

NEWSLETTER FOUR, TERM TWO

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KIA ORA, TALOFA LAVA, AND WELCOME.

Welcome to the new children and their whanau who are joining our school this week ... Alumeci and Alexus.

We had a fantastic first week back at school last week and it was great to see the children reconnecting with each other and wanting to get into their mahi. We saw the majority of children demonstrating the KORAU values over the week and this helped create a positive and happy envoiroment for everyone.

On Friday we held our first whole school Zoombly. As we are not able to gather together as a whole school yet we Zoomed in from around the school to celebrate the week that was. We would like to congratulate the following children who received KORAU certificates for displaying the KORAU values consistently during the week. Bodhi, Mark-John, Keungapoko, Lyle, Ezhan, Anaise, Haven, Rawiri, Tipene, Unique, Devlin, Pheanix, Maniapoto, Mylachai, Kichina, Annabelle, Sione, Anasone, Brianna, Yazme, Serena, Medelyn, All Year 6 students in Room 14, Brooke, Khalani, Caileigh.

We would like to thank parents/caregivers and whanau for supporting us with the drop off and pick up of children. We had a few teething problems with some who hadn't read the information about our plans to avoid congestion at these times, but apart from that we felt it went very smoothly.

<u>Attendance</u> – it is expected that <u>ALL</u> children, <u>unless they have severe underlying</u> <u>medical conditions that prevent them from attending school under Alert Level 2</u>, will now be attending school every day. For children not attending and for those parents who do not contact us about absences we will be following the normal procedures from this point forward. As usual parents need to contact the office if children are absent.

<u>School Gates</u> – thank you to those parents/caregivers and whanau who have been following the guidelines for dropping off and picking up children each day. It looks like we will be in Alert Level 2 for at least the next 4 weeks and we will be continuing with this process for drop off and pick up during this time.

Unfortunately, we have had someone break the gate at the entrance that is locked at Koraunui Kindergarten and we have noticed people coming through here rather than coming to the main gate at the start of the day. This gate has now been chained shut.



WE ARE KEEPING GATES LOCKED FOR THE SAFETY OF STAFF AND CHILDREN AND SO WE CAN CONTACT TRACE PEOPLE ON SITE SHOULD WE NEED TOO. Please be responsible and follow the guidelines we have in place.

<u>Samoan Language Week 24 – 30 May</u> - Samoa Language Week



celebrates the identity, language, and culture of students from Samoa and students whose families are from Samoa; supporting this group of learners to engage and achieve success. This special week helps all New Zealanders journey towards shared cultural

understandings.

Anasone, Alita and Manifi are celebrating by wearing their dresses today. They look fantastic ©

<u>School Photos</u> – these are planned for Monday 15 June at 9.00am. Due to physical distancing guidelines in place under Alert Level 2, we may have to look at alternate ways of having class photos taken this year. We will work with the photographers to see how we can get class photos taken. Order envelopes will be available from the office from next Monday.

CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19 ALERT LEVEL 2 GUIDELINES

Start of Day Drop off

- All children are to come in through the front gate in the morning. <u>All other gates</u> will be locked during the day. We are asking all parents to remain outside the school gates.
- <u>Any adult or family member who NEEDS to come on site must register</u> using either the COVID-19 Register and QR code provided or on the paper register. The COVID-19 register can be downloaded at https://covidregister.nz. This is for contact tracing purposes. All information will be held at the school.
- Any children arriving at school between 8.30-9.00am will need to go straight to their classroom. Any children arriving after 9.00am will need to check in at the office.

End of Day Pick-up

• At the end of the day we will have three pick up points to avoid congestion and to help us manage distancing at school. Pick up for family groupings - the oldest child to collect siblings and then go to the

youngest child's collection point.

- Main School Gate: Kowhai Block Rooms 8, 9, 10 & 11
- Montgomery Street "Matt's Gate" Rooms 12, 13, 14 & 15
- Hall Entrance Gate Rooms 23, 4 & 5



A teacher will be on the gate10 minutes before school finishes to help manage children leaving the school grounds.

<u>Sick children are to stay at home</u> – if they have a sniffle, headache, cough or feeling slightly unwell children need to remain at home and parents contact school. If children display any signs of illness at school, we will put a face mask on them, put them in the medical room and contact parents/caregivers to come and pick them up.

Classroom Hygiene

- classrooms are being arranged to cater for Moist Breath Zone distancing. We are
 doing all we can to provide spaces and environments where children have
 appropriate space in classrooms and in the school grounds.
- all classrooms have been supplied with disinfectant, bars of soap, liquid soap, hand sanitizer and towels.
- we will follow the Ministry of Education and Ministry of Health guidelines around distancing, using the "Moist Breath Zone" rule for distancing. A video has been produced for children coming back to school.
 https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yZvtoVrykb8&feature=youtu.be Please show this to your children and talk with them about keeping distance to help everyone stay well.

<u>**Drinking fountains**</u> – these will remain closed while we are in Alert Level 2. Children are to bring named water bottles to school.

THERE IS TO BE NO SHARING OF FOOD OR DRINKS AT SCHOOL.

General Information

<u>Library Books and Classroom Reading Books</u> – thank you to everyone who has returned books to school. There is still a large number of books in homes. Can these now all be returned to school so we can clean and process them.



<u>Study Centre</u> –Study Centre will resume on next week **Tuesday 2 June** for those who enrolled in Term 1. If you wish to enroll your child/children who are Year 4, 5 or 6 please contact the office.



2.00pm Club – This will run as usual on Wednesday and Friday

<u>50 Cent Stalls</u> – there will be no 50 cent stalls for the time being. We will review this as we move through Alert Level 2.



<u>Headlice</u> — we are asking that all parents/caregivers check their children for headlice. We are hoping that over the lockdown period, the cycle of headlice has been broken and we can have a headlice free winter. If you need any support or have any questions, please contact the school office or go to this website https://www.kidshealth.org.nz/head-lice

<u>Caretaker Vacancy</u> – the Board of Trustees has advertised the caretaker's position over the last two weeks in the Hutt News and Upper Hutt Leader. If anyone is interested in finding out more about this position please contact Dave Lamont on principal@koraunui.school.nz. Applications close this Friday 29 May at 4.00pm.

WHATS COMING UP THIS TERM?

Week Eight

- Monday 1 June: **QUEENS BIRTHDAY SCHOOL CLOSED**
- Wednesday 3 June: Room 1213 Mountains to Sea team visiting the class

Week Nine

• Wednesday 10 June: Board of Trustees Meeting, 7.00pm in the staffroom Thursday 11 June: Room 1213 Mountains to Sea team visiting the class

Week Ten

• Monday 15 June: School photos today

Week Twelve

• Friday 3 July: End of Term 2

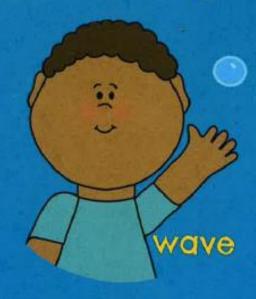
Term 3

Week One

• Monday 20 July: Start of Term 3

Unite against

safe ways to connect with others









pat on the back







air bump