

Poipoia te kākano kia puawai – Nurture the seed and it will thrive

NEWSLETTER TWO TERM TWO

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KIA ORA, TALOFA LAVA, AND WELCOME.

Welcome to Te Ruhi, Abraham and their whanau who joined our school this week.

SCHOOL PHOTOS – TOMORROW WEDNESDAY 17 MAY

- Class photos begin at 9.00am. All children need to be at school by 8.30am to be a part of school photos.
- Photo order envelopes were sent home with children on Tuesday.
- Pre-orders and payment for class and individual photos can also be made online at www.lcscott.co.nz and following the instructions or by scanning this OR code.



- Envelopes do not need to be returned for photos ordered online.
- <u>Family Group photos require a separate envelope, these are also available from the office.</u> Family photo orders MUST be received prior to the photo day to ensure the photo is taken.
- Family photos begin at 8.40am in the Hall. If you have preschool or older children not at Koraunui School who you wish to be included in family photos, please be at school before 8.30am.
- All orders and money need to be handed to the office or completed on-line by today
 Tuesday 16 May.

SCHOOL SINGING

On Monday we began our week with whole school singing. During the time we were under COVID restrictions we lost the ability to come together and sing waiata and songs we know along with learning new ones. This was a wonderful way to start the week and lifted the spirits of everyone, as our tamariki sang so well. It was great to see tamariki offering to come and lead the school in karakia and waiata. We will look to continue this each week.

PINK SHIRT DAY - FRIDAY 19 MAY

Wear a pink shirt or bring a white t-shirt if you want to get it printed in pink – on the deck outside Room 7.

By celebrating Pink Shirt Day our Kura will be a part of a powerful movement to spread aroha and kindness and end bullying. The Mental Health Foundation runs Pink Shirt Day



to raise awareness about bullying prevention and provides free resources to help make our schools safe and inclusive for everyone.

Information about this day can be found here https://www.pinkshirtday.org.nz/

YEAR 6 CAMP HUI – WEDNESDAY 24 MAY

We will be holding a hui for parents and Year 6 students about camp planned for 7-10 November. This will be an opportunity for us to share information and forms about camp and answer any questions parents or students have. This will be held in the staffroom at 5.30pm.

YEAR 4-6 SENIOR CROSS COUNTRY

Last Monday we held our Year 4-6 senior cross country. The weather held out for us and it was great to see everyone taking part put their best effort into this event. We are really proud of the way tamariki persevered and challenged themselves to do the best they could.

NORTHERN ZONE CROSS COUNTRY - TUESDAY 30th MAY

Tamariki who qualified for the Northern Zone event this year will be notified shortly. We will require some parent help with this event. Please contact the school office if you can help out.

STEMM CHALLENGE

Today we had two teams of Year 6 students taking part in the Lower Hutt STEMM Student challenge at the Lower Hutt Town Hall. This is a wonderful opportunity for them to use and grow their knowledge and understanding of Science, Technology, Engineering, Maths and Manufacturing. It is great to see our Year 6 leaders problem solving together and representing our school so well.







KORAU VALUES

We have noticed some behaviours with some of the children around the school over the past 2 weeks. We are encouraging tamariki to show how KORAU values can be demonstrated through words and actions around the school. These are the basis on how we

build relationships and work together. Our KORAU values are

Kind/Manaakitanga We show Kindness to people and the environment.

Own/Rangatiratanga We Own our own behaviour.

Respect/Whakaute We Respect the rules, people, and the school.

Aspire/Wawata We do quality work and strive for excellence.

Unite/Whanaungatanga We work as a team / whanau. We are inclusive.



SCIENCE WEEK

We all had a fantastic time experimenting and taking part in a wide range of different science learning activities last week during Science Week. We had our science specialist teacher Carol Brieseman working in our classes throughout the week, science kits from the House of Science and activities made by the teachers to keep everyone engaged in exciting learning. We also held a Family Fun Science Evening on Thursday. We were delighted with the turnout and it was great to see parents/whānau and children taking part in science activities together. Lots of fun was had by all and there was lots of new learning. Thank you to Whaea Liz for all of the work she put into this week, so it was successful and to our staff who ran the science activities.





















BOARD OF TRUSTEES POLICY DOCUMENTATION



Koraunui School



As a part of this term policy review, our Board of Trustees is seeking parent and school community input about **Education Outside the Classroom**

(EOTC). Instructions are below for how to access the review section of the Schooldocs site.

The close off date for comments and input is Wednesday14 June 2023.

Instructions for parents to access policy review.

- 1. Visit the website https://koraunui.schooldocs.co.nz/1893.htm
- 2. Enter the username (koraunui) and password (koraunui).
- 3. Follow the link to the relevant policy as listed.
- 4. Read the policy.
- 5. Click the **Start your review** button at the top right-hand corner of the page.
- 6. Select the reviewer type.
- 7. Enter your name (optional).
- 8. Follow the prompts to show that you've read the topic and enter your feedback if you'd like to comment.
- 9. Agree to the privacy statement and click "Submit review".

MEET THE TEACHER/GOAL-SETTING MEETINGS



These meetings will be held Tuesday 6th and Wednesday 7th of June. These will be held for every child and their whanau. Please put aside some time to come to this very important meeting with your child.



Online booking has been set up. Access for this online is as follows:

- Now bookings are open, you need to go to https://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz/ and enter the event code https://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz/ and event code https://www.schooli
- For emails and websites, use this link: https://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz/code/stt6p

SPORTS TEAMS FEES

With basketball and netball seasons now underway, teams are getting into their practices and games.

This year we have adopted the approach that if fees are not paid then the children cannot play as we continue to have fees that are not paid. Part of the commitment of children playing sport is that parents/whanau pay the sports fees. This is not for the school to do. Invoices have been sent out to parents with outstanding school and sports fees. All outstanding school and sports fees will need to be paid for your children to play sports. If you would like to discuss paying off outstanding fees, please contact the school office.



COVID CASES AT SCHOOL and RAT's

We have had a couple more cases of COVID-19 at school this week. This is a reminder to us all that COVID is still in the community and as the weather changes we all need to keep up with our hygiene practices and stay home if we are feeling unwell.



If anyone needs RATs, please contact the school office as we have a supply that we can distribute to school whanau who need to carry out COVID tests.

Koraunui Stokes Valley Community Hub also has a good supply of RATs available to the community should they need them.



SCHOOL INVOICES

This week invoices were <u>emailed home</u>. We are trialling this approach as we have been informed that in some instances invoices sent home with children have not been passed on. During the year we are often required to pay for activities and fees in advance and the school carries this debt until payments are made by parents so we ask invoices are paid in a timely manner. If you would like to discuss your

invoice, please contact the school office.

EMAIL ADDRESSES

We have noticed that we do not have email addresses for some parents. Please make sure we have all your details and these are up to date, especially if you have changed your phone number.

50 cent STALLS



50 cent stalls are run by our Year 6 students as a part of their camp fundraising and held every Friday at morning teatime. Please be mindful that items are all 50 cents so \$2 is the limit per child.

50 cent stalls will be in the hall (or on the Kowhai Block deck if it is a nice day) at morning teatime every Friday.

BANK ACCOUNTS

Many families keep a small bank account with the school office to pay for items, event or sports fees during the year. If you would like to do this, please come and talk to Maree and she will show you how it works.

Some families have set up a regular bank credit to do the same thing. If you wish to do this, the lovely office ladies will help with this. Our account is Koraunui School Board of Trustees 12 3478-0015483-00

RUBBISH AND PACKAGING



As a part of the work we do as an Enviroschool, working to take care of our school and local environment, we are asking that all packaging that comes into school with children is returned home each day unless a class is doing a specific task around packaging. It would be fantastic to see no rubbish

blowing around our school grounds.

CONTACT DETAILS

It is important that we have accurate and up-to-date contacts for safety and emergencies. If any details have changed for you, please contact the office and let them know.

KORAUNUI SCHOOL ENROLMENTS

Do you have or know of any 5-year-old children who are starting school this year or next 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, email office@koraunui.school.nz. We are happy to talk with parents about our school and show them round so they can get a feel for how we operate.

WHATS COMING UP THIS TERM?

TERM 2

Week 4

- Wednesday 17 May: School photos
- Friday 19 May: Pink Shirt Day Promote anti bullying

Week 5

- Monday 22 May: Pukutākaro starts at school this week
- Wednesday 24 May: Year 6 Camp Hui for parents and tamariki. Starts 5.30pm

Week 6

- Samoan Language week
- Monday 29 May: Whanau Hui in the staffroom 6.00pm
- Tuesday 30 May: Northern Zone Cross Country for tamariki who qualify

Week 7

- Monday 5 June: Kings Birthday SCHOOL CLOSED TODAY
- Tuesday 6 June: Parent interviews 3.20-6.00pm
- Wednesday 7 June: Parent interviews 2.20-6.00pm
- Wednesday June 7: Junior School Cross Country TBC

Week 8

• Wednesday 14 June: Board of Trustees Meeting, 7.00pm in the staffroom

Week 9

- Huttfest week
- Friday 30 June: End of Term 2

Term 3

• Monday 17 July: Start of Term 3

Dave Lamont

Principal