

Poipoia te kakano kia puawai - Nurture the seed and it will thrive

NEWSLETTER NINE, 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 Garrett and Saleema.

We are nearing the end of a term that none of us have ever experienced before and hopefully never will again. The past few months have been challenging for us all and we have all had to learn to live in a different way, even if things do feel more like normal again at the moment. On behalf of our staff I would like to thank our school community for the support you have provided us and the children before, during and after lockdown. While there have been many challenges for us all, there have been many positives that have come from this time that will hopefully help us manage ourselves in times to come. Everyone is ready for a well-deserved break and I wish you all a happy and safe holiday break over the next two weeks.

Remembering Matua Matt -- It was a privilege to join



with Matua Matt's whanau, both in person and via Zoom, last Friday as we remembered him and celebrated his time with us at Koraunui School. We were joined by some past staff and students and it was great to hear our hall filled with laughter and beautiful singing. We



are so proud of the way the children honoured Matua Matt with their singing and KORAU values. We concluded our gathering with the planting of a tree on the bank in memory of Matua Matt.

CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19 ALERT LEVEL 1 GUIDELINES

Thank you to those parents/caregivers who are continuing to support us with our allocated pick up processes that we have in place. This is helping to keep children safe after school and reducing congestion on Kairimu Street. **To those who**

are parking on yellow lines, in driveways, on the wrong side of the road facing oncoming traffic, double parking on the road, parking on the berms next to the top courts, parking on the opposite side of the road and calling children across the road – not using the crossing and doing U-turns outside school, these are irresponsible and dangerous behaviours that will lead to someone being hurt. <u>PLEASE STOP IT!</u>

<u>The gate next to Koraunui Kindy will remain locked for health & safety reasons.</u> Gates on Kairimu Street and Montgomery Street will now be unlocked.

Thank you to the parents/caregivers who are keeping their sick children at home. This is helping keep our school healthy and safe. We are continuing to ask that even if children are feeling slightly unwell they need to remain at home and parents contact school. <u>We ask that parents take their children to see the doctor if they are showing any symptoms linked to COVID-19 such as a fever, cough, sore throat, loss of taste or smell.</u>

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.

<u>New School Caretaker</u> – We welcome our new caretaker Mr Bruce Kelly who began as our new caretaker yesterday. Bruce comes with a wide range of skills from previous positions he has held which are well suited to the wide-ranging jobs a caretaker is faced with on a daily basis. We look forward to working with Bruce as he settles into this role and becomes a part of our Koraunui School community.





<u>Study Centre</u> – there will be no study centre this week.

<u>Attendance</u> – We have had between 75-82% attendance at school over the past week. Thank you to parents/caregivers who have notified us of their childrens absence

Lucky Book Club –Due to COVID-19 <u>only online orders are being taken</u> <u>for orders</u>. No cash will be accepted at school. All orders for Term 2 need to be in by this Friday 3 July.



50 Cent Stalls – no 50 cent stalls this week.

Enrolments

Do you have or know of any 5-year old children who are starting school this year? New student enrolment forms are available at the office or on our website under "About us". If you require further information, please contact the office on 939 9707 or message us on our school website or Facebook page.



<u>Term 3 Bubble Festival</u>

In week one next term we will be holding a bubble festival as a part of the school learning programme. If you have any of the following please drop them into school.

- Clean ice cream containers
- Clean Yogurt pottles
- Clean newsprint newspaper (not the shiny stuff)
- Old towels
- Old blankets (2 or 3)



BUBBLE FESTIVAL

In the first week of Term 3 Koraunui School will be holding, once again, our fabulous Bubble Festival. We need helpers at some of the stations during the week, PLEASE, especially on Thursday and Friday. If you are able to spare some time during this week to help out, please indicate on the space below. We'd love to see you!

Day(s) of the week: Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday (please circle)

Morning/Afternoon (please circle one or both)

Name:

Phone number:

WHATS COMING UP THIS TERM?

Week Twelve

- Wednesday 1 July: School Cross Country
- Wednesday 1 July: Board of Trustees Meeting
- Thursday 2 July: End of Term Fun Activity Day
- Friday 3 July: End of Term 2

<u>Term 3</u>

- Monday 20 July: Start of Term 3
- Monday 20 July: Bubble Festival Week
- 29 July: Year 6 visit to AIS 9.30am 2.00pm
- Friday 31 July: Senior School Swimming 10.00am-1.00pm
- Monday 3 August: Cook Island Language Week
- Friday 7 August: Northern Zone Swimming Sports
- Tuesday 11 August: Northern Zone Cross Country
- Wednesday 12 August: Board of Trustees Meeting
- Tuesday 18 August: Interzone Cross Country