

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

NEWSLETTER THREE TERM TWO

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KIA ORA, TALOFA LAVA, AND WELCOME.

We are almost halfway through Term 2 and as always there has been a lot going on across our school, both in and out of class, with plenty of opportunities for our tamariki to get involved in the wide range of learning experiences on offer. Our Kapa Haka and Pasifika performance groups are busy practicing for Huttfest which is coming up in Week 10. They are sounding fantastic. Please keep an eye on the calendar for upcoming events.

MEET THE TEACHER/GOAL-SETTING MEETINGS

These meetings will be held on Tuesday 6th and Wednesday 7th of June. These will be held for every child and their whanau. Please put aside some time to come to this very important meeting with your child. Online booking has been set up. Access for this online is as follows:

Now bookings are open, you need to go to

https://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz/ and enter the event code stt6p. Follow the steps shown to make an appointment

For emails and websites, use this link: <u>https://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz/code/stt6p</u>

SCHOOL PHOTOS

Your child/children were given a slip with a code on it to access and view the school photos on the LC Scott website. If you cannot find the slip please contact the school office as we have a copy of all codes. You can still order individual or class photos online using this coce.

YEAR 6 CAMP HUI – TOMORROW WEDNESDAY 24 MAY

We will be holding a hui for parents and Year 6 students about camp planned for 7-10 November. This will be an opportunity for us to share information and forms about camp and answer any questions parents or students have. This will be held in the staffroom at 5.30pm.





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.

PUKUTAKARO

We are delighted to welcome Hutt City Councils Active in the Hutt team back to school this year as they return with the Pukutakaro programme.

Pukutakaro is a programme designed to grow the amount of active play that our tamariki enjoy outside of classroom hours and to recognise the value of play in both improving physical activity and the overall wellbeing of the community.





KORAU VALUES

We have noticed some behaviours with some of the children around the school over the past few weeks. 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/Whanaungatanga We work as a team / whanau. We are inclusive.	



SPORTS TEAMS FEES

We still have outstanding fees for children playing in school sports teams. Invoices have been sent out to parents with the amounts. <u>All outstanding school and sports fees will need to be paid for your children to play sports.</u> If you would like to discuss paying off outstanding fees, please contact the school office.

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.

FROM THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

"The Koraunui Board of Trustees will be engaging with the school community in Term 2 of 2023 seeking their view on what their priorities for our kura, tamariki and staff are. Below is a link to our website where you can access supporting documents and a short survey that can be completed to help guide the Board in their decision making for the 2023 - 2025 planning. The Board plans to complete the evaluation of feedback and development of the Strategic Plan in Term 3, 2023 and will communicate this back with the school once completed."

https://koraunui.school.nz/this-is-us/koraunui-school-strategic-planning/

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 **Education Outside the Classroom**

(EOTC). Instructions are below for how to access the review section of the Schooldocs site.

The close off date for comments and input is Wednesday 7 June 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".

LEARNING ABOUT STRUCTURED LITERACY

Yesterday and today we have hosted professional learning for about 30 teachers from schools in our Taita/Stokes Valley Kahui Ako with a focus on structured literacy. The sessions have been designed to improve teacher knowledge and understanding of structured literacy and how this benefits tamariki as they learn literacy skills they need to take them through life. These sessions are a part of the combined professional development support provided to our school by the Ministry of Education. They have been wonderful opportunities for teachers from across our



schools to work together and share their knowledge and experiences. Over the past two years we have seen the benefit of using Structured Literacy as a part of our reading programme at Koraunui School and the new learning will enhance the work we do across our school.

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.

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 <u>emailed home</u>. 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.

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.

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 2

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
- Monday 29 May: Whanau Hui in the staffroom 6.00pm
- Tuesday 30 May: Northern Zone Cross Country for tamariki who qualify

Week 7

- Monday 5 June: Kings Birthday SCHOOL CLOSED TODAY
- Tuesday 6 June: Parent interviews 3.20-6.00pm
- Wednesday 7 June: Parent interviews 2.20-6.00pm
- Wednesday June 7: Junior School Cross Country TBC

Week 8

• Wednesday 14 June: Board of Trustees Meeting, 7.00pm in the staffroom Week 10

- Huttfest week
- Friday 30 June: End of Term 2

Term 3

• Monday 17 July: Start of Term 3

Dave Lamont Principal