



# K Headlines KAIPARA

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## Swine Flu Plans

The Ministry of Education has passed on advice from the Ministry of Health about preparations for a possible swine flu (H1N1) outbreak. The Ministry of Health said:

*"There are clear signs of the early stages of a pandemic, namely significant increase in the number and spread of infection outside Mexico and North America. The overseas experience of the virus shows schools seem to be particularly susceptible to the virus as evidenced in the US, Europe, Japan and also Australia."*

*"...at this stage all evidence suggests it will be a matter of when, rather than if, the virus appears in our community."*

This advice is the first step in the national plan for dealing with a possible epidemic. The major goal is prevention with preparation.

The College has its own plan and we are taking the advice of the MoH and MoE and getting prepared.

*"Schools and early childhood services by their nature are susceptible to many viruses and influenza in particular is readily spread by children."*

We advise all parents that:

- We are monitoring all students with colds or flu like symptoms.
- We are monitoring MoH updates.

We ask parents to:

- Emphasise hygiene routines with their children.
- Keep children with colds and flu at home.
- Contact their GP by phone if flu is suspected.
- Consider keeping students returning from the US, Australia or Japan at home for one week after they have returned in order to ensure that they do not have any flu.

The MoH has advised us that should any cases of Swine Flu appear in our community all the schools in the area would probably be closed. If this was to be decided, it could happen very fast. It is possible that the school could close on the day of the notification. Schools would be closed for at least one week, but a closure may last longer. (One week is the length of time a person is infectious.)

The school has a plan for this:

- Students will be fully informed about what is happening.
- They will be given a newsletter for parents containing as much information as possible.
- They will be given school work to do for the period of the closure.
- School will close at 3.10 pm (the normal time) on the day of the closure and students will come home in the normal way.

For the full text of the MoH and MoE advice to schools go to <http://www.minedu.govt.nz/>. Click on the link below the heading, "PUBLIC HEALTH NOTICE" on the right hand side of the page and follow the link.

The need to be well prepared is emphasised by yesterday's press release from the Ministry of Health:

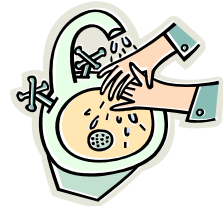
*"We are watching with concern the rapid increase in the number of confirmed cases in Australia, particularly in the state of Victoria. The continuing rise in the number of overseas cases notified to the World Health Organization and the sudden increase in the number of confirmed cases in our closest neighbour make it increasingly difficult to keep influenza A (H1N1) out of New Zealand."*

## Prevention is the Key



**Cover your nose and mouth when you cough or sneeze.**

**Don't cough or sneeze in to your hands without washing them immediately.**



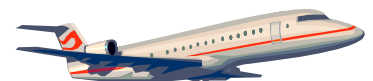
**Wash your hands for at least 20 seconds with soap and water;**

- Before handling food
- After using the toilet
- After playing sport or being on the fields



**Don't come to school if you have a cold or the flu.**

**Don't forget to ring us and let us know, please!**



**Consider staying home for one week after travel from the US, Japan or Australia.**

# SPORTS NEWS

## DRAW: Starting Friday 5 June

**BASKETBALL (Boys) Friday 5 June**  
Senior Boys v Glenfield NSEC 2 6.00pm

**RUGBY Saturday 6 June**  
1st XV v Kingsway Silv 3 12.00pm  
5th Grade v Takapuna Taka 1 10.40am  
6th Grade v Westlake 3 Kaip 1 10.40am  
7th Grade v Westlake 1 Kaip 1 9.30am

**NETBALL Saturday 6 June**  
Senior 1 v Rangitoto 3 Court 6 9.45am  
Senior 2 v Carmel 2 Court 6 9.00am  
Senior 3 v Long Bay 6 Court 11 12.45pm  
Year 10A v Pinehurst 2 Court 11 10.30am  
Year 10B v Rangitoto 23 Court 13 12.45pm  
Year 9A v Birkenhead Court 13 9.00am  
Year 9B v Northcote 3 Court 22 9.00am

**FOOTBALL (Boys) Saturday 6 June**  
1st XI v Henderson Hend 1 10.00am

**WATERPOLO Sunday 7 June**  
Sen C Grade v West Spr Divewell 7.30pm

**FOOTBALL (Girls) Wednesday 10 June**  
1st XI v Rangitoto 2 Rgtt 1 4.00pm  
2nd XI v Glenfield 2 Glfd 1 4.00pm  
Junior v Westlake Kaip 1 4.00pm

**BADMINTON Wednesday 10 June**  
Kaipara Cox v Waitakere Ct 2 3.30pm  
Kaipara Mix v St Dom 6 Ct 5 3.30pm

**BASKETBALL (Girls) Thursday 11 June**  
Senior Girls v Hato Petera Ct 2 AUT 4.45pm

**HOCKEY Wednesday 10 June**  
Boys 1st XI v Kingsway 2 Rang 6.00pm

**Thursday 11 June**

Girls 1st XI v semi-finals – game tba

**Friday 12 June**  
Girls 2nd XI v Rangitoto Crown 1 5.00pm

## RESULTS: Starting Wednesday 27 May

**HOCKEY Wednesday 27 May**  
Boys 1st XI v Westlake 1-0 loss

**Thursday 28 May**

Girls 1st XI v Birkenhead 4-0 win

**Friday 29 May**

Girls 2nd XI v Glenfield 1-0 loss

**BASKETBALL Thursday 28 May**  
Senior Girls v Kristin 61-8 win

**BASKETBALL Friday 29 May**  
Senior Boys v no game

**RUGBY Saturday 30 May**  
1st XV v Birkenhead 16-14 win

5th Grade v no game

6th Grade v no game

7th Grade v Westlake 2 29-0 loss

**NETBALL Saturday 30 May**  
No games – Queen's Birthday Weekend

**FOOTBALL (Boys) Saturday 30 May**  
Boys 1st XI v no game

**WATERPOLO Sunday 31 May**  
Senior B v no game

**FOOTBALL (Girls) Wednesday 3 June**  
1st XI v Birkenhead 5-1 win

2nd XI v Kingsway 1-0 win

Junior v Orewa 2-1 loss

**BADMINTON Wednesday 3 June**  
Kaipara Cox v Green Bay 5-0 win  
Kaipara Mix v Kelston B 1 4-1 win



**Top Junior Chefs Show Their Skills**



Courtney Pirie will represent the College at the NZ Beef and Lamb Junior Burger Competition in July having qualified first in a field of eight chefs for the privilege. Tom Beattie was second.

## Thursday, 2 July

### Careers Expo & Parent Report Evening

Community Careers Expo  
12 Noon until 7 pm  
Every body is welcome  
Hangi at 3.30 pm

Meet your child's teachers  
& visit the Careers Expo.  
4 pm & 8 pm  
Appointment sheet with  
reports – mailed shortly.

# COMING UP

19 June	Friday	Teacher Only Day 1
24 June	Wednesday	Teacher Only Day 2
2 July	Thursday	Parent Report Evening
		Careers Expo
3 July	Friday	End of Term 2
20 July	Monday	Start of Term 3

**For careers, scholarship and contact information see either Ms Couch or look on the Kaipara College web-site under Careers [www.kaiparacollege.school.nz](http://www.kaiparacollege.school.nz)**