



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

**NEWSLETTER TWO TERM THREE**

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

**ROAD SAFETY**

Last week and yesterday, we had near misses with children, where a parent called them across the road after school at a place other than the designated crossing on Kairimu Street. It was only through the awareness and reaction time of the drivers that the children were not hit.

*This is becoming more common place and for parents/whanau who are doing this, you are risking your child's life. Is saving a couple of minutes to walk into school worth this?*

We do all we can to keep tamariki safe and they know to use the crossings on Kairimu Street and Stakes Valley Road when crossing these roads and we can see tamariki get conflicted about what to do when they are called across the road by whanau.

Please stop this dangerous behaviour and model safe behaviours for your children.

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

*The Koraunui Board of Trustees are seeking information from our school community about what priorities, dreams, hopes and ideas there are for our kura, tamariki and staff over the next 2-3 years. Thank you to those who have already completed the survey.*



*Below is a link to our school website where you can access*

- *a short video explaining what we are looking for and the process we are following*
- *the full consultation document (2023 Strategic Engagement Information)*
- *a short survey that can be completed (anonymously) (Strategic Engagement Survey)*

<http://koraunui.school.nz/.../koraunui-school-strategic.../>

*We will be going through the information we have received at the board meeting next week. Please contribute to this consultation as this will guide the work we do with you tamariki.*

## KOWHAI BLOCK UPGRADE

We are delighted to announce that after many years of planning, delays and working with the Ministry of Education and our project manager, work will begin on the Kowhai Block (Rooms 7-11) internal upgrade by Monday 21 August. While this will pose some logistical challenges for us, we are looking forward to having these spaces upgraded so our tamariki and staff have up to date and modern spaces to learn and work in. It is expected that the project will take the rest of this school year to complete. While the work is taking place classes will move to the following spaces.

Room 12 (Whaea Ana's class will move to the library)

Room 8 (Whaea Lily's class will move to Room 12)

Room 9 (Whaea Ruiha and Whaea Louisa's class will move to Room 1)

This will be a change for tamariki and we will support them to make the transition to their new learning spaces.

While the work is taking place, Kowhai Block will be fenced off and inaccessible to tamariki and staff. We will post progress photos throughout the project.

## HUTTFEST PHOTOS

Malo lava le au HuttFest family!

Our 2023 have been uploaded to our website

<https://hutfest.weebly.com/>

We have created a page for each school so you can view their photos individually.

Videos are being reviewed and will be released later this week....watch out for the post on the Hutfest website and Facebook page. Special thank you to Adrian Watkins our Hutfest Photographer! Enjoy 😊

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Hutfest Team



## NETBALL SUCCESS

Last weekend our Year 3/4 netball team played in the Upper Hutt junior netball tournament and won their grade. 😊 The team worked really well together and were delighted with their results, especially as they had lost to two of the teams earlier in the season. It is great to see how they are improving as the season progresses.



## MID-YEAR REPORTS

If anyone is missing their child's mid-year report, please contact the school office. There were several children away when they were handed out last Friday. We have noticed that some of the attendance percentages recorded on the report are incorrect. We have contacted the IT folk to fix this. If you have a question about the attendance recorded on the report please contact us.

## 50 cent STALLS



**50 cent stalls will be on this Friday at morning teatime and are run by our Year 6 students as a part of their camp fundraising.** Please be mindful that items are all 50 cents so \$2 is the limit per child.

50 cent stalls will be on the Kowhai Block deck at morning teatime every Friday.



## YEAR 6 AVALON INTERMEDIATE DAY

Yesterday our Year 6 tamariki attended Avalon Intermediate for a taster of what intermediate school is like. They got to experience different classes that are offered and meet up with some of our former tamariki who now attend Avalon Intermediate. We have some prospectus folders at school if anyone is interested in learning more about Avalon Intermediate.



## BLAKE TRUST VR SESSION

Last week we had a visit from educators from the Sir Peter Blake Trust, who brought along some VR headsets for our tamariki to use where they learnt about the threats to the moana and impact humans are having on the environment.

The VR (virtual reality) headsets transported everyone into different areas of the sea around Aotearoa and completely immersed them in the environment. This was a fantastic way for our tamariki to see firsthand the impact we can all have on the ocean life around us alongside how through protecting the sea we can help create pristine areas where sea life thrives.

If anyone would like to learn more about the work the Blake Trust does or visit the world our tamariki explored, it can be accessed at their website <https://www.blakenz.org/programmes/>



Skye wrote, “Today we got to wear a VR headset. I was so excited. When we put it on, we were all shocked. When I had it on, I felt like I was swimming with the fish. After we took off the headsets, we talked about pollution and how we know if the ocean is unhealthy or healthy.”

Layla wrote, “Absolutely breathtaking. Putting it on was like a whole new world. It felt so lovely, refreshing and calming. When we took the VR headset off, I just wanted to put it back on to explore more. It was such an adventure going in, hopefully we can go back in again.”

## DODGEBALL YEAR 3-5

Yesterday we had two teams taking part in the dodgeball festival at Walter Nash Stadium that was organised by the Lower Hutt Primary Schools Sports Association. This was attended by schools from across Lower Hutt. Our teams has a fantastic time each playing 11 games and showing off their skills and sportsmanship. We are really proud of the way they demonstrated our KORAU values throughout the day and represented our school so well. Thanks to Mr G and Sol for organizing our teams and supporting them at this event.



## KORAU VALUES

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.



## HEAD LICE



We have been informed by some parents that their children have headlice. We ask that you please check your children's hair, especially if you notice them scratching. Information about preventing the spread of headlice can be found at the following website <https://www.kidshealth.org.nz/head-lice>. We have some treatment products and combs available at school. Please contact the school office for advice and support.

## STATIONERY

From this term until the end of the year there will be a charge for any stationery that the children require. We have the required stationery here at school and a charge will be added to parent's accounts/invoices if this is required for tamariki. We keep the cost of stationery as low as possible for our families.





## **BEE HEALTHY INFORMATION**



The Bee Healthy Dental Hub next to Koraunui School will be closed during Term 3. For any children that require an appointment for pain or discomfort, or wish to have treatment planned over Term 3, please contact Naenae Dental Hub in Walters Street. Phone 04 587 2848 or 0800 825 583. Yearly examinations and treatments will resume in Term 4.

## **ZOOM PHARMACY MINOR AILMENT SERVICE**

Te Whatu Ora Minor Ailment Scheme has been put in place to ensure that students and families have access to free advice, free medicines and with the ZOOM Pharmacy service free delivery to their home.

Any child under the age of 14 and any family members with similar symptoms are able to receive this service completely free!

To learn more about who is eligible and what conditions are funded you can visit (<http://www.zoompharmacy.co.nz/mas>)

## **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](mailto: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.

## **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.

## **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 3

#### Week 3

- Monday 31 July: Kōtuitui - Women's Football World Cup mahi R. 13, 14 & 15
- Wednesday 2 August: Board of Trustees meeting, 7.00pm in the staffroom
- Friday 4 August: School Assembly Kauri Team

#### Week 4

- Monday 7 August: Kōtuitui - Women's Football World Cup mahi R. 13, 14 & 15
- Thursday 10 August: Year 6 students on World of Waste trip – Group 1

#### Week 5

- Monday 14 August: Kōtuitui - Women's Football World Cup mahi R. 13, 14 & 15
- Tuesday 15 August: Year 1-4 Fundamental Skills Festival TBC
- Thursday 16 August: Year 6 students on World of Waste trip – Group 2

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