



NEWSLETTER: 14 December/Hakihea 2016

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Kia ora, Talofa lava, Greetings

Tonight: Year **6's Magical Mystery Tour** – leaving school at 2.15pm. Delivered directly to home very, very late. If you need to contact: Barbara: 022 170 1927

2017 Class lists are in the window of the office

This Week

Thu 15 Dec: 11.00am final assembly. Finish at 12 noon. All children go home. NO KCC IN THE AFTERNOON

Fri 16-Fri 23 Dec: KCC holiday programme .

Sat 17 Dec: Pasifika performing at Dowse Square sometime between 3.00pm and 6.00pm

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Mon 9 Jan: KCC holiday programme starts on Monday 9 January and finishes on Thursday 26 January

Tue 24 Jan: Stationery sales start – Please note, NO sales Friday 27 January as all staff are at a meeting off site.

Thu 26 Jan: Last day for KCC holiday programme

Mon 30 Jan: Term One starts

FAREWELLS

We say goodbye this year to...

... all our wonderful Year Sixes, moving on to intermediate.

...families who are moving out of Stokes Valley to new adventures

... 'Grandma', Elizabeth Richardson, who will work on the holiday programme and then finish, although we may see her back from time to time as a KCC reliever.

...Paul Morris, who will be in his final year of teacher training....who knows what the future might bring!

... Sheryl Brown, who has given us great service for two years in the junior whanau classes. Sheryl is moving to Edgecumbe to live and teach, closer to her whanau.

...Liz Raimona, but only for a short while. Liz will be at school in February and December, the rest of the year she will be on study leave to further her development of te reo me ona tikanga Māori. Liz will be working around the school rather than her usual room, to allow the reliever to start and finish the year.

....and finally, the lovely Andrea Evans, who is moving to Te Awamutu to be with her beau! Andrea will be working at Kio Kio School. Andrea has been at Koraunui School since it opened in 2005 and has taught predominantly in the junior school. We will miss the dramatic touch Andrea brings to her work and wish her well for the exciting direction she is moving into.

On a personal note, this last few weeks has been filled with many lasts. I can now add writing the newsletter to the list of lasts!

I have been feeling overwhelmed by the outpouring of good wishes I have been receiving. Last Friday's children's farewell was amazing in many ways, not in the least because those gorgeous kids sat for two hours watching each stunning class performance. The haka got me in the end, that's when the tears started to flow!

Saturday's farewell at Walter Nash Centre was most emotional and will be a lasting memory for me and my family who, I think, finally fully understood what my career has meant to me.

I thank you all from the bottom of my heart!

I'll be around next year, mainly sorting out the library and getting involved in Polyfest.

All the best for a great holiday break and needs -satisfying New Year.

