

# Newsletter

## Term 3 Week 3 2023

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Dear Parents, Caregivers & Knapdale Community Members,  
 Welcome to our weekly Newsletter. I hope everyone is managing to keep warm and dry! We are into week 3 and time is just flying. Due to our play, the school will not be doing trips away from the school this term. We hope to have a number of first responders such as St Johns etc. come into the school to talk to our Tamariki. This ties in directly with our term focus on disasters.

### New Students to the school.



**Priya and Jordan      Charley Fiskien**

This week we have had 3 new students start at our school. The first being Charley Hall-Fiskien. A couple of weeks ago, Charley's older sister started in room Rimu. We mentioned that she was a 3rd generation Fiskien to the school. We have since discovered that they are 6th generation to the school, which is just amazing!

We would also like to officially welcome the Balampu family into the Knapdale Community. We are very excited to have both Priya and Jordan at our school. Both students are in room Rimu.

### Health and PE Consultation

We want to thank those parents who attended the meeting last night. It was certainly great to get feedback for the school. This information informs us of what we are doing well and any issues that need to be considered and acted on.

There were certainly some great ideas that came out of the meeting in regards to community engagement. We spoke about the ski trip, having a float in the Christmas parade and exciting ideas to liven up pet day. So watch this space!

### Combined Meeting for the Bus Society and Knapdale Community Fund

There will be a combined meeting for the Bus Society and Knapdale Community Fund Committee. This will be held on Wednesday the 9th of August at 1.30pm at Blair and Mel McKenzie's property (Gold Creek Road). New members are welcome.

### Bid foods and Pasta Vera Fundraiser

Forms for this fundraiser will be sent out to families later on today. Any funds that are raised from this event will go towards the upkeep of our bus. The running of the bus is vital to the life of the school as it transports over 95% of our Tamariki to and from various destinations. So if you can see your way clear to purchase even 1 item, it would be much appreciated. Orders need to be back to the school by the 25th of August.

### Daffodil Day

On the 25th of August, our school will be participating in Daffodil Day. Daffodil Day is a special occasion to raise funds for the Cancer Society. The funds raised on Daffodil Day go towards research, support services and community programs that make a significant difference in the lives of cancer patients and their families. If everyone could dress in yellow and bring a gold coin, it would be much appreciated.

### Cinderfella Hits the Field Days (The Little Theatre Gore)

The play is coming along nicely! Please keep the 13th of September free as this is our performance date. There will be two shows on offer. A Matinee at 1.30pm and an evening performance at 6.30pm. More information will be forthcoming each week.

### Update on School Building Projects

On the 14th of August, Ajax Building Contractors Limited will be at the school. They will be building a new toilet and modifying a number of areas around the school. They will be on the school premises until the 21st of October.

For 5 weeks starting in the next school holidays, Shane Knapp Building Limited will also be on site at the school. They will be making renovations to the junior room area and replacing the windows in the senior room. Please note that all builders will be police vetted.

### Hot meals on offer this term.

This term the school will have hot food on offer. The list has been updated for your convenience.

**Please note that as of next week, Fish and chip day will be on Fridays!**

Fish and chip Day Friday	Saveloy and Soup Day Friday
<p><b><u>\$7.00 Deals</u></b>            5 fish bites and chips <b>OR</b>            1 hotdog and chips <b>OR</b>            5 chicken nuggets and chips</p> <p>\$1.20 Fish Bites            \$1.10 Chicken Nuggets            \$4.00 Hot Dogs            \$2.30 ½ Scoop Chips</p>	<p>\$2.00            Cup of soup <b>OR</b>            1 Saveloy, bread and sauce.</p> <p>You have a choice of either pumpkin or chicken noodle soup.</p>

We will be alternating weekly between fish and chips and Saveloy and soup. Forms will go out to the families during the week. These forms need to be back to the school on Wednesday at the latest.

## Accounts

Please remember these need to be paid. The funds have already gone out of the school accounts. If you can only pay a small amount each week/month, that's great. A small amount goes a long way. If you need a balance update or your account resent, please contact Susan - [office@knapdale.school.nz](mailto:office@knapdale.school.nz) or 208 9473.

## ERO Report

Te Ara Huarau is the evaluation approach that the Education Review Office (ERO) is using in our school. This is a developmental approach to evaluation where ERO and our school work together over time rather than one off reviews that happened previously. Te Ara Huarau is used in most English-medium state and state-integrated schools.

ERO maintains a regular review programme to evaluate and report on the education and care of young people in the schools. Our school worked alongside ERO to write our Profile Report. This type of report will only happen once as part of our initial engagement with Te Ara Huarau. The profile report reflects our strategic goals and a shared evaluation focus on one or more areas that are important to us as we work together to improve outcomes for all our learners. ERO, like us, has a strong focus on equity and excellence. Future reporting will show our progress and achievement towards meeting the goals we have set. Public reports like the Profile Report are published on [ERO's website](#).

A Board Assurance Report that shows how we are meeting regulatory and legislative Requirements has also been published.

## Concerns

If you have any concerns about anything to do with school, then please get in touch with us so that they can be addressed. If you wish to speak to your child's teacher, you can contact them by ringing the school office or sending them an email (listed below). If it is of a serious nature, then please get in contact with Raewyn directly.

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Nga mihi

**Raewyn, Paige, Amanda, Emma, Susan, Helen, Michelle, Sara and Sara.**

## Dates for 2023

### Term 3

#### **Bus Society / Community Fund Committee**

9th August

**BOT Meeting**

24th August

**Daffodil Day**

25th August

**Cindefella hits  
the field days**

13th Sept



Policies and Procedures

We use SchoolDocs as a way to manage our Policies. Policies are always open for consultation in our school community - so go to [www.schooldocs.co.nz](http://www.schooldocs.co.nz) - Click Search for your school. Start typing in Knapdale and select from the dropdown list.

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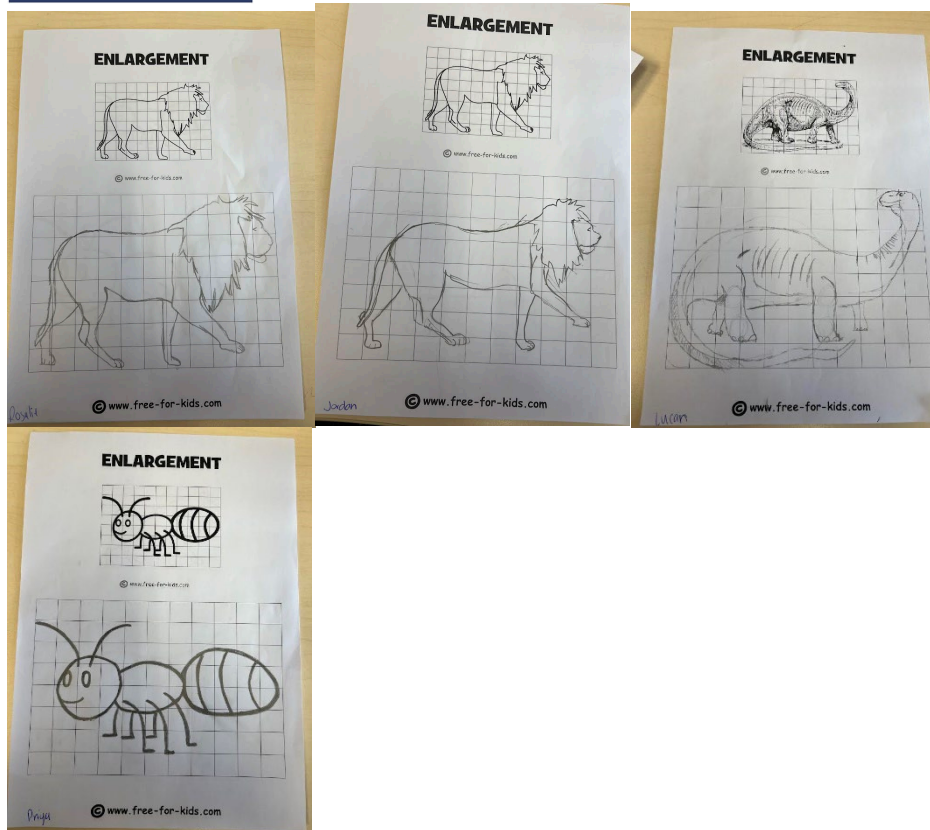
You will see which policies are under review and can respond to them as well.

The Tamariki in Kowhai wrote recounts about what they got up to in the weekend. Here is some of their work.



This week, Ruma Rimu have been concentrating on transformation in Math. They have been learning about enlargement. Here is some of the work that they have done.





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