

26th October 2023 Term 4 Week 3

From the desk of Ms 'O'

We have a really busy few weeks ahead. Please scroll straight to the Dates for your Diary on the last page and make note of all the fabulous events coming up. Get in touch with the teachers if you have questions.

SHOW DAY - Our Country School Celebration

From 11 – 12:30 on Show Day the tamariki will be individually invited to tell

the judges about their pet including what they know about how to

best handle and care for it.

Towards the end of the day the children will also be given the choice as to whether or not they wish to bring their pet to the front of the assembled crowd to talk about and/or show it off. This is not compulsory. Those who wish to challenge themselves to speak and/or show their pet will be given support at school to prepare in advance what they would like to say and/or do on the day e.g. lead their pet around the obstacles; walk it up to the stage and talk on the microphone to the audience.

Some children may choose to talk about their pet even though they might not have them alongside. Others may wish to show what their pet can do but not wish to speak. Parents are welcome to join their children to prompt them. Siblings can also join together to show one family pet.

Through this activity we are giving children the opportunity to learn to speak and watch others speak in public. This is a learned skill that contributes to developing their selfconfidence.

Your child(ren) have already been asked if they will be bringing a pet on Tuesday, 7th November and what it is. Please have this conversation with them so they are prepared.





Halloween Disco

All the effort by a hardworking group of our parents to organise Friday's Halloween disco is truly appreciated.

The children are already buzzing with ideas for costumes with loads of wicked witches, grisly ghosts or other cute costumes. We hope they will enjoy the music, dance all evening and enjoy treats.

Be there or be square!

Sunday 29th October at the Kingston Golf Club from 4-7pm.

A complimentary BBQ will be put on by the Home & School group (BYO for adults)

Please do not send your child(ren) to school in Halloween costumes/hair/makeup on 31st October, as we have the official school photos!





Reminder

There is a Teacher/Staff Only Day on Monday, 20th November. This is when the children do not attend school, while administration and curriculum work continues, in keeping with MoE requirements.



Dates for your Diary

29th October (Sunday)

Halloween Disco - Kingston golf club.

31st November (Tuesday)

School photos for classes – wear your best outfit! Sibling photos for those who've returned the permission slip.

3rd November (Friday)

Room 1 raw ingredients for Christmas Treats brought in to school and baked by the children at school.

6th November (Monday)

Art and Craft exhibits brought to school for judging. Room 1 cupcakes brought in for decorating at school.

7th November (Tuesday)

Show Day for students, parents and community from 10am.

Official opening of the new building (see printed programme from newsletter on 12th Oct and also school website)

9th November (Thursday)

Interschool Sports Tournament at Mossburn School for all Year 4-8 students. Information to follow. Transport help required please. See Mrs A-T

10th November (Friday)

Year 7&8 Technology at NSC – last session. Transport help required please. See Bernie

13th – 15th November (Monday-Wednesday)

Boreland Lodge senior camp (Yr 5-8). Information pack coming soon!

20th November (Monday)

TEACHER ONLY DAY - students stay at home

21st November (Tuesday)

Book bus - for members







Fern Energy - Fuel for Schools programme.

Our school has been nominated by local business/farms that receives bulk fuel deliveries from Fern. For every 100 litres of bulk fuel they purchase, 50 cents is donated to us.

We would like to take the time to mention who those members of the community are that have contributed to your school, they are listed as follows:

Dangerous Brothers Estate Limited

TW&JNMcNamee Glen Nevis Station Ltd Kingston Station Ltd - Kingston TW&JNMcNamee - 49 Butsons Road Kingston Station Ltd Hume Livestock Services Ltd Kingston Station Ltd - Garston





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