



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

NEWSLETTER ONE TERM TWO

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KIA ORA, TALOFA LAVA, AND WELCOME.

Welcome to Jayden, Matilda, Ricki-Rae and their whānau who joined our school this week.

MIHI WHAKATAU/WELCOME

Welcome to Term 2. We were delighted to welcome some new students, whānau and our two new teachers to school last week with a mihi whakatau. The term has started off well and we have been impressed with how quickly most tamariki have settled into routines again. We have a busy few weeks coming up so please keep an eye on the Facebook page and newsletter for information. We are delighted to welcome Whaea Lily (Room 8) and Whaea Louisa (Room 9) to our staff. They are settling in well and getting to know everyone around the school.

SCIENCE WEEK

Next week is Primary School Science Week and we will be exploring a range of different areas of science throughout the week. We will be holding a fun, hands-on science evening for parents next Thursday from 5.30-7.00pm. We will have a sausage sizzle happening during this time, including vegetarian options this time round. Come along, have a go.

A green poster with a white arched top. The text 'Primary Science Evening' is written in a large, bold, green font. Below it, in a smaller orange box, is '+ sausage sizzle!'. In a larger white box, it says 'Bring your whānau and have some fun with science experiments led by kaiako!'. At the bottom, it says '11th May | 5:30 - 7.00 pm' and 'Koraunui Library & Staffroom' in a green box. There are decorative orange starburst graphics on the left and right sides.

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SCHOOL PHOTOS – 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 QR code.
- Envelopes do not need to be returned for photos ordered online.
- Family Group photos require a separate envelope, these are also available from the office. 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 **Tuesday 16 May.**



SAINTS BASKETBALL SESSION

Some of our Years 5 & 6 tamariki were fortunate enough to have a basketball coaching session with two members of Saints Basketball team this week. This was a great boost for them as the new season kicks off. We are impressed with some of the skills our tamariki have.



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.

I♥Netball!



We will be holding parent interviews in the second half of this term. Please keep an eye out for information and make a booking to talk with your child's teacher when these are on.

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 emailed home. 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 some 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 2

- Friday 5 May: Yr 4,5 & 6 School cross country – weather dependant (postponement date will be sent out on Friday if it is cancelled on this day. Start 9am.

Week 3

- Primary Science Week this week
- Sign Language Week this week
- Wednesday 10 May: Board of Trustee Meeting 7.00pm in the staffroom

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
- Tuesday 30 May: Northern Zone Cross Country for tamariki who qualify

Week 7

- Monday 5 June: Kings Birthday **SCHOOL CLOSED TODAY**
- Wednesday June 7: Junior School Cross Country TBC

Week 8

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

Dave Lamont
Principal