talent Development Programme
for Volleyball in Wellington
(instruction and play - all skill levels welcome)*

For registration and more info please contact

Sventja von Daake
Email: svondaake@yahoo.com
Cell: 021 023 887 92
Space is limited to 18 girls.
Last minute registrations welcome.



* I am a mom of two girls who have played volleyball for the last 2-3 years and absolutely love this sport. Wellington is our new home and we hope to gather some girls who enjoy the sport as much as we do. If you are interested, please contact me also if you do not have time on the 11th of February so I can consider your girls for future sessions. The first few sessions will be free. Eventually I am planning to charge \$5 per session to cover the cost of the hall rental. Thank you to Leanne Turrell and Anella Munro for supporting my efforts to set up these sessions.

**You are invited to
KHANDALLAH PARK'S
100th BIRTHDAY PICNIC PARTY**



Saturday 23 February at 12:00
BYO picnic (sausage sizzle available)

- 12:00—giant bubble-blowing 1st session
- 12:30—novelty races (under 13s) & tug-of-war (all ages)
- 1:00—giant bubble-blowing 2nd session
- 2:00—kids' fancy dress parade
- 2:30—performance of *The Ugly Duckling*
- PLUS—many other fun activities, swim in the pool for free, hear Onslow College Music students, record your park and pool memories, tour our local emergency water supply, visit nearby bowling and croquet clubs, learn about plans to revitalise the Park.



celebrate history by wearing fashion from your favourite decade (don't forget your sunhat)



If wet, will be on 9 March — see Khandallah Arts Theatre Facebook page

Absolutely Positively Wellington City Council



The Ugly Duckling
(Khandallah Arts Theatre's annual Play-in-the-Park)
playwright: Rob Ormsby, director: Mary Collie-Holmes

**Khandallah Park
(if wet, Cochran Hall,
106 Cashmere Ave)**



An hour of colourful characters, catchy tunes and lots of laughs - entertainment for all the family

www.kat-theatre.org.nz No bookings, no fixed charge, but small donations help cover costs.
or Khandallah Arts Theatre on Facebook

Sat Feb 23 - 2:30 (at the Park's Birthday Party)
Sun Feb 24, Sat March 2, Sun March 3—1:30 and 3:30

