

KIMBOLTON SCHOOL



May 27, 2026

I am often thinking about parents' role in their child's education. Parents are a child's very first teachers and their most enduring champions. They get to turn everyday moments into learning opportunities and foster a curiosity-driven home. They have the unique opportunity to lay the foundation for academic and social success. When parents and schools unite as a team, children don't just achieve academically—they build the confidence, resilience, and lifelong love for learning needed to truly thrive. We are very fortunate at Kimbolton School to have a supportive community, who genuinely want the best for their kids, our students.

Greg



Anzac Cove Model Competition

It was great to see such a high quality of entries in this competition. Thanks to those who supported the students in completing great models. A special well done to the place getters.

First: Bobo, Marleigh and Everlyn

Second: Harper, Luke, Madison

Third: Dustin

Fourth: James and Emily.



Head Lice

We have had cases of head lice at school.

We suggest you check your child's hair and if needed treat this immediately.

Camps

We have had a great response from parents wanting to support our two camps in Term 3. Teachers will be in touch soon to confirm parent participation.

Kim Kai

Kim Kai is going well. The sausage and bread option is proving popular and Milos are also good sellers. A reminder to get orders in by Thursdays.

Dress Up Day

Tomorrow, May 28, we have a dress up day. The theme is Fairy Tales or Tigers. We look forward to seeing the creativity that the kids come up with. They can choose either topic.



Kauri House Marbles

Well done to Kauri House for getting their marbles over the line. The students in this house will receive a fish and chip lunch on Thursday, June 4. They will only require morning tea on this day.

School Polar Fleeces

We are currently awaiting the arrival of new school polar fleeces. Once these arrive then the old ones must be returned. A huge thanks to the KSSC who are sharing the costs of the new ones with the school. Once handed out, we ask that you take good care of them and ensure they stay in good condition, allowing our school to be represented with pride. They will be on the same system as our current ones, where you will not buy or own them.

Mataraki Shared Meal and Quiz

A reminder about this school community event. Thursday, June 25 from about 5.30. Details to be confirmed soon.

Kauwhata Marae Trip

Thanks to the parents who supported this trip. Feedback from students and staff was positive.

I asked some students their favourite thing on the day and got these responses.

Victoria: The singing.

Noah: Seeing the carvings.

James: A Piawakaka coming into the Wharenui.

Okotahi: Singing

Emily: Doing a sketch

Macca: Listening to the speeches.

Troy: The traditions and culture.

William: The patterns and carvings.



School Beanies

They are for sale again this winter, at the bargain price of \$10.

Talent Show Auditions

These will be held at school on *Thursday, June 18.*

Positive and Supportive Language

We are currently having a focus on students using positive and supportive language. We are noticing that some students are getting a bit snappy with each other, and not showing required tolerance at times. We have made it clear to students that if someone is impacting their opportunity to learn to the best of their ability, they can ask nicely for the student to not do what they're doing, however it can not be done in a snappy tone, or with negative language. So instead of saying, "Stop That!" they might say, "Can you please not, it is affecting my learning." Students that struggle with this will come and do some work with me around developing the skill, and we will let you know, so you can reinforce the desired behaviour at home. They also have the option to ignore other's actions.

Obviously we are also working with students to ensure they do not impact others' learning opportunities.



KIMBOLTON SCHOOL SUPPORT COMMITTEE (KSSC)

At our meeting last week, we discussed the allocation of funds back to the school. If you are interested in knowing the positive effects of your input towards the fundraising events, then please come along to any meeting and/or read the notes that get circulated after each meeting.

As a reminder: if you are wanting to be able to have a vote when special circumstances arise or for large expenditure approvals then you need to have had a minimum of 2 interactions with the KSSC in a calendar year. These interactions can either be as attendance at a meeting or as an apology (and following up with reading the notes). Attendance can be online, on phone or in person.

We are currently in a quiet period for fundraising events but we do have the annual Pet Day BBQ (Fri 30th Oct) and the Cross Hills Parking (Sat 21st Nov) confirmed. If you have any ideas for fundraising or funds allocation, please let any committee member know: Sara Martin, Fiona Quarrie, Nat Masters, Kirsty Early, Liv Manley, Emma Brennan, Lissah Blanchard, Georgia Jenkins, Janelle Gillum.

The next meeting is Tuesday September 1st at 1:30pm in the school hall.

Nga mihi, Janelle Gillum (Chairperson)

