



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

NEWSLETTER FOUR, TERM FOUR **2025**

Thursday 6th 17th November

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KIA ORA, TALOFA LAVA, MĀLŌ E LELEI, AND WELCOME



WHAT'S COMING UP IN TERM 4

Week 5

- Friday 7th November – Cultural Day – celebration of cultures at our school

Week 6

- Monday 10th November: International Languages Week

Week 7

- Tuesday 18th – Friday 21st November – Year 6 camp at Makahika OPC
- Friday 21st November: School Assembly – Kauri Team leading

Week 8

- Monday 24th November: Solomon Islands language week
- Wednesday 26th November – Board of Trustees meeting, 7.00pm in the staffroom

Week 9

- Monday 1st December: School Christmas Carols Gathering 4.00pm
- Saturday 6th December: Stokes Valley Christmas Parade – Koraunui School Float

Week 10

- Wednesday 10th December: Year 6 Graduation in the hall
- Thursday 11th December: Year 6 Mystery Bus tour
- Friday 12th December – Last day of term School finishes at 12.00pm

SCHOOL PHOTOS



School photos will be sent home from school with tamariki today. Please check at the office if you haven't received the photos you ordered.



ATTENDANCE AT SCHOOL

Below are the attendance rates for last week against the Ministry of Education headings. It makes such a positive difference to learning and friendships if tamariki are at school every day.

Ministry Headings	Attendance at school	Percentage students attend school
Regularly attending	90%+	57% of students attended school 9/10 days a fortnight
Irregular absence	80-89%	5% of students attended school 8/10 days a fortnight
Moderately absent	70-79%	18% of students attended school 7/10 days a fortnight
Chronically absent	less than 70%	19% of students attended school less than 7/10 days a fortnight

For tamariki who have been chronically absent they will miss 2 ½ weeks of school each term if they continue with this pattern of attendance.

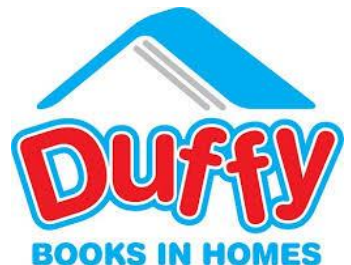
If your child can be at school, please get them here. If you need help of any type, please reach out and ask. We are here to help.

CHRISTMAS CAROL PARTY

Come and join us for a Christmas celebration on Monday 4th December at 4.00pm. This is a chance for our school community to come together, have a sing-a-long and share some kai and get into the festive spirit. See the poster towards the end of this newsletter and on our Facebook page.

DUFFY BOOK OFFER

Tamariki should have brought home a book offer from Duffy books where all books are \$5.00 each. This is a fantastic offer and a chance to purchase quality books at a great price. **All orders need to be into the school office by Friday 14 November.** The book offer pamphlet is also on the last 2 pages of this newsletter.



INTERZONE ATHLETICS

Congratulations to Tipene, Aubree, Hope, Jaxon, Belle, Ariki, Hazel, Kyra, Declan, Meci and Aria who all qualified for events at the Lower Hutt Interzone Athletics. We are really proud of their achievements and know they will represent the school with pride at this event.

CULTURAL CELEBRATION DAY

Tomorrow we are holding a celebration of the many cultures that make up our school. It would be great to see as many tamariki and whānau as possible dress in traditional clothing from their culture.

Tamariki will be taking part in activities in the morning where they will learn more about some of the cultures within our school.



ICE CREAM CONTAINERS AND LIDS

If anyone has empty containers and lids they don't want we need some at school. Please drop them into the office.

JUNIOR SCHOOL ATHLETICS DAY 2025

WOW! What beautiful weather and what an awesome festival of athletics and fun everyone had.

It was wonderful to see so many families come along and watch their children participate in all the activities. These included: Sprints and Relays, Obstacle races, Vortex, Frisbee and Quoit throwing, Beanbag Toss and the Bounce and Jump activity. The children rotated around these activities in teams. The emphasis was on participation, encouragement - and having fun. Which it certainly looked like they were having!

Here are some comments from different children.

"I really liked the Bounce and Jump because I liked bouncing a lot."

"The vortex made a whooshing sound"

"I ran fast in the sprints"

"The obstacle course was really fun"

"I was very good at throwing the beanbag"

It was a fun occasion and a great way to round off several weeks of practice.

A big thank you to all the families and friends who came along and supported their tamariki.

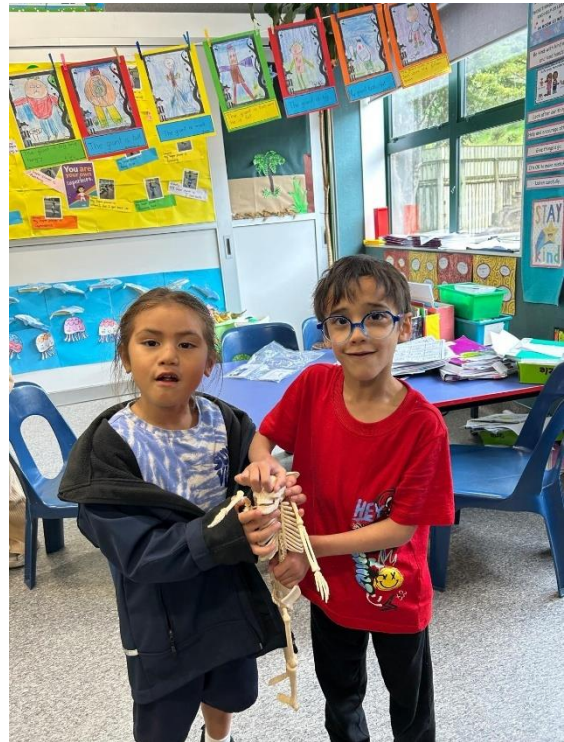


SCIENCE FUN IN ROOM 23

The tamariki of Room 23 have been making good use of the Hutt Science Kits. As a build up to Halloween we looked at the human skeleton. We met Seemore Skinless the life size skeleton. The tamariki found him fascinating and the activities from the science kits helped them learn more about the human body.

The second kit was the Fireworks Kit, which consisted of several hands-on chemistry experiments. The tamariki were more than happy to don their safety goggles and participate in some of the experiments. They were all captivated in how the flame changed colour when they added the chemicals.

It was wonderful to see how science can expand the curiosity of our young tamariki.

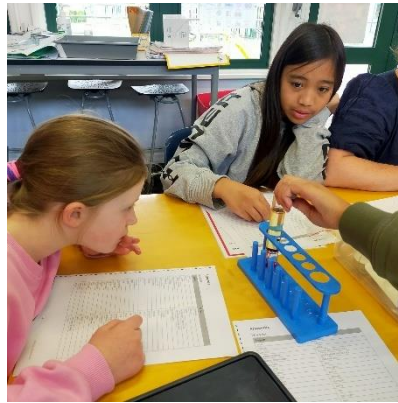


SCIENCE IN TE PUAWAITANGA O TE KAKANO

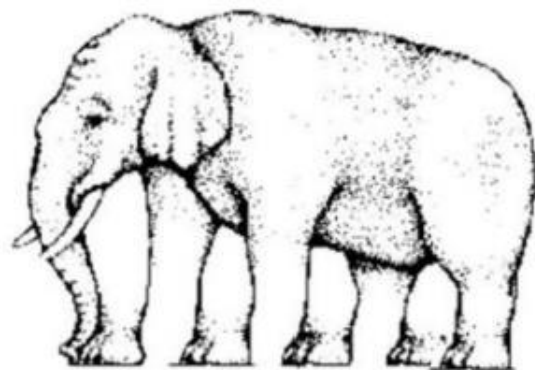
Tamariki have been experimenting with senses and reactions over the past 2 weeks as a part of the science curriculum.

Te Rūma Iwa – Exploring Our Super Senses!

Te Rūma Iwa have been investigating the fascinating world of our super senses: sight, taste, smell, and touch. Acting like real scientists, students gathered and interpreted data through hands-on experiments. They taste-tested jellybeans while blindfolded, sniffed a variety of mystery scents, explored optical illusions that trick the brain, and mapped out touch receptors on the body. The jellybean investigation was a definite highlight, sparking curiosity and lots of laughter!

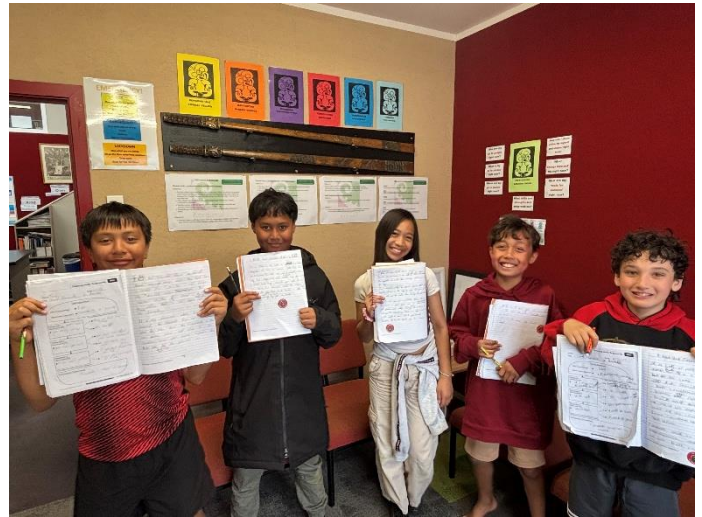


How many legs does the elephant have?



STAR WRITERS

It has been fantastic to see tamariki bringing their writing to me to share this week. It is wonderful to that they are so confident and enthusiastic about writing.



INFORMATION ABOUT THE NATIONAL MEASLES OUTBREAK

- Measles is circulating and is very contagious. There is now measles in Northland, Auckland, Manawatu, Nelson and Wellington, and we expect further cases across New Zealand.
- Watch out for symptoms – fever, cough, runny nose, sore eyes, and a blotchy rash:



[Measles – Health New Zealand](#)

- Anyone with measles symptoms must stay at home and should seek urgent advice by ringing their doctor or Healthline on 0800 611 116.
- Anyone who is closely exposed to a measles case must stay at home. Health New Zealand will provide individuals with advice on a case-by-case basis (including when they can leave quarantine at home).
- Health New Zealand is actively working with the schools that currently have measles cases.
- People are considered immune to measles after having two doses of a measles vaccine from 12 months or older, or if you have had measles before.
- For more information on measles immunity visit:

[Measles immunity – Health New Zealand](#)

SUN HATS



All children are required to wear sunhats at school during Term 4. Please make sure that all children bring named hats to wear at school to help protect them from the summer sun. We do not provide sunblock in classes as some children have had reactions in the past. Please put sunblock on your children before they leave home in the morning.

START OF 2026 DATE

Our start date for 2026 is Wednesday 4 February. We will have staff only days on the days before this.

COMMUNITY USE OF THE SCHOOL POOL



We have keys to hire out this summer. Preference will be given to families who do not have outstanding debt with our school.

KPG are taking on the hiring of the pool keys for us. If you are interested in hiring a key, please email Leigh Te Puia at leigh.tepuia@koraunui.school.nz.

50 Cent Stalls



Only Year 5 tamariki will be selling at 50 cent stalls in Term 4.

This will help them get a head start on fundraising for their Year 6 camp in 2026. 50 cent stalls will be every Friday at morning teatime outside Room 12 and 13. If wet this will be on the Kowhai Block deck. Please be mindful that items are all 50 cents so \$2 is the limit per child.



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 **Bullying and Harassment, Behaviour Management, Searches, Surrender and Retention of Property, Minimising Physical Restraint, Stand-down, Suspension and Exclusion and Staff Wellbeing and Safety**

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".

If you don't have internet access, school office staff can provide you with printed copies of the policy and a review form. **Please complete before Monday 17th November.**

SCHOOL INVOICES

Thank you to all families who make regular payments and who contact us about outstanding payments for school and sporting activities. If you haven't done so already, we ask that outstanding debts are either paid in full or regular part payments are made to clear amounts owing as soon as possible.

If invoices go unpaid, even the \$5.00 that we ask for stationery and tissues, we will find it difficult to continue providing stationery, entering sports teams and providing KCC and 2 PM Club.



SCHOOL FACEBOOK PAGE AND WEBSITE

Remember to keep up to date with what we are up to via our [school Facebook group](#) and [website](#).

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ROAD SAFETY AROUND THE SCHOOL – DRIVE SAFELY

We have noticed a number of dangerous driving behaviours such as

- driving up onto the berm to do a U-turn or drop off children
- people doing U-turns on the road around the road patrols
- using driveways to park in to collect children
- driving fast around the road patrols and school

These are all **dangerous behaviours that are putting children and pedestrians at risk**. Please drive responsibly around the school and if needed, park up the road or on Montgomery Street and walk up to school to collect your children.



TOYS

We ask that parents please remind their children that they are not to bring their toys to school. Toys coming to school can cause unneeded disruption both in class and in the playground. The only time it will be okay for toys to come to school will be if your child's teacher informs you this is okay.



2PM CLUB

All children will need to be booked into 2PM Club by [clicking here](#)

Every Wednesday and Friday we run 2pm Club between 2.00-3.00pm for children whose parents book them in for this service. The cost of 2pm Club is \$2.00/session. This is to cover the cost of supervision during these times. If your child is not coming to 2pm you need to contact the office for that specific day. If your child is on the casual list and are attending you also need to let the office know for that day.



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

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.



Ngā mihi,
Dave Lamont
Principal

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YEAR 3/4 **SCOOTER** **READY** **PROGRAMME**

**NOVEMBER 25TH +
DECEMBER 2ND**

**PLEASE BRING
OWN SCOOTER
IF YOUR CHILD
HAS ONE.**

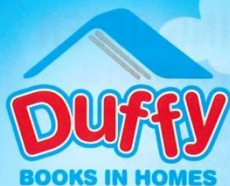


Kōraunui School **CHRISTMAS PARTY**



MONDAY 1ST DECEMBER
AT KŌRAUNUI SCHOOL

PLEASE JOIN US FOR SINGING AND KAI.
BRING A PLATE OF AFTERNOON TEA TO SHARE
STARTS AT 4PM



SCHOLASTIC
open a world of possible

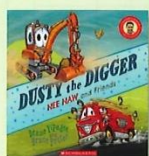
2025 DUFFY SUMMER READING

Speed up the summer reading action with this \$5 Book Offer exclusive to Duffy schools!

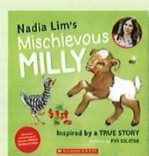
\$5 PARENT OFFER



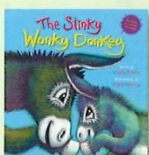
RECOMMENDED 5-6 YEARS



701. Dusty the Digger
Dusty the Digger takes action and saves the day!
\$21.99
\$5.00



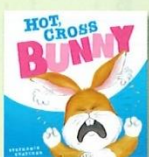
702. Nadia Lim's Mischievous MILLY
There's a new baby to take care of on the farm!
\$21.99
\$5.00



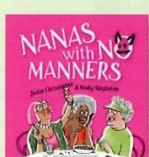
703. The Stinky Wonky Donkey
Wonky Donkey plays a Dad joke on Dinky.
\$22.99
\$5.00



704. Flit the Fantail and the Flying Flop
Flit's first flight is a floppy, floppy, fail. Can he get safely back to his nest?
\$21.99
\$5.00



705. Hot, Cross Bunny
Basil is a sweet bunny... unless he doesn't get his way!
\$21.99
\$5.00



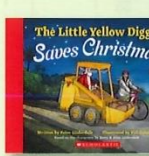
706. Nanas with No Manners
These naughty nanas have a thing or two to learn!
\$21.99
\$5.00



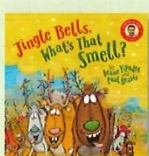
707. Stink-o-saurus
Read and sing-along to this hilarious tale of a very stinky dinosaur!
\$21.99
\$5.00



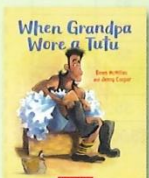
708. Stink-o-saurus Saves Christmas
Christmas is in trouble... but Stan has a plan to 'waft in' and save the day!
\$21.99
\$5.00



709. The Little Yellow Digger Saves Christmas
Our favourite digger rescues Santa and his truck full of presents.
\$21.99
\$5.00



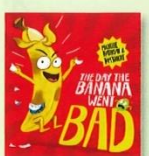
710. Jingle Bells, What's That Smell?
Santa needs his smelliest reindeer to fart his sleigh into the sky.
\$24.99
\$5.00



711. When Grandpa Wore a Tutu
Grandpa was a dairy farmer who milked cows while dreaming of dancing ballet!
\$21.99
\$5.00



712. Sun Shower
The Clouds scheme a meeting with Sun and Rain, resulting in a beautiful union... a rainbow!
\$21.99
\$5.00

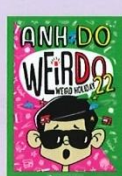


713. The Day the Banana Went Bad
When Banana is thrown into the 'reject' bin with the other mis-shapen fruit and veg, he decides that enough is enough!
\$17.99
\$5.00



714. Guess What We Are Doing Today?
Mr Luke's students share their wild ideas!
\$24.99
\$5.00

RECOMMENDED 7-9 YEARS



715. Weird Holiday
The Do family is going on a road trip!
\$16.99
\$5.00



717. Elite Spy Training
Are you ready to go undercover? Find out if you have what it takes to become a spy.
\$10.99
\$5.00



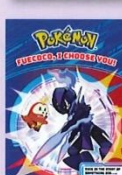
719. Hypno Ninja!
Who stole Grandma's hypno ring and can Nelson stop the mayhem?
\$17.99
\$5.00



721. Karen's Surprise
Karen's not happy to be a turkey in the school play!
\$14.99
\$5.00



723. The Thunder Egg
Three friends go on a dangerous mission to return a dragon egg and restore peace.
\$17.99
\$5.00



725. Fuecoco, I Choose You!
Liko, Roy and friends set out on an airship with Captain Pikachu!
\$11.99
\$5.00



727. Total TV Drama
Ella is chosen for a quiz team on a TV show!
\$16.99
\$5.00



716. Let the Games Begin!
Meet the real Dread Overlord Splaarghn!
\$17.99
\$5.00



718. Bin Juice of Destiny
Can Fariboy save Sparkletown from evil villains, Composto and Bin Juice?
\$16.99
\$5.00



720. Happy to Help (Eventually)
Can Tom earn enough pocket money to buy the art box of his dreams?
\$20.99
\$5.00



722. Garden Time!
Hotdog and friends enter a gardening contest!
\$16.99
\$5.00



724. Game On!
Can Jai and his friends stop the new school sabotaging the Roblox Cup?
\$17.99
\$5.00



726. Ash Climbs the Ranks
Join Ash, Pikachu and friends on an action-packed adventure through Galar.
\$11.99
\$5.00



728. Haunting of the Ghost Dragon
Can Drake and Bo find the orb and stop Zoltan before he opens the Dream Gate?
\$14.99
\$5.00

EVERYTHING IS \$5.00! Many of these books have huge savings for you!

RECOMMENDED

10-12 YEARS



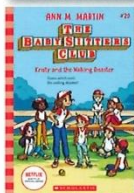
729. Ice Cold Suckerpunch
It is up to Brody to find out who stole the time capsule.
~~\$19.99~~
\$5.00



731. Farmer Freak-Out
Evil Zombie clones cause some trouble!
~~\$11.99~~
\$5.00



733. Quest for the Golden Apple
Phoenix ventures beyond the walls of her village.
~~\$19.99~~
\$5.00



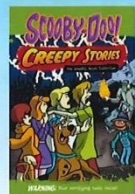
735. Kristy and the Walking Disaster
Kristy has a crush on the coach!
~~\$17.99~~
\$5.00



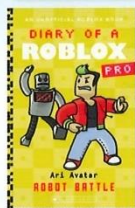
737. The Haunted Mask
Carly Beth finds the perfect Halloween mask.
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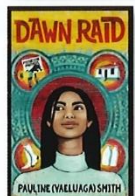
730. Hungry for More
Davy's views skyrocket when he lets Fans decide his next video...
~~\$16.99~~
\$5.00



732. Scooby-Doo! Creepy Stories
Scooby and the gang have four more spooky mysteries to solve.
~~\$18.99~~
\$5.00



734. Robot Battle
Ari and his friends are trapped in Brickmart and must battle the robots to escape.
~~\$11.99~~
\$5.00



736. Dawn Raid
An insight into the dawn raids of the 1970s, as seen through the eyes of a young girl.
~~\$20.99~~
\$5.00

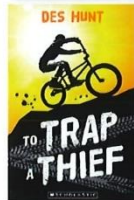


738. Squished
Avery has six siblings and just wants her own room!
~~\$21.99~~
\$5.00

ADVANCED TITLES FOR MATURE/OLDER READERS



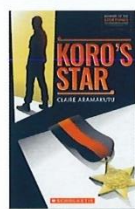
739. The Peak
Nolan joins the world's most dangerous spy school.
~~\$20.99~~
\$5.00



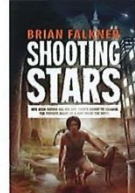
741. To Trap a Thief
Mysterious emails send Harvey and Connor on strange missions to find a prize.
~~\$19.99~~
\$5.00



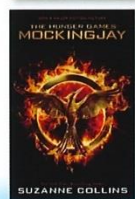
743. Winter of Fire
Can Elsha fulfil her vision of unity between the Quelled and the Chosen?
~~\$21.99~~
\$5.00



740. Koro's Star
A heart-warming, exciting, adventure story set in New Zealand in the 1960s.
~~\$20.99~~
\$5.00



742. Shooting Stars
When 15 year-old Egan's Mum doesn't return from a trip to get supplies, he heads to Auckland, but is unprepared for the tragedy that awaits.
~~\$21.99~~
\$5.00



744. Mockingjay
Katniss has survived but she's still not safe. The Capitol wants revenge.
~~\$24.99~~
\$5.00

\$5 SUMMER READING OFFER

INSTRUCTIONS TO PARENTS

Simply complete this form and return with your cash payment to your child's school by **Friday 14th November, 2025**

Your order will be sent to your child's school by Friday 5th December 2025

CHILD'S NAME

CLASS

SCHOOL

ITEM NO	TITLE ITEM	QTY	PRICE	TOTAL
701	Dusty the Digger		\$5	
702	Nadia Lim's Mischievous Milly		\$5	
703	The Stinky Wonky Donkey		\$5	
704	Flit the Fantail and the Flying Flop		\$5	
705	Hot, Cross Bunny		\$5	
706	Nanas with No Manners		\$5	
707	Stink-o-saurus		\$5	
708	Stink-o-saurus Saves Christmas		\$5	
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710	Jingle Bells, What's That Smell?		\$5	
711	When Grandpa Wore a Tutu		\$5	
712	Sun Shower		\$5	
713	The Day the Banana Went Bad		\$5	
714	Guess What We Are Doing Today?		\$5	
715	Weird Holiday		\$5	
716	Let the Games Begin!		\$5	
717	Elite Spy Training		\$5	
718	Bin Juice of Destiny		\$5	
719	Hypno Ninja!		\$5	
720	Happy to Help (Eventually)		\$5	
721	Karen's Surprise		\$5	
722	Garden Time!		\$5	
723	The Thunder Egg		\$5	
724	Game On!		\$5	
725	Fuecoco, I Choose You!		\$5	
726	Ash Climbs the Ranks		\$5	
727	Total TV Drama		\$5	
728	Haunting of the Ghost Dragon		\$5	
729	Ice Cold Suckerpunch		\$5	
730	Hungry for More		\$5	
731	Farmer Freak-Out		\$5	
732	Scooby-Doo! Creepy Stories		\$5	
733	Quest for the Golden Apple		\$5	
734	Robot Battle		\$5	
735	Kristy and the Walking Disaster		\$5	
736	Dawn Raid		\$5	
737	The Haunted Mask		\$5	
738	Squished		\$5	
739	The Peak		\$5	
740	Koro's Star		\$5	
741	To Trap a Thief		\$5	
742	Shooting Stars		\$5	
743	Winter of Fire		\$5	
744	Mockingjay		\$5	

Total Items @ \$5.00 =

Please note:

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