



## Whanau and Friends of Kingsford,

**Tena koutou, tena koutou, tena koutou katoa.**

**Talofa lava, Malo e lelei, Bula Vinaka, Kia orana, Namaste, Fakalofa lahi atu, Croeso.**

A very special welcome to all our new students who have just started on their educational journey at Kingsford School. We wish you all the very best as you become part of the Kingsford whanau.

I am pleased to report that 98% of our students have returned to school since the COVID-19 lockdown. However, I was disappointed to hear, as I am sure you all were, that after 24 days of being Covid-19 free, New Zealand had two new active cases. I want to reassure you that here at school we are continuing to maintain robust practices around hygiene, and continue to keep shared surfaces and equipment clean. We ask that you continue to keep your children home if they have any flu-like symptoms.

These practices help to keep us all safe and healthy. If you or a member of your family is displaying any flu-like symptoms, we ask that you phone your GP or Healthline (free - 0800 611 116). Symptoms include:

- a cough
- a high temperature (at least 38°C)
- shortness of breath
- a sore throat
- sneezing and runny nose
- temporary loss of smell

If your child is unwell and you decide to keep them home from school, we ask that you let us know, either by completing an absence form on our [school website](#), or by leaving a message on our answerphone - 2759447.

## Class Trips to Mangere Mountain

During the next two weeks all of our children will be visiting Te Pane o Mataoho – Mangere Mountain, as part of our school-wide focus on supporting our students to discover the history of the area we live and learn in.

Permission notices will be coming home over the coming days, so please keep a look out for when your child brings their form home. There is no cost to whanau for this trip, as our school has opted in to the Ministry of Education's School Donation Scheme. However we do need adult helpers to come along to help us supervise the students and keep them safe during this trip. So if you are available to help us out, we would be very grateful. Thank you to those of you who have already volunteered your assistance.

## School Reports

As I mentioned in the last newsletter, students will be receiving their progress and achievement reports in the coming weeks. As our reporting timelines differ for students in Years 1-3, please get in touch with their class teacher if you are unsure if your child will be receiving a report – they will be more than happy to discuss this with you. All Year 4-6 students will receive their mid-year report on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> July, so be sure to ask your child for theirs.

## KidsCan Jackets, Shoes and Socks

With the colder months now approaching, it is timely to check in with whanau regarding the need for raincoats, shoes and socks for your children. These items are provided to students free of charge, thanks to the [KidsCan charity](#). If you would like to order a jacket and/or shoes for your child/children, please contact your child's teacher, or phone us at the office.



## ENROLLING NOW FOR THE JULY HOLIDAY PROGRAMME 2020 AND FOR TERM 3

Before School Care: 7:30am to 8 :30am  
After School Care from: 3pm to pm  
Monday to Friday.

Holiday Programme from 8 am to 6 pm  
Monday to Friday

We offer fun and exciting activities daily.

WINZ subsidies are available for working parents, or those on a sickness benefit or who are studying.

*WINZ terms and conditions will apply.*

Please call **Ferdilin on 0210356547** for more information.

### Upcoming dates

June 30 - BOT Meeting, 6pm, School Staffroom

July 3 – School Reports sent home (Y4-6 students)

July 3 – Last day of Term 2

July 20 – First day of Term 3

July 29 & 30 – Parent Teacher Conferences

For more information, check out our school website [www.kingsford.school.nz](http://www.kingsford.school.nz) or search for Kingsford Primary School on Facebook.

Nga mihi nui

Anna Smythe  
Acting Principal

### Spotlight on Learning

Please enjoy this piece of writing from some of our Year 4 students in Room 19.



*One day Geogie and Martha were inside watching TV. Mum told Martha and Georgie to go outside for fresh air. So they sat there and waited until Martha felt a drop. It started to pour with rain. Martha was freezing, Georgie was soaking wet. So Mum had an idea. So Mum gave them raincoats and umbrellas. Mum brought them a new umbrella. Martha and Georgie wanted to stay outside.*

*Caliph*

*One day there was a lion napping. But suddenly a mouse came running across his nose and the mouse made a trap which could trap the lion. And then the lion woke up. He was walking but the trap got him and then the lion got angry and he was roaring because he was angry. But the mouse helped him and then they became friends forever.*

*Jacob*

*On April 5th it was so wind at the seaside. The wind blew with all his power. Along came the sun.*

*"Hey Sun," said the wind. "I am so strong."*

*"Hey there my friend," replied the Sun. "You might be strong but there is other weather that could be stronger than you."*

*The sun smiled at the wind, but the wind began a quarrel. A traveller named Biggie sat down on the other side of the seaside.*

*"You see that man over there?" said the wind. "One of us has to take his black and white scarf and his long black coat off."*

*"So a competition?" said the sun*

*The wind replied, "Yes."*

*The wind blew so hard, he was full of bluster. Biggie tried to go to the clean brown bridge. When he reached it, he sat down. The wind couldn't blow hard enough. "I can't do it, so you can't do it either."*

*The sun said, "Let's see if that happens." The sun smiled and when Biggie got up, the sun smiled even more. Biggie continued walking. He took off his scarf and long coat because he was hot.*

*"I won!" said the sun. "Oh my gosh, I am sorry, like, for real sorry."*

*"I think you blow a bit," said Sun.*

*"Why?" asked the Wind.*

*"Just look at the man while you do it."*

*The man walked faster, but also, he was warm.*

*Be gentle and kind.*

*Caleb*