



NEWSLETTER SEVEN, TERM ONE

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KIA ORA, TALOFA LAVA, AND WELCOME.

TEACHER ONLY DAY – LAST FRIDAY 6th MARCH

Thank you to everyone for supporting our teacher only day last Friday. We had a day of learning with our colleagues from 14 other schools from Taita, Stokes Valley and Naenae. This was the first opportunity for our schools to gather together and share our experiences and knowledge as well as building learning networks between our schools. We will be following up from this day with combined staff meetings to further build on the work we have begun.

CORONA VIRUS UPDATE (COVID 19)

With the on-going coverage of what is happening within New Zealand and around the world with the Corona virus, the Ministry of Education and Ministry of Health are providing schools with information about this issue. Current advice to schools is to:

Be informed - keep checking the information on the [Health website](https://www.health.govt.nz/our-work/diseases-and-conditions/covid-19-novel-coronavirus)

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Plan for what could happen in the future through your Pandemic Plan

Respond to what is currently happening in your school, early learning service or community

Regularly communicate with your staff, students, children and community

Get in touch if you have any questions – Healthline 0800 3585453

Focus on prevention

- wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds and dry thoroughly
- avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands
- avoid sharing anything that has come in contact with saliva, whether in your living or social environments
- stay home when you are sick and seek medical attention
- cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue, then throw the tissue in the rubbish
- get adequate sleep and eat well-balanced meals to ensure a healthy immune system.
- If someone is sick encourage them to seek medical attention from their doctor immediately.

COMMUNITY TUTOR READERS



Community Tutor Reading started last week. We have spaces for tutors on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. If you are able to spare 1 ¼ hours once a week to read with our tamariki please leave a message at the office for Mrs Silk-Martelli, who will get back to you.

BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL DROP OFF/PICK UP

Thank you to those parents who have been making sensible and safe driving choices before and after school. Unfortunately, we are still observing some dangerous and irresponsible behaviours. We will continue sending photos of cars driving dangerously, parking on berms and double parking and parking over driveways to the Police and Hutt City Council for those who repeatedly ignore our requests to help keep everyone safe before and after school. We are leaving it up to them whether to issue tickets to these people.



It is up to all of us to keep our children safe. There is parking on all of the streets around the school, not just on Kairimu Street.

PASIFIKA AIGA FONO



Thank you to the parents and whanau who joined in our Fono last night. We will be sharing the minutes of the meeting with our Pasifika families and look forward to our next gathering.

SWIMMING LESSONS – STOKES VALLEY POOL

We would like to thank the team at Stokes Valley Pool for the good work they have done with our tamariki over the 2 weeks of swimming lessons. It has been a busy time getting to and from the pool, along with everything else that is happening in the school programme, but such a valuable learning experience for everyone



RIPPA RUGBY

We have a primary school Rippa Rugby tournament coming up on Tuesday the 24th of March. This is for years 3-6. I'm looking at possibly entering a Yr 3-4 mixed team and a Yr 5-6 mixed team. However, I have no idea how to play Rippa so will only enter teams if we have some amazing parents who would be willing to run a couple of trainings and come on the day to coach the teams. This is an event run by WRFU. If you are interested in coaching a team for this event, please contact Whaea Kataraina



TOUGH GUY AND GAL CHALLENGE

This event is back on again. It will be held on the 20th of May at Wainuiomata, Coast Road. This is an awesome muddy event. If you don't know what this event is about check out the Junior Tough Guy and Gal website. <https://eventpromotions.co.nz/tough-guy-gal-ch.../wellington/...>

This event is \$25 per student. (We will try and get enough parents to transport- otherwise there will be another cost for buses, which are very expensive at the moment.)

If your child (year 3-6) is interested in participating please fill in the reply slip on this newsletter and I'll send a registration form home. Last registrations and money will be due on 9th of April.

Ngaa mihi Kataraina

TERM 2 BASKETBALL

Kia Ora,

The time has come to gather interest for basketball for Term 2.

Basketball is for years 1-2, 3-4, 5-6.

Year 1-2 is played on **Fridays** (8 May – 26th June)

Year 3-4 is played **Mondays** (4 May – 22nd June)

Year 5-6 is played **Thursday** (7 May – 25 June)

The cost for basketball is \$25 per student or free if you coach. In order to have teams we need 10 committed players per team, a coach and manager. If you need help with transport let me know and I can see if something can be arranged.

Ngā mihi

Kataraina



HEAD LICE

We have been informed by some parents that their children have headlice. We ask that you please check your children's hair, especially if you notice them scratching. Information about preventing the spread of headlice can be found at the following website

<https://www.kidshealth.org.nz/head-lice>. We have some treatment products available at school.

Please contact the school office for advice and support.

March is Here – Let's Get Movin'!

It is great to see so many children walk, scooter, and bike to school. Over the next 2 weeks we



Māehe Manawa Ora
Movin' March

2-31 March 2020 | movinmarch.com

greater WELLINGTON
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Te Pahi Mātua Tāiao



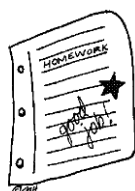
Stokes
Valley Road

encourage those driving to use a "Park and Stride" from Pou locations to walk the last few hundred metres or so to school. This helps ease congestion and get kids active before the school day AND we'll stamp your passports at the gate! **We have Pou located on Stokes Valley Road and Kennedy Grove.** Explore the [website](#) for tips and check out the [parents](#) page on how to build active travel into your daily routine.



Kennedy
Grove

STUDY CENTRE



Study Centre is underway, and we have a keen group of children taking part in this every day. This provides an opportunity for the tamariki to do a little extra work each day across areas of the curriculum. You can enroll your child/children in one or more of these sessions.

If you would like your child to attend Study Centre and they are **Year 4 upwards**, then please contact the office for an enrolment form. Sessions run for 1 hour after school finishes.

HATS & WATER BOTTLES



It is fantastic to see so many children with hats on as we begin the new school year. Please make sure your child has a sunhat to keep at school, clearly named on the hat so any ownership disputes can be quickly resolved. We encourage children to bring named water bottles with them to help keep them hydrated during the day.



50 cent STALLS



Our Year six students are running 50 cent stalls every Friday at morning teatime. Buying items, supports year six children to raise money to go to camp. Please be mindful that items are all 50 cents so \$2 is the limit.

Dave Lamont, Principal

Please complete the return forms on the last page.

WHAT'S COMING UP THIS TERM?

Week Six

- Wednesday 11 Mar: Board of Trustees Meeting, 7.00pm in the staffroom
- Thursday 12 Mar: Weetbix Tryathlon (all entries have been received for this event)

Week Seven and beyond

- Monday 16 Mar: Taita College students sports sessions with Rooms 10 & 11
- Tuesday 17 Mar: 2nd snorkel for Rms 11 & 14
- Thursday 19 Mar: Year 5 & 6 Sports Festival for selected students
- Tuesday 24 Mar: Room 13 at Te Papa
- Tuesday 24 Mar: Rippa Rugby Tournament TBC
- Friday 27 Mar: Movin' March Fancy Feet Day
- Wednesday 8 April: Board of Trustees Meeting, 7.00pm in the staffroom
- Thursday 9 April: Last day of Term One. School finishes at 3pm.
- Mon 27 April: **ANZAC Day observed – SCHOOL CLOSED**
- Tuesday 28 April: Term Two starts
- Friday 15 May: **TEACHER ONLY DAY – LITERACY PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT – KCC WILL BE OPEN THIS DAY**

RETURN FORM

KORAUNUI SCHOOL BASKETBALL TEAMS -TERM 2

My child: _____ Rm: _____ Year: _____
would like to play basketball.



I can/can't coach a team

I can/can't manage a team

Name: _____

Phone: _____

TOUGH GUY AND GIRL CHALLENGE

I am interested in my child In Room/te Ruma taking part in the Tough Guy and Girl Challenge this year and would like a registration form. _____

Parent Name: _____ Phone: _____