

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

NEWSLETTER FOUR TERM THREE

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KIA ORA, TALOFA LAVA, AND WELCOME.

Welcome to Kenji and his whanau who joined our school last week.

KOWHAI BLOCK UPGRADE

We have had a busy week getting organized for the contractors to begin their work later this week. Our classes have moved into their new spaces (Room 9 from today), we have sent some surplus furniture and desks to Earthlink and have a big skip on site to get rid of old, broken and obsolete items that we have been stashing away over the years.

Room 12 (Whaea Ana's class is now in the library)

Room 8 (Whaea Lily's class is now in Room 12)

Room 9 (Whaea Ruiha and Whaea Louisa's class is now in Room 1)

This will be a change for tamariki and we are supporting them to make the transition to their new learning spaces.

We plan to set up a blog so we can keep everyone up to date with the progress throughout the project.



SPIKE THE TUATARA VISIT TO SCHOOL

Last week Sue from Victoria University brought Spike the Tuatara for some of our senior students to meet. This was an incredible experience for them, especially as they all got to touch her and find out more about her and how she lives.

Tiara wrote "Guess what? Today I got to see a Tuatara for the first time and its name was Spike. It was a female and we got to pat it. Spike is 37 years old.

Amber wrote "Today I got to touch a real-life Tuatara and I learnt some amazing facts like, when a bird or bigger animal than a Tuatara bites off the Tuataras tail, weirdly they can regrow their tails. Also, when it gets bitten off, no blood or anything will come out. Tuataras can live up to 100 years.





TREVOR THE TROLL

Trevor the Troll from the Three Billy Goats Gruff story made a surprise visit to Room 5 yesterday where he shared some stories about his life and his world with them before they began their writing activity. It seems he was not as gruff and scary as he thought he was. He also popped into Rooms 23 & 4 to say hello to everyone in these rooms too.



MRS SILK-MARTELLI'S BOOK REVIEWED

Our very own Mrs Silk-Martelli has had the book she wrote "Mrs Crabolli's Curious Casseroles" featured in Unity Books reviews recently. See below for what they thought of her book. ③ We have a copy of this book in the library for anyone who wants to read. If you would like to buy a copy please let us know at the school office. A great read for only \$18 ③



Unity Books review. Our bookseller Eden has read two incredible new children's books recently *Check out their reviews below:

Mrs Crabolli's Curious Casseroles by Denise Silk-Martelli: From local legend Denise Silk-Martelli, this is the perfect book for early readers. James's witchy old neighbour mutters in a strange language and is almost certainly eating the neighbourhood pets. Is she as sinister as she seems? Full of laughs and frights - an utter delight! <u>#unitybookswgtn</u> <u>#unitystaffpicks</u>

DANCE SESSIONS

We were lucky enough to have some performers from Society Entertainment come and teach the tamariki and kaiako some new moves over the last couple of days. It was great to see the tamariki enjoying themselves and being expressive.



COOKING WITH WHAEA DEBBIE

We are lucky to have Whaea Debbie come in and cook every Wednesday with some of our tamariki. Last week they made a scrummy World War 2 Date Cake. It is great to see tamariki enjoy these sessions so much and taste their food creations each week.



50 cent STALLS



50 cent stalls will be on every Friday at morning teatime and are run by our Year 6 students as a part of their camp fundraising. Please be mindful that items are all

50 cents so \$2 is the limit per child.

50 cent stalls will be on the in the hall for the rest of this term.

YEAR 6 AVALON INTERMEDIATE PARENT EVENING

Enrolments for 2024 are open. If you are intending on sending your children there next year, please let them know so they can

Avalon Intermediate School

begin their planning for 2024. If you require any information or would like to talk with someone about enrolment at Avalon Intermediate contact them on 04 567 7453 or contact our school office and we can help. We have some prospectus' in our office.

KORAU VALUES

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/WhanaungatangaWe work as a team / whanau. We are inclusive.	



BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the strategic review survey. At the meeting last night, we went through the responses and draft goals and objectives that have been created from the information we received. We will put these out to our school community shortly for comment. This will provide the opportunity for comment and input into the goals before they are finalized for the 2024 year. The goals will then guide our work for the next 2 years through until the next Board election.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES POLICY DOCUMENTATION





This site contains Koraunui School's Policies and Procedures along with useful checklists and forms

As a part of this term policy review, our Board of Trustees is seeking parent and school community input about Inclusive Education, Māori Educational Success, Learning Support, Instructions are below for how to access the review section of the Schooldocs site.

The close off date for comments and input is Friday 1 September 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".
- 10.If you don't have internet access, school office staff can provide you with printed copies of the policy and a review form.

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 and combs available at school. Please contact the school office for advice and support.

BEE HEALTHY INFORMATION



The Bee Healthy Dental Hub next to Koraunui School will be closed during Term 3. For any children that require an appointment for pain or discomfort, or wish to have treatment planned over Term 3, please contact Naenae Dental Hub in Walters Street. Phone 04 587 2848 or 0800 825 583.

Yearly examinations and treatments will resume in Term 4.



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.

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.

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.

WHATS COMING UP THIS TERM?

TERM 3

Week 5

• Thursday 17 August: Year 6 students on World of Waste trip – Group 2

Week 6

- Tuesday 22 August: Ruma 8 & 9 trip to Zealandia
- Wednesday 23 August: Year 6 Ki O Rahi School exchange at Tui Glen School at 10.30am.
- Friday 1 September: Pasifika Fundraiser TBC

Week 7

• Tuesday 29 August: Ruma 8 & 12 trip to Te Wharewaka City to Sea Tour and Te Papa Week 8

• Friday 8 September: Year 6 Runathon/Walkathon 10.30-11.30am at school Week 9

- Monday 11 September: Whole School Cricket Sessions with Wellington Cricket
- Tuesday 12 September: Whole School Cricket Sessions with Wellington Cricket
- Wednesday 13 September: Pasifika Group performing at Dance Splash, Michael Fowler Centre 7.30pm

Week 10

• Friday 22 September: Last day of Term 3

Dave Lamont Principal

ZOOM PHARMACY MINOR AILMENT SERVICE

Te Whatu Ora Minor Ailment Scheme has been put in place to ensure that students and families have access to free advice, free medicines and with the ZOOM Pharmacy service free delivery to their home.

Any child under the age of 14 and any family members with similar symptoms are able to receive this service completely free!

To learn more about who is eligible and what conditions are funded you can visit (<u>http://www.zoompharmacy.co.nz/mas</u>)

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 <u>office@koraunui.school.nz</u>. We are happy to talk with parents about our school and show them round so they can get a feel for how we operate. **WELLNESS DAY**

Gain Health Centre, Unichem Upper Hutt and Orongomai Marae have worked together to organise a 'Wellness Day" event on Saturday 2 September 2023 from 9.00am to 3.00pm for the wider Upper Hutt Community.

Together they would like to provide free health and wellbeing services to the Upper Hutt and wider community in an environment where the patients/Whanau feel comfortable and safe. The event location will be at Orongomai Marae in Upper Hutt.

They are expecting this to be a large event with multiple health agencies/organizations being involved and aim to increase awareness of the health resources and services available to the community.

Please see the end of this newsletter for a flyer attached and feel free to share with others.



Rá Whakahauora! Wellness Dav

Nau mai haere mai ki Ōrongomai 1 Railway avenue Upper Hutt 2 September 2023

9.00am to 3.00pm

You are all welcome to attend! Come join a day celebrating health and wellbeing **free of charge**.

Services available on the day

- All New Zealand Scheduled Vaccines
- Medication Reviews
- Blood Pressure, blood sugar checks
- Best start Pregnancy and Six Week Pepi checks
- Cervical Screening
- Diabetes, Gout, Heart Education
- Podiatrist
- Mirimiri (Traditional Maori Massage)
- Budget Advice
- Health Improvement Practitioner
- Health Coach
- Other Health Professionals







