

# NEWSLETTER: 11 October/Whiringa-ā-nuku 2016

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#### Kia ora, Talofa lava, Greetings

Thank you to the many children who participated in the combined schools group that performed at the **SV Library and Community Hall closing ceremony** on the first Saturday of the holidays, and to all the classes that formed the 'child chain' to transport some of the library books to its temporary home. The school continued to rock during the holidays with the KCC programme...great photos of the activities on our facebook page.

Welcome back to the final term of 2016, full of exciting happenings designed to enhance your children's learning experiences. Today, the classes who have been involved in the Whitebait Connection project are on their **trip to Baring Head**. This was the trip that was postponed from last term, due to dreadful weather conditions.

This Thursday, we will also be completing the **bike skills training**, that was postponed for the same reason. If your Year Four, Five or Six child hasn't yet taken part and they have a bike, feel free to bring it. There will be a bike mechanic here to do any minor 'fix-ups' required.

**SCHOOL PHOTOS** will be taken next Wednesday (19 October) from 8.30am. Order forms are attached. Please fill in a separate order for each child. Payment is made in the envelope that is given directly to LC Scott or you can pay online. Please check out the instructions on the form. Orders must be received by 3.00pm Tuesday 18 October. **NO late orders** on the day will be accepted

Please remember to return all **netball uniforms**, nice and clean. Your bond will be returned once we have the uniform.

A very special thank you to school dad, **Kris Frederickson**, who has helped our children cross SV Road safely before school for several years now. He now has other demands on his time, and we are very appreciative of all the support he has given us. Kris picked up two days this year, Tuesdays and Thursdays, so we now have a couple of gaps. If there is anyone who can help, please let Barbara know. We are also looking for a few more people to help with **Breakfast Club**, so if you have any regular time available, or are just able to drop in to the Kids Kitchen (off the library) from 8.00-8.30am to lend a hand if necessary, you would be most welcome.

We will be starting the **organisation process for 2017** shortly, so now is the time to give us any information you would like us to consider as we make our decisions. See the form attached, or email Barbara on the address above.

### A Personal Message from Barbara Hay...

I wish to formally advise my intention to retire at the end of this year. I made the call just before the holiday break. I love this job and the Koraunui School staff, kids and community with all my heart, but I simply do not have the energy any more for its demands, and I am completely over the relentless paperwork.

I won't be disappearing. I will formally finish at the end of January, but will be in during Term One to sort out a whole lot of 'stuff' that needs to be organised, chucked and readied for the new principal.... just not at 7.00am, evenings and weekends! After 43 years in education, 27 as a school principal and 23 at Stokes Valley/Koraunui Schools, I feel it is time for our beautiful school to be led by a person who can bring fresh eyes and ideas to the role.

As Deputy Principal, Dianne Wright will step into my place in Term One while the board of trustees works through the appointment process. My wish will be to support Di with the workload over this time so she can get on with the start of year processes, and experience principal-ship first-hand. I know 100% that Di will do a great job.

I feel very privileged to have been involved with this school over many years of fun times, exciting learning experiences, a few heartaches as we have lost treasured staff and community members, and some major changes...and my continued involvement with Polyfest and being booked to do community reading tutor <u>at least</u> twice a week will mean I will still be able to catch up with the many children and parents who have become great friends.

Arohanui

Barbara

You help me learn and grow through everyday things we do together. Everything I learn, do and feel is connected. How I learn and grow depends on both who I am and what I experience. Watch and help me grow from birth to 18 months! 3 - 6 Months 12 - 15 Months 15 - 18 Months Birth - 3 Months 6 - 9 Months 9 - 12 Months SOCIAL & EMOTIONAL I need and trust you. I show my feelings. I like familiar people best. I enjoy playing with adults. I like to explore with help. I need help with my feelings. Llearn best when you love me, encourage me and help me be with Notice my f d when I cry so I ud and dance with other people. and say ki **50c STALLS** Friday morning tea in the hall. NEXT WEEK! Please send along payment by Tuesday morning before school for this event. Bruce Potter Artist visit: Tuesday 18 October \$2 a child or \$5 for the family Name:\_\_\_\_\_\_ Rm \_\_\_ Name:\_\_\_\_\_ Rm \_\_\_\_ Name:\_\_\_\_\_\_ Rm \_\_\_\_ Name:\_\_\_\_\_ Rm \_\_\_\_ Enclosed : \$



There's going to be a Ghoulish, Haunted, Darkest Night Family Disco on Halloween Night in the transformed Hall...

The date is MONDAY 31 OCTOBER: 5.30-7.30pm

Entry: \$2 plus spending money

### **ORGANISATION FOR 2017**

Information for Miss Hay's consideration for next year.

Name:\_\_\_\_\_ Child's name:\_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

## **TERM FOUR DATES**

### **Every Week**

Mondays: RDA children horse-riding at Silverstream Fridays: 1.00-2.00: Year Six tennis lessons at SV courts Fridays: 2.00-3.00: Violin lessons in Te Whare Matauranga. Free **This Week** Thu 13 Oct: Bike safety training. Room 11 and Room ? Thu 13 Oct: Civil Defence siren check at 10.00am Thu 13 Oct: Football 30 min lessons. All classes. Fri 14 Oct: New Social Worker in Schools (SWiS) starts: Vincent Underwood. Welcome at 9.00am. All welcome Fri 14 Oct: Koraunui Marae open day. Some classes visiting to learn the history of the marae and other activities. Community welcome between 10.00am and 2.00pm. Sun 16 Oct: BoT meeting: 3.30-5.30pm: Staffroom Tue 18 Oct: Bruce Potter, Illustrator, at school: 8.50am: Rms 7, 10, 11, 13, 14, 15. 10.30am: Rms 1, 2, 3, 4, 56, 8, 9 Tue 18 Oct: Aiga Fono: Staffroom. 5.30-7.00pm Wed 19 Oct: School photos. Be at school on time! Mon 24 Oct: Labour Day. NO SCHOOL! Tue 25 Oct: Teeball tournament at Fraser Park: Years One to Four Tue 25 Oct: Love Your Coast cleanup. Tbc Wed 26 Oct: BoT meeting: 7.00-9.00pm: Staffroom Fri 28 Oct: School assembly, hosted by Room 15: 9.00am Fri 28 Oct: EPro8 Challenge: Ferguson Intermediate: 4x4 teams (invited children): 9.30am start Fri 4 Nov: Technology Challenge: Rooms 3, 4, 56: In hall: 10.30am-12.30pm Fri 4 Nov: Pasifika Fifia fundraiser night. Venue tbc Mon 7 Nov: Senior School athletics day (tbc) Tue 8 Nov: Tuhono i te Ao: Science EXPO at Walter Nash Centre: All Years Four, Five and Six Tue 8 Nov: Local trip: Rooms 3, 4, 56 Tue 15 - Thu 18 Nov: Year Six dinghy sailing at Seaview Marina: 12 children each day. Tue 15 Nov: Northern Zone athletics: Naenae Park Wed 16 Nov: BoT meeting: 7.00-9.00pm: Staffroom Fri 18 Nov: School assembly, hosted by Room 14: 9.0am Mon 21 Nov: ERO visiting school this week Tue 22 Nov: ERO available to talk to community: 2.00-3.00pm. Other times by appointment Tue 22 Nov: Interzone athletics: Years Four, Five, Six: Hutt Recreation Ground Wed 22 Nov: Junior School athletics day: Years Zero, One, Two, Three Mon 28 Nov - Fri 2 Dec: Year Six Camp at Outdoor Pursuits, Wairarapa Tue 29 Nov: Wellington City trip: Rooms 3, 4, 56 Tue 29 Nov: Regional Athletics: Newtown Park Wed 30 Nov: BoT meeting: 7.00-9.00: Staffroom Fri 2 Dec: Technology Challenge: Rooms 3, 4, 56: In hall: 10.30am-12.30pm Wed 7 Dec: Year Six patrol party hosted by the police: Naenae Pool: 10.30-noon: Bus free Wed 7 Dec: BoT meeting: 7.00-9.00pm: Staffroom Fri 9 Dec: School assembly, hosted by Room 13: 9.0am Tue 13 Dec: Year Six graduation: 7.00pm. School hall Wed 14 Dec: Year Six Magical Mystery Tour: Straight after school until very, very late..! Thu 15 Dec: 11.00am final assembly. Finish at 12 noon. NO KCC Sat 17 Dec: Pasifika performing at Dowse Square sometime between 3.00pm and 6.00pm 2017 Mon 9 Jan: KCC holiday programme starts on Monday 9 January and finish on Thursday 26 January Tue 24 Jan: Stationery sales start Thu 26 Jan: Last day for KCC holiday programme Mon 30 Jan: Term One starts



#### **Toolbox Parenting Groups - from The Parenting Place**

Whether you are already a super-parent or you're struggling a bit, Toolbox parenting groups give you plenty of good ideas as well as the opportunity to discuss them, share, and laugh with other parents.

### Building Awesome Whānau, for parents of children aged 0-12 years

Packed full of ideas, positive stories from parents and useful resources to help you build a great future. **Upper Hutt: Sundays 3pm to 5pm, from 16 October to 20 November** This group is being offered at the reduced price of \$35 per person, \$55 per couple, thanks to local funding.

### Middle Years Toolbox, for parents of children aged 6-12 years

The Middle Years Toolbox is designed to help you stay connected, teach skills and build memories. Lower Hutt: Mondays 7pm to 9pm, from 31 October to 5 December

### Tweens & Teens, for parents of 12-18 year olds

Although these years can be challenging, they can actually be some of the best years of your life - and theirs! Lower Hutt: Wednesdays 7pm to 9pm, from 19 October to 23 November

Bookings are essential. Cost: \$75 individual, \$110 couple (subsidies are available – don't let finances stop you!) Free for foster and adoptive parents and grandparents raising grandchildren, thanks to govt funding. Visit www.theparentingplace.com or contact Natalie P 934 8483 E wellington@parentingplace.nz



A new STEM group and another Beehive get started.

DON'T BECOME PREOCCUPIED WITH YOUR CHILD'S ACADEMIC ABILITY BUT INSTEAD TEACH THEM TO SIT WITH THOSE SITTING ALONE TEACH THEM TO BE KIND TEACH THEM TO OFFER THEIR HELP TEACH THEM TO BE A FRIEND TO THE LONELY TEACH THEM TO BE A FRIEND TO THE LONELY TEACH THEM TO ENCOURAGE OTHERS TEACH THEM TO THINK ABOUT OTHER PEOPLE TEACH THEM TO SHARE TEACH THEM TO LOOK FOR THE GOOD

THIS IS HOW THEY'LL CHANGE THE WORLD