



# KNIGHTON NORMAL SCHOOL

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Dear Parents and Caregivers,  
Thank you for a great start to the year.

### Stationery

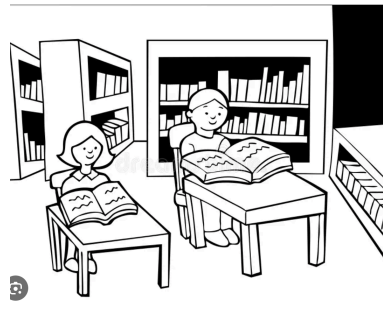
Thank you for buying your child's stationery. For those still to buy the stationery you can do this through our online Kindo shop. You can go to [www.mykindo.co.nz](http://www.mykindo.co.nz) and set up an account. There are no fees for Kindo payments unless you choose to use a credit card.

You can pop into the office to pay too. Remember we do not use cash at school. You will need to bring a money card.



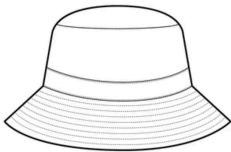
### Library

**Our library day will be Thursday.** Children can issue one book each week. Books can be kept in tote trays or taken home. The school library opens next week.



### Sunhats

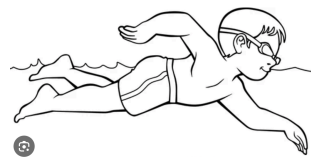
Sunhats protect your child's face and head from our hot sun. If your child does not have a hat you can buy one from the school office for \$12 or through the Kindo shop. Your child must wear a school hat when playing outside.



### Swimming

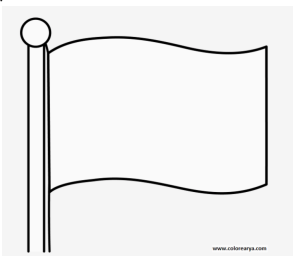
**Our swimming days are every Monday and Wednesday**

We are lucky to have a school swimming pool. The water is warmed a little which means we can swim all of Term 1 and Term 4. Swimming is a very important part of our learning programme.



### Cultural Festival and Parade

Our school **cultural festival and parade** will be held on **Wednesday 25 March**, (Week 8). Come along and watch our parade and the cultural performances. It starts at 9am.



### Parent Teacher Meet and Greet

On **Tuesday 17 February from 5 - 6.30pm** we will be having a school picnic. This is a chance for us to meet and also for you to get to know other families in our school community. Bring your own dinner and a blanket to sit on and join our picnic.



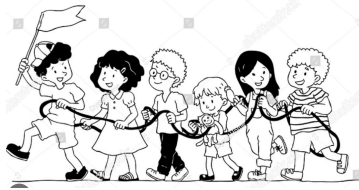
### Class Pets: Winky

We have a class pet. Winky is a golden bell frog who enjoys eating flies and small live insects. If you can catch any live flies and bring them to school for him that would be fantastic! Winky has proved very popular with children, showing off his acrobatic skills as he stalks his prey.



### Year 4 Team Building Morning

Our team of Year 4 classes will be joining together on **Friday 20th February (Week 3)** for a block of fun activities. The purpose is to build the skills for teamwork and to get to know each other. **Swimming togs and towel** will be needed on this day!



### Nuts

We have children in our school who are allergic to nuts. Please do not send nuts or food with nuts in it to school.



### Brain Break

Brain Break is a time in the morning for the children to eat a small healthy snack and recharge their brains. Children are allowed a piece of fruit, vegetables, yoghurt or a small sandwich at this time. Please send only water to drink. Lollies or sweets are not allowed at our school.



### Term One Topics

Reading, writing and maths programmes are very important. I want your child to enjoy these subjects and I want them to improve a lot.

Our **Science** unit this term will be all about **Frogs**.

In **Health** we will be learning about **friendship** and getting along with others.

In **Social Science** we will be learning about **Treasures**, particularly our cultural treasures.

In **Te Reo Māori** we will begin learning karakia, waiata and lots of classroom words.

### Class Dojo

This is a way for me to share photos, news, learning at school and class events with you. It is also a way for you to message me or share exciting things done at home your child would like to share with me or the class. If you are unable to access Class Dojo please let me know and I can send a link for you to join.

It has been great to meet so many of you over the past couple of weeks. My email is [pgardener@kns.ac.nz](mailto:pgardener@kns.ac.nz).

I am super excited about our year together and all of the things already planned and yet to be imagined that will make it a truly memorable year



Hei konā mai rā,

nā Pauline Gardener Ward