

Newsletter Term 3 Week 1 2023

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Dear Parents, Caregivers & Knapdale Community Members,

Welcome to our weekly Newsletter. It was certainly great to see all of our Tamariki yesterday. They are all well rested and eager to learn. This term our over- arching focus will be around disasters and weather patterns. We will also be focusing on the agencies that help out in these situations and on what we can do to keep ourselves and our families safe.

#### New students to our school







Harper McDonald

It is with great pleasure that we welcome these two new students to our school. Baileigh is the 3rd generation of the Fisken family to come here. She has a younger sister who will be joining us later this month. We certainly look forward to all the interactions that we will be having with the whole family in the future. Harper has joined our New Entrant cohort in Kowhai and has made an excellent start to her schooling career. We certainly look forward to watching their progress in the years to come.

#### Hot meals on offer this term.

This term the school will have hot food on offer.

Fish and chip Day	Savaloys and Soup Day.
\$7.00 5 fish bites and chips <b>OR</b> 1 hotdog and chips <b>OR</b> 5 chicken nuggets and chips	\$2.00 Cup of soup <b>OR</b> 1 Savaloy, bread and sauce.



One week it will be fish and chips and the next week it will be saveloys 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.

## **Parent / Teacher Interviews**

We would like to thank all of those families who came to our parent teacher interviews. The majority of our families attended which was just so pleasing to see.

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

Please be aware that scripts have gone home. If your child / children has speaking parts, could you ensure that they practise these. 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.

#### **ERO Report**

Te Ara Huarau is the evaluation approach that the Education Review Office (ERO) is using in our school. This 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 one or more areas that are important to us as we work together to improve outcomes for all our learners. ERO, like us, have 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 <u>ERO's website</u>.

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

#### Health and PE Consultation

On the 3rd of August, we will be presenting the findings from the Health and PE Survey that was issued earlier in the year. This will be held at school at 3pm and Rose Dickson from Active Southland will also be in attendance.

#### 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 - <u>office@knapdale.school.nz</u> or 208 9473.

#### 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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Amanda

Nga mihi

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

Dates for 2023	School
Term 3	Docs
Start of the	Policies and Procedures
new term	
17th July	
Health and PE	We use SchoolDocs as a way to manage our Policies. Policies are
Feedback	always open for consultation in our school community - so go to
3rd August	www.schooldocs.co.nz - Click Search for your school. Start typing in
Cindefella	Knapdale and select from the dropdown list.
hits the field	Username: knapdale
days	Password: 9773
13th Sept	You will see which policies are under review and can respond to them as
	well.
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