

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

NEWSLETTER THREE, TERM ONE

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KIA ORA, TALOFA LAVA, AND WELCOME.

Welcome to the new children and their whanau who are joined our school last week and this week Katarina and Harley.

COVID-19 ALERT LEVEL 2 INFORMATION

Thank you to everyone for supporting us and the processes we have reintroduced under Alert Level 2 to help keep everyone safe during these changing times. If you missed the message sent out yesterday please click in the link to our website below. Updates will be posted here as well as on our Facebook page and emiled to parents <u>https://koraunui.school.nz/this-is-us/covid-19/</u>.



BOARD OF TRUSTEES CHAIRPERSON

We would like to announce that Spencer Hiess has been elected as Board of Trustees Chairperson. We thank Spencer for taking on this role and look forward to working with him in this capacity over the year ahead. We would like to thank Craig Press for the way he has carried out the Board Chairperson role over the past 18 months. Craig has provided strong governance leadership, through a challenging time and we are grateful for the support he has provided our staff and school community over this time.

PICNIC/SAUSAGE SIZZLE MEET AND GREET



Due to the uncertainty that surrounds us all at the moment with COVID-19, we have decided to postpone the "Meet and greet," that was planned for this evening. We will make a decision about rescheduling this once we have a clearer



FEBRUARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

Kia ora whanau o te Koraunui,

Welcome back for the new year and a warm haere mai to our new whanau that have made the decision to have their children come to such a great school.



This is my first contact as your new Board Chairperson. I would first like to thank Craig for his work as Chair and to acknowledge the work that he has done building our capabilities as a board with his communications and strategic thought processes. While I get myself acquainted with the new role, I'll keep this communication brief, just to let you know what we discussed at our most recent meeting on the 10th of February.

With our focus always coming back to the tamariki and our vision "*Poipoia te kākano kia puawai-Nurture the seed and it will thrive*" we talked about our student achievement in reading, writing and maths during the interesting year that 2020 was. The results and information help to shape our priorities and goals for 2021 which Dave Lamont and the staff have been busy developing. These are aligned to four key strategic areas of confidence; inclusion; innovation and achievement.

We have some of our schools' policies and procedures to review in Term 1, we're interested to have your views and thoughts on our **"Home Learning"** policy. We are using School Docs for our base policies which we are tailoring to our school. Please have a read and let us know your thoughts. To access the Home Learning policy please follow the instructions on the next page of the newsletter.

We reviewed our end of year budget and confirmed our planning for this year. We will be applying for some grants to help with things such as the Year 6 camp and ICT equipment. The school donations are not required again this year and our school lunches seem to be well received by the tamariki so far. Who else is appreciating the few extra dollars and minutes in the mornings?

We have a vacancy on the Board as Janie Tito finished up last year so will initially seek expressions of interest to gauge if a bi-election or co-opting would work best to fill this gap. Please see the notes in the newsletter on how to let us know if you are interested. The NZ School Trustees Association website has some good information too: <u>https://www.nzsta.org.nz/</u> and this <u>video</u> is a good short intro.

If you have any questions about the Board in general or the school's governance, please let me know. You can reach me on <u>BoT.chair@koraunui.school.nz</u> or <u>spencer.hiess@koraunui.school.nz</u>.

Ngā mihi Spencer Hiess Chair, Board of Trustees Koraunui School

BOARD OF TRUSTEES POLICY DOCUMENTATION



As a part of this term policy review, our Board of Trustees is seeking parent and school community input about the **Home Learning Policy.** Instructions are below for how to access the review section of the Schooldocs site. **The close off date for comments and input is**

Monday 8th March.

UNDER REVIEW

Term 1, 2021

Instructions for parents to access policy review.

- 1. Visit the website <u>https://koraunui.schooldocs.co.nz/1893.htm</u>
- 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 Policy Review button at the top right-hand corner of the page.
- 6. Select the reviewer type "Parent".
- 7. Enter your name (optional).
- 8. Submit your ratings and comments.
- 9. If you don't have internet access, school office staff can provide you with printed copies of the policy and a review form.

LUCKY BOOK CLUB – <u>only online orders are being taken</u>. No cash will be accepted at school. All orders for Term 1 need to be in by Friday 26 March.

SCHOOL LUNCHES



We have had some small teething problems with the lunches provided but on the whole we are very pleased with the quality of the food and service being provided. We are in regular communication about the needs of our children and if you have any requests such as wanting the <u>dietary option</u> for your child/ren for their lunch please contact the school office at office@koraunui.school.nz and we will pass this information on. At this stage we cannot change the order from day to day so you will need to

decide whether you want the bread option or the dietary option. This is what your child will receive each day. We will keep you posted if this changes in the future.

STATIONERY

Thank you to all those who have generously made donations/contributions this year. We have had some parents give more than we have asked for and others who have paid for another family. We have a wonderful school community

- We are asking that parents/caregivers/whanau make a \$6 per child contribution that will be used for classroom tissues and paper resources.
- If your child needs a book bag this can be purchased at the school office for \$3.
- We **DO** have eftpos at school, but Cash, cheque or direct deposit into our bank account are all fine: The school account number is 12-3478-0015483-00





2pm CLUB

Every Wednesday and Friday we run 2pm club between 2.00-3.00pm for children whose parents book them in for this service. This year we are increasing the cost of 2pm Club to \$2.00/ session. This is to cover the cost of supervision during these times. If you wish to book your child/ren into 2pm Club please contact the school office.



50 CENT STALLS

We had a great start to the 50 cent stalls last week with 18 Year six students turning out to sell their goods. Please be mindful that items are all 50 cents so \$2 is the limit per child.

SWIMMING LESSONS – STOKES VALLEY POOL

Swimming lessons have begun at Stokes Valley Pool. The children are walking to the pool so need comfortable walking shoes and will go wet or fine. Please make sure the children come to school with named togs and towels this week and next. Lessons will be between Monday and Thursday. Please feel free to walk with your child's class to and from the pool if you wish.

Swimming times are as follows. Room 23 & 13: (plus R12 Y4) 10-10.30 Room 8 & 15: 10.30-11.00 Room 9 & 10: 11-11.30 Room 4 & 12: (minus Y4) 11.30-12.00 Room 5 & 11: 12-12.30

TEACHER ONLY DAYS

We have planned four teacher-only days during term time for 2021. These will be as follows.

- April 7 Taita/Stokes Valley combined staff development day
- May 14 Writing professional development
- June 4 DMIC professional development
- 22 October Reporting and assessment

DESK & CHAIR SETS

We have desk and chair sets available for our school community. Only available in sets. We are happy to take a koha if you are able, otherwise free to good homes. Please contact the office if you would like to collect some from the school.

STUDY CENTRE



Study Centre begins this week. We have had a good number of registrations already which is fantastic. This provides an opportunity for the tamariki to do a little extra work each day across areas of the curriculum. You can enroll your child/children in one or more of these sessions.

If you would like your child to attend Study Centre and they are **Year 4 upwards**, then please fill in the return form on the last page of the newsletter or contact the office for an enrolment form. Sessions run for 1 hour after school finishes Monday-Thursday. This is a free service for our students.



COMMUNITY TUTOR READING



Community Tutor Reading will be starting later this term. If you have an hour and a quarter free in your week, please consider supporting our students in their reading. You will read with five individuals for 15 minutes each. If you're interested or would like to know more, please leave a message at school for Denise

Silk-Martelli, who will get back to you.

CHILDREN'S CLOTHING

We are already finding lost property appearing around the school again, mostly un-named. Please make sure all clothing is named and check your children are bringing their clothing home with them each day. Please check the lost property for any of your children's



clothing. This is being stored in a blue wheelie bin and will be placed on the koru outside the main gates at the end of each week.

BREAKFAST CLUB



We have a Kids Kitchen-Breakfast Club with breakfast that is available from 8.00-8.30am each day for our tamariki. We need volunteers to help organize and run the Breakfast Club each morning. If you want to find out more about this, please contact the school office.

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.

HOLBORN KINDERGARTEN

Holborn Kindergarten is holding a healthy eating session for parents whose children attend early childhood centres. Please see the flyer at the end of this newsletter.

VIOLIN LESSONS

Arohanui Strings is beginning after-school orchestra classes again this year. This is open to all our previous students and to potential new students who are interested in learning to play an instrument (for free). We welcome ALL children aged 6+. For more information or to register your child please contact <u>admin@arohanuistrings.org</u>. Registration forms are available at the school office.



BANK ACCOUNTS

Many families keep a small bank account with the school office to pay for trips, lunches etc. If you would like to do this, bring in some cash and talk to Melva, Maree or Janice and they 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 123478-0015483-00

Dave Lamont Principal

Please complete the return forms on the last page.

WHATS COMING UP THIS TERM?

Week Three

- Monday-Thursday 15-18 Feb: Swimming lessons continue at Stokes Valley Pool
- Thursday 18 Feb: Year 6 Road Patroller Training with Constable Blue
- Friday 19 Feb: Assembly in the Hall at 9.00am led by Fetu o le Moana

Week Four

• Monday-Thursday 22-25 Feb: Swimming lessons continue at Stokes Valley Pool

Week Five onwards:

- Monday 1 Mar: Movin March begins
- Friday 12 March: Assembly in the Hall at 9.00am led by Kauri Team
- Wednesday 17 March: Weetbix Tryathlon
- Friday 2 April: Good Friday SCHOOL CLOSED
- Monday 5 April: Easter Monday SCHOOL CLOSED
- Tuesday 6 Apr: Easter Tuesday SCHOOL CLOSED
- Wednesday 7 April: Taita/Stokes Valley combined staff day SCHOOL CLOSED
- Friday 9 April: Assembly in the Hall at 9.00am led by Te Puawaitanga o te kākano
- Friday 16 April: End of Term 1
- Monday 3 May: Term Two starts

Winner Winner I Eat Dinner

The seven, simple, steps to success

- Gently build comfort & confidence around food

- Practical actions to do at home

- Proven strategies that really work



Picky Eating Advisor - Judith Yeabsley

Venue: Holborn Kindergarten 158 Holborn Dr, Stokes Valley

Thu 25th Feb - 7.00pm - \$ 10.00 To register: holborn@huttkindergartens.org.nz

www.theconfidenteater.com





Study Support Centre - Registration Form

This form must be printed and completed for each student attending the Study Support Centre in 2021.

- Parent(s) / Caregivers are to complete Sections One, Two and Three.
- Study Support Centres are to complete Sections Four and Five.

SECTION ONE – PARENT / CAREGIVER CONTACT DETAILS								
Parent / Caregiver /				Et	hnicities ¹	Gende	r	
Other Name						Male I	emale	
Address								
Home Phone number			Mobi Num					
How would you prefer to be contacted?			Ema Addr	-				
SECTION TWO - STUDENT DETAILS								
Name of Child / NSN ²	Male / Female	School Year	Name of School ³ (Primary &		[Please c	School Repo	ol Report⁴ ne for each subject]	
			Intermediate)		Reading⁵	Writing ⁶	Maths ⁷	
					Above	Above	Above	
					At	At	At	
					Below	Below	Below	
Student Attendance: Monday Tuesday [Please indicate which days your child will regularly attend the Study Support Wednesday Wednesday Centre during the school term(s).] Thursday Thursday								
SECTION THREE – PARENT / CAREGIVER CONSENT								
From the date that this form is signed, I:								
 confirm that I am committed to my child attending the Study Support Centres to the end of the 2021 school year give permission for my child to be photographed, filmed and videoed or have their image recorded, and that the Ministry of Education may use such imagery on their website and in their publications. I understand I am entitled to request access to such images and to take copies of them at my own cost agree that the information provided in this document is accurate and correct. 								
Parent / Caregiver / Other Name:								
Signature:								
Date:								

¹ Ethnicity is the ethnic group or groups that students and their parents/family/whānau identify with or feel they belong to. Ethnicity is self perceived and someone can affiliate to more than one ethnic group.

National Student's Number (NSN) is a unique identification number given to every student. The NSN makes it easier for the education sector to manage and share information about students in a way that protects their privacy. The name of the school the student is currently enrolled at and attending. This information is will be used by the Centre as a guide to see if the rating has improved by the end of the school year

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This 'Reading' information can be found in the student's last school term report and refers to National Standards or Ngā Whanaketanga This 'Writing information can be found in the student's last school Term report and refers to National Standards or Ngā Whanaketanga 5

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⁷ This 'Maths' information can be found in the student's last school Term report and refers to National Standards or Ngā Whanaketanga

SECTION FOUR – STUDY SUPPORT CENTRE DETAILS				
Name of Centre:	Koraunui School			
Address:	17 Kairimu St			
Address.	Stokes Valley 5019			
Phone:	04 939 9707			

SECTION FIVE – STUDY SUPPORT CENTRE CONSENT

By signing this form, I confirm that this student will be registered to attend this Study Support Centre in 2021.

Study Support Centre Director Name:	Dave Lamont (Principal)
Signature:	
Date:	

SECTION FIVE – PRIVACY STATEMENT

The personal information on this form is being collected for the purpose of enrolling your child in a Study Support Centre and providing Study Support Centre services to you and your child. It will also be used for statistical and research purposes. It will be used by the Study Support Centre Supplier and by the Ministry only for these purposes and will not be disclosed to any other person or agency except in accordance with the Privacy Act 1993. The information collected will be held by the Study Support Centre listed in Section 4 of this form and you have the right under the Privacy Act to request access to and correction of this information.