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April 29, 2026

Without a doubt, this has been the busiest start to a term I can remember, not only at Kimbolton, but ever in my career.

This busy start to the term is a reminder of the great opportunities that we offer our students at Kimbolton School.

The busy start has included Cycle Safety, a team going to Lit Quiz, a Year 7 and 8 Camp, Anzac Weekend, Year 0-6s trip to the War Memorial, Room 3's trip to the Heritage Park, and later this week Room 1 have Wellbeing with Megan from St Johns and on Friday they are going to the Science Roadshow in Feilding. Obviously, the cycling was ultimately postponed to September, but you get the idea, we have been really busy.

No need to panic, as students have still been doing Maths, Reading, Writing etc and learning. The extra opportunities take away from some class time, but are valuable additional learning chances for the students.

Greg

Easter Raffle

This has been drawn and resulted. Well done to all winners, and thanks again to the students who sold tickets.

14th: Digby Lowe

13th: Binoid Poudel

12th: Lachie Toulmin

11th: Erana Cadwallader

10th: Kim Nelson

9th: Jeff Erard

8th: Aiden Keow

7th: Solomon McGlashan

6th: Marie Brennan

5th: Aunty Trish

4th: Aaron Edge

3rd: Wade Clare

2nd: Alex Manley

1st: Mae Jenkins



Year 7 and 8 Camp

Last week we took the Year 7 and 8 students to Sixtus Lodge for the night. Amongst the laughs and different experiences we did work with this group on what we believe are two great skills that our older students can have. The key learning points were around, 1) developing our emotional intelligence and 2) using active listening skills. Simply put, we believe that moving towards high school the ability for young adults to listen and show an interest in other people, along with being able to understand how our decision making and actions make others feel, are two key skills to have.

I asked the students their favourite activities on our camp and got the following responses.

Alex - Horse riding

Anu - Cooking dinner

Lyla - Cooking dinner

Troy - Horse riding

Naish - Horse riding

Grace - Horse riding

Allazay - Hut building



A huge thank you to Sandy at Table Flat Horse Trekking for the opportunity for us to do horse riding. Sandy was excellent and the horses were well behaved.



Assembly

The first assembly of the term is next Friday, May 8. We look forward to seeing you there. The delay in assemblies is due to the amount of additional opportunities that we have offered.

Dress Up Day

On Thursday, 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.

ANZAC Cove Model Comp

These are due on May 21. We really look forward to seeing the students' creativity and what they come up with. We encourage them to enter. The information came out via Hero. If you want to know more, let us know.

Kim Kai

Kim Kai is back this Friday. The American Hot Dogs have been replaced with really nice sausages and bread and Milo has been included to the menu. Orders in by Thursday thanks.

Kim Kai Menu, 2026	
Sausage and bread	\$2.50
Mince and Cheese Pie	\$3
Chicken Nuggets.	50c each.
Juicies	\$1.50
Milo	\$2.00

Lit Quiz

Last week Judy took Lawrance, Everlyn, Marleigh and Emily to Feilding for the very challenging Lit Quiz. The team performed admirably, finishing in the top 10, Everlyn winning \$5 and the cream on the top of the Lit Quiz cake was Judy winning the raffle.



Parent Teacher Catch Ups

These are on Tuesday, May 12 and if you have not returned your forms a reminder they are due by April 30. Teachers look forward to meeting with you on the 12th.

Term One Attendance - Comparisons to this time last year in brackets.

Regular / Good Attendance	Worrying / Irregular Attendance
80% (69)	18% (21)
	Concerning / Moderate Attendance
	2% (4)
	Very Concerning / Chronic Attendance
	0% (6)

Orienteering

On Thursday, May 14 we have the opportunity to take some Year 5 - 8 students orienteering. This will be at Waituna West and may lead to students entering the Manawatu School's Champs. This is not for everyone and the general criteria is students should already be able to run for about 15 minutes non stop, and want to do orienteering. We will be collecting names next week, and are limited to about 14 students.

Science Roadshow

On Friday, Room 1 will be going to a Science Roadshow. We do not know exactly what to expect, but if following this visit, it is deemed a valuable learning experience we will commit to it over the coming years.

KSSC

A reminder about the KSSC Meeting on Monday, May 18 at 2pm.

Also a reminder that we are collecting can tabs for Kids Can. We have already filled the container once.

Thanks to those of you who have contributed tabs.

Help Required

For health and safety reasons we had to remove the slide from the playground this year. We are now looking for anyone who is happy to come in and remove the timber face of the old slide, as we prepare to turn it into a small climbing frame. If you, or a group of you, have the skills to help, please let us know ASAP. I am happy to show you specifically what we are looking to do, if you think you may be able to help.

