



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

NEWSLETTER FIVE TERM FOUR

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KIA ORA, TALOFA LAVA, AND WELCOME.

Welcome to Evelyn and her whanau who joined our school this week.

CLASSROOM SWIMMING

Classes are now swimming regularly in the school pool. It is fantastic to see it being used so much. Please remember to send togs to school **every day** with your children. We have no spare togs and towels in the office so if they don't bring their own, they won't be swimming.

SUN HATS

 All children are required to wear sunhats at school during Term 4. Please make sure that all children bring **named** hats to wear at school to help protect them from the summer sun. We do not provide sunblock in classes as some children have had reactions in the past. Please put sunblock on your children before they leave home in the morning.

BUCKET HAT AND BOTTLE FUNDRAISER



Koraunui School Bottle



Koraunui School Hat

The bucket hats and drink bottles have arrived. We are checking to make sure they are all here and will distribute to those who made purchases. Please make sure you **name** your child's hat. We will look to run this fundraiser again at the start of next year.

POOL COMMITTEE

Thank you to those parents who offered to join our pool committee as our Board of Trustees gets ready to hire pool keys to members of our school community over the summer and in Term 1 next year. Once we have everything in place we will send out information about hiring a pool key and pool usage by our community.



JUNIOR ATHLETICS

Last Wednesday the Juniors across the school held their annual Sports Day. The emphasis was on participation and having fun. There were 6 activities and 6 mixed teams - Room 1 through to Room 12. Each team rotated through the activities. There was a lot of support from the very good crowd of spectators. The activities included; high jump, standing jump, obstacles, sprints, javelin and discus and bean bag toss. All were thoroughly enjoyed. We had a lovely day weatherwise - not too hot or windy. Amazing!



FIREWISE

On Friday morning the firetruck from the Stokes Valley Fire Station paid the Kauri Team a visit. It was very exciting. All the children got to sit inside the truck while the firefighters explained how things worked and what they do. They then got to look at the hoses and equipment stored in the sides of the truck. At the end of the visit, each child was given a chance to squirt water from a firehose. Low pressure of course. That looked like fun.

The children from the Kauri Team impressed the firefighters with their knowledge about what to do in a fire. Shout "FIRE! FIRE!" and GET OUT FAST!

And... STAY OUT!

Be Firewise is a great unit and the children have learned a lot.

START OF 2024 DATE

Our start date for 2024 is Wednesday 31 January. We will have staff only days on the days before this.



TE OMANGA HOSPICE GARDEN OF APPRECIATION CEREMONY



Thank you to Lincoln and Te Awea for representing Koraunui School at the Te Omanga Hospice Garden of Appreciation ceremony last week and reading out the names of those who had bricks laid this year. We are really proud of the way they represented our school and supported whanau who were there to remember loved ones during the brick laying ceremony. We have received a message from the organizers acknowledging what a great job they did in front of such a large gathering.

STOKES VALLEY CHRISTMAS PARADE

We are lucky to have the creative genius of Barbara Hay leading the charge with our Christmas float again this year. We will need a maximum of 20 students who can be a part of our float on **Saturday 2**

December. Christmas dress would be great 😊

Please let the office know if your child can be on the Koraunui School float.



KIDS MARKET

We have an opportunity for our Year 5 students to run a stall at the Kids Market at Speldhurst Park on Saturday 2 December and make some money for their camp in 2024. We have boxes full of books they can sell. Set up is at 9.00am with a start time of 10.00pm. Please contact the office if you would like to take up this opportunity.

YEAR 6 CAMP

Thank you to the staff and parents who went with our Year 6 tamariki to camp at the Makahika Outdoor Pursuits Centre last week. Everyone had a fantastic camp experience, taking on new challenges, supporting each other to give everything a go and learning what they are capable of. We couldn't go on trips such as this without the support of our parent community. Check out our Facebook page for camp photos.

HE PUAWAI TRUST GARDENING SESSIONS

Want to learn to create a garden, and grow your own vegetables for free? He Puawai Trust gardening guru Juliette is running 2 free gardening sessions in the Koraunui School māra. Please sign up at the school office or email stokesvalleykai@hepuawaitrust.com if you're planning to attend, to ensure we bring enough seedlings for you to plant as well as take home. Minimum of 6 participants for the free gardening sessions to go ahead. Come and learn what to plant and take seedlings home all for free.



Gardening Workshops Saturday 18th November 1pm

Saturday 2nd December 1pm

Please bring:

Gloves and wear sunscreen, hat and suitable covered footwear for gardening. These are tamariki friendly events.

SEE THE POSTER ON THE LAST PAGE OF THE NEWSLETTER

COVID

Please keep an eye out for COVID symptoms in your family. We are aware that there is an increase in COVID cases around the country at the moment. If you have any questions please contact the school office.



KOWHAI BLOCK UPGRADE

Work is progressing at a great rate and the rooms are really taking shape now. Some new photos have been added to our blog and can be accessed [HERE](#) and on our school website under the **This is Us** tab.

CLASS PLACEMENTS FOR 2024

We will soon begin the process of setting classes for 2024. If you have any information you would like to share about your child/children that we could consider when deciding on classes for next year please discuss this with your child's teacher in the first instance, and as soon as possible (you may wish to do this face-to-face or email office@koraunui.school.nz). While it may not always be possible to meet everyone's needs, it is good for us to know about your thoughts as we work through this process.

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.



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.

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

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 Kura and show them round so they can get a feel for how wonderful our Kura is.

WHATS COMING UP THIS TERM?

Term 4

Week 6 onwards

- Thursday 16 November: Fetu o le Moana Zelandia Trip
- Monday 20 November: Pedal ready for Year 5 students
- Tuesday 21 November: Pedal Ready for Year 6 students (groups)
- Wednesday 22 November: Pedal Ready for Year 6 students (groups)
- Thursday 23 November: Pedal Ready for Year 6 students (groups)
- Friday 24 November: Pedal Ready for Year 6 students (groups)
- Tuesday 28 November: Year 6 Surf Life Saving day at Worser Bay
- Wednesday 29 November: Board of Trustees Meeting in the staffroom 7.00pm
- Wednesday 29 November: Pedal Ready for Year 6 students (groups)
- Monday 11 December: Year 6 Road Patroller pool Party
- Wednesday 13 December: Year 6 Graduation in the school hall 6.00pm
- Wednesday 13 December: End of Year reports go home
- Thursday 14 December: Year 6 Mystery Bus Tour starting at 3.30pm
- Friday 15 December: Last day of the year. Assembly in the hall at 10.30am. SCHOOL FINISHES AT 12.00PM. ALL CHILDREN TO GO HOME AT 12.00PM. NO KCC ON THIS DAY

Dave Lamont
Principal

PICNIC IN THE MĀRA KORAUNUI SCHOOL

12.30-2pm 18th Saturday!

Come have a kai and join us in the māra /garden to grow with your tamariki! Learn about our new Koraunui School gardening program. we will have seedlings for you to take home to plant in your māra.



Email us to sign up!

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