

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

## NEWSLETTER SEVEN, TERM THREE

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#### KIA ORA, TALOFA LAVA, AND WELCOME.



#### PASIFIKA AIGA / FONO

It was great to see such a good turnout at our Fono last Thursday. Thank you to our parents for the wonder kai that was brought to share and the input into conversations.

We are looking forward to Huttfest in a couple of weeks. We will provide more information about the raffle and Umu Festival in the coming weeks.

#### **HUTTFEST 2022**

We are now **2 weeks away from HuttFest** and really excited to see everyone perform on stage.

Tickets will be available from the school office until this **<u>Friday</u> <u>16th of September</u>**. Any tickets remaining after this date will be made available to those on the waiting list.



**Infant Admission is from 0-2 years** Free of charge, **General Admission is from 3+ at \$5 per ticket.** Please note **infant tickets** are also limited and you must have a ticket for entry - even though they are free.

When we have information about the Monday performance, we will inform you asap.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION – STUDENTS WILL NOT NEED PHONES ON THE DAY OF THEIR PERFORMANCE. ANY PHONES THAT ARE BROUGHT TO PREPARATIONS OR THE PERFORMANCE WILL BE HELD BY STAFF MEMBERS. Key points are below

- Our Pasifika group is performing on Monday night.
- Our Kapa Haka group is performing on Friday night.
- The show on both nights starts at 6pm.
- <u>Tickets are on sale until Friday 16<sup>th</sup> September: these can be purchased at the school office</u>
- VENUE: Walter Nash
- Address: 17 Tocker Street, Taita Lower Hutt
- Time: 6pm 8.30pm (Doors open at 5pm, General Admission)
- Walter Nash main front stadium is not available during the week of HuttFest due to maintenance, therefore the concert will now be held at the **Original Walter Nash Stadium.**
- (NOTE: Audience to use the back gym entrance in TOCKER ST)
- Please check this website out for further information and updates <u>HERE</u>
- Panui about Huttfest for both Pasifika and Kapa Haka Performance groups went home 2 weeks ago.

## KCC HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

Information about the holiday programme for the October holidays is available on our school website and towards the end of this newsletter. Please contact the office for an Expression of Interest form. **All bookings need to be into the office by Tuesday 20 September** so we can confirm programmes and staffing.



#### 50 cent STALLS



**<u>50 cent stalls are held every Friday at morning teatime in the school hall</u>. Please be mindful that items are all 50 cents so \$2 is the limit per child.** 

As a part of our COVID processes all Year 6 students selling, teachers supervising and parents/whanau coming to help must wear masks. 50 cent stalls will be in the hall at morning teatime. We will make sure the hall is well ventilated during this time.

#### STUDENT ABSENCES

We are noticing some students are regularly away from school and we have not been able to contact families about this. It is important for children to be at school every day so they can build their social and academic skills.



A child who is away from school 1 day each week will miss the equivalent of 2 weeks a term and 8 weeks (2 months) in a year.

A child who is 15 minutes late each day will miss the equivalent of 10 days of school in a year.

It is important for parents/whanau to contact the school if their children are absent and state the reason for any absences of children away from school. We are asking that specific information is provided (i.e. sore throat, cold, flu, type of injury etc).

Absences can be notified by calling the office on 04 939 9707, texting on 027 3710 947, emailing <u>office@koraunui.school.nz</u>, school website <u>https://koraunui.school.nz/contact-us/absence-notification/</u>

#### TOYS AT SCHOOL

Just a reminder that we ask that children do not bring their toys or precious belongings to school as these can be damaged or be a distraction to them and others. This includes trading cards e.g. Pokemon, NBA cards etc

#### STOKES VALLEY NEW WORLD

We were delighted to be working in partnership with Stokes Valley New World, as we provide the best resources and opportunities for our students. It is wonderful to see this business give back to the community.

#### **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.

#### **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.

#### **COVID Processes – IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

We are now looking forward to returning to a more normal way of living both at school and in the wider community. While this is something to celebrate, it is important to remember that COVID-19 is still present around the country. A Covid update letter was emailed to caregivers, posted on Facebook and our school website earlier this week and is attached at the end of this newsletter. Please read it so that you may understand the requirements and relaxations for our school moving forward.

## **BANK ACCOUNTS**

Many families keep a small bank account with the school office to pay for stationery and sports fees. If you would like to do this, bring in some cash and talk to Melva or Maree 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 12 3478-0015483-00

# WHATS COMING UP THIS TERM?

#### Week 8

• Monday 12 September: Te Wiki o te reo Māori begins Week 9

- Monday 19 September: Clean up New Zealand Week begins
- Monday 19 September: Girls Futsal Festival at Walter Nash
- Wednesday 21 September: Board of Trustees meeting in the staffroom Week 10
- Monday 26 September: Huttfest week begins (see page 2 of the newsletter for information)

Dave Lamont Principal







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# **St Josephs Group Scout Fundraiser**

# \$10.00 - 40L bags

#### Delivered from 18/09/22

Back by popular demand - we've done a deal with a 'top shelf' supplier of garden compost to give you great product at a great price this spring.

We are getting it delivered in bulk, the scouts are adding their labour to fill 40L bags and we'll deliver to your door.

(cash or bank transfer to St Josephs Scouts).

Every dollar of profit goes to support the youth. Please think of them and your garden by ordering heaps.



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Coronavirus (COVID-19) Update Tuesday 13.09.22



Kia ora koutou

Today we enter the next phase of our response to COVID-19 with the removal of the traffic light settings and mask wearing at school. It feels like this has been a long time coming with  $2\frac{1}{2}$  years of adapting to new rules and guidelines as the pandemic has changed the way we live and interact with each other.

We are now looking forward to returning to a more normal way of living both at school and in the wider community. While this is something to celebrate, it is important to remember that COVID-19 is still present around the country and we all need to continue doing what we can to keep ourselves safe and stay well.

Below are the key points that we need to be aware of now the traffic light settings have been removed.

- Wearing masks is no longer required while on the school grounds. This is for everyone who comes into our school.
- If people choose to wear a mask on site, we will support this as it is now personal choice whether to wear a mask or not.
- Should there be an outbreak of COVID-19 at Koraunui School, the Board has the ability to reintroduce mask wearing for a period of time, especially in the classrooms where we will have students and staff gathering in these spaces.
- We will continue with the hygiene practices we have been using throughout the pandemic and more recently the monitoring of CO2 levels in classrooms spaces. We will continue with ventilation practices.
- We still have a good supply of RATs (COVID-19 tests) and mask at school, these are available to anyone who requires them.
- As always, if children are unwell, please keep them at home. If they have flu like symptoms test for COVID-19.

#### **Isolation Rules**

- If someone in your household tests positive for COVID-19 they are required to isolate for 7 days as has been the practice for most of this year.
- Household contacts will no longer need to isolate but will need to carry out daily RAT tests for 5 days and get a negative result to continue with their daily lives outside their house.

On behalf of the staff and School Board I would like to thank our school community for working with us and being so supportive of all the change that has been introduced throughout the pandemic. It has been a time of learning for everyone and all going well we can look forward to the summer ahead without the restrictions of recent years.

Fingers crossed this is the last COVID-19 related message I have to send out to everyone. 😊

Ngā mihi nui

Dave Lamont Principal Koraunui School

#### Koraunui Care Centre Holiday Programme October 2022

Koraunui Care Centre Holiday programme will be operating from Monday 3 to Friday 14 October during the upcoming school holidays. Check out details for the programme below and if would like to make a booking fill in and return the reply slip to the Koraunui School office by Tuesday 20 September. You will then be sent an enrolment/confirmation form to secure your child(ren's) place. If you require financial assistance, please contact WINZ for information on a subsidy, or a form may be requested from the school office.

Once your booking is confirmed you are liable for the charges, whether your child attends the programme or not, unless notification of cancellation is received by Tuesday 27 September.



Please note: As well as the listed activities there will be various arts and crafts and games offered each day, as well as cooking activities on some days.

# Enrolments close Tuesday 20 September please get your enrolment request in before then – thanks

Where there is outstanding debt, we will not accept bookings for children unless this is paid

#### Koraunui Kids Care Holiday Programme - Expression of Interest

Please note this is an indication only, an enrolment form will be sent on receipt of this form.

Childs Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Contact Number: \_\_\_\_\_

October	7-8am	8am-12pm	12-5pm	5-5:45pm	9-3pm	Total to	
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Monday 3	\$5.00	\$20.00	\$25.00	\$3.75	\$30.00		
Tuesday 4	\$5.00	\$20.00	\$25.00	\$3.75	\$30.00		
Wednesday 5	\$5.00	\$45.00		\$3.75	\$30.00		
Thursday 6	\$5.00	\$20.00	\$25.00	\$3.75	\$30.00		
Friday 7	\$5.00	\$20.00	\$25.00	\$3.75	\$30.00		
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Total to pay							

October	7-8am	8am-12pm	12-5pm	5-5:45pm	9-3pm	Total to pay			
Monday 10	\$5.00	\$20.00	\$25.00	\$3.75	\$30.00				
Tuesday 11	\$5.00	\$20.00	\$25.00	\$3.75	\$30.00				
Wednesday 12	\$5.00	\$20.00	\$25.00	\$3.75	\$30.00				
Thursday 13	\$5.00	\$20.00	\$25.00	\$3.75	\$30.00				
Friday 14	\$5.00	\$45.00		\$3.75	\$30.00				
Total to pay									

Please fill in spaces for sessions you would like your child to attend and return this booking form to the school office by Tuesday 20 September.

Getting your booking in on time allows time to confirm booking numbers and do the staff roster – thankyou in advance