



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

NEWSLETTER NINE TERM FOUR

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KIA ORA, TALOFA LAVA, AND WELCOME.

END OF YEAR MESSAGE

The end of the year provides us with time to look back on the year that has been. There have been many highlights this year and we are proud of the way our tamariki have approached new learning, friendships and challenges in a positive and enthusiastic way.

At Koraunui School we aim to provide tamariki with many rich learning opportunities and we thank our school community for the support that has been provided as we work together for the benefit of the tamariki. We are all looking forward to a break over the summer where we can recharge and spend some time with our families before we launch into the new year in 2024. We wish everyone a happy and safe summer break.



YEAR 6 GRADUATION

We were delighted to be able to give our Year 6 tamariki a fun and fitting send off yesterday to celebrate the end of their time at Koraunui School. Thank you to the whanau who came along to join in this celebration with us. We are very proud of the way our Year 6 students have stepped up this year and worked to model the KORAU values for others around the school. Congratulations to all those who received special awards.



Award Winners for 2023

Visual Art Trophy – Grace
Rachel Juno Cup – Quintin
Kapahaka Leadership – Clair & Layla
Pasifika Leadership – Ana, Cairo & Lee
Young Scientist of the Year – Senolee
Kaitiaki Award – Ana, Mairangi, Mary-Jane & Leo

Young Writer of the Year – Eli
Patroller of the Year – Quintin & Grace
Overall Academic Excellence – Senolee & Eli
KORAU Award – Senolee, Layla, Leo, Mairangi, Maico, Qunitin, Eli & Ezekiel
KORAU Trophy – Senolee

END OF YEAR REPORTS

All reports were sent home yesterday. Next year's classroom and teacher were also included with the report on a separate slip of paper. Please check your children's bag if you haven't seen a report. If they don't have a report, please contact the classroom teacher. If children are not at school this week, reports will be held at school.

START OF 2024 DATE

Our start date for 2024 is Wednesday 31 January. Staff only days will be on Monday 29 & Tuesday 30 January.

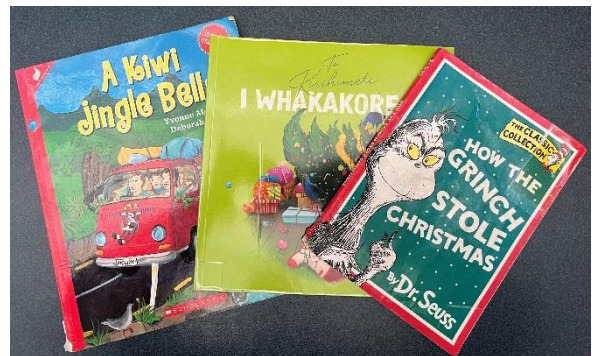


On Thursday 25 January between 1.30 & 2.30pm school will be open for tamariki and whānau to visit their Kaiako in the classroom space so they can have a look around before school starts.

facebook We will be taking a break from social media over the Christmas break and so will be putting a pause on our school Facebook page from Friday 23 December through until Monday 9 January when the holiday programme begins again.

SCHOOL LIBRARY BOOK RETURNS

Our school library is now closed. Can all school library books that are currently issued to students please be returned to school so we can store them back in the library for the holiday break. Please check around the house, under beds, in wardrobes, in bags, wherever you can think a book might be hiding. These can be returned in the school letterbox next week if you cannot make it to school today or tomorrow.



SCHOOL SPORTS AND PERFORMANCE UNIFORMS

Can all school performance and sports uniforms please be returned to school as soon as possible so they can be prepared for 2024.

Unfortunately, our sport uniforms have dwindled down - which is such a pity because they are only quite new. Even if you child hasn't done any school sports - PLEASE CHECK.

We really would love to have back: our school netball dresses, basketball singlets, touch singlets, sport t-shirts. Once found please return directly to the school office - we just need them back.



DECORATE YOUR WHEELS

On Tuesday children in the Kauri Team had a wonderful time decorating their Wheels as part of the EOTC programme. There was a lot of helping and sharing going on and the results were amazing!



STATIONERY

Next year we will be allocating some of the Ministry of Education donation scheme funding to school stationery. This will pay for stationery the children require to begin the school year. There will be no cost to parents/whanau for start of year stationery.

Again, all we will be asking is that parents/caregivers/whānau make a \$5 per child contribution that will be used for classroom tissues and paper resources.



SCHOOL INVOICES

The last invoices for 2023 have been sent out. Thank you to all families who have made some payments or contacted us about outstanding payments for school and sporting activities. If you haven't done so already, we ask that these are either paid in full or regular part payments are made to clear debts before the end of the school year.

We rely on invoices being paid to help with providing the many sporting opportunities along with KCC and 2 PM Club we provide for your children.

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

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.

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

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| 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. |




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KORAUNUI SCHOOL ENROLMENTS

Do you have or know of any 5-year-old children who are starting school 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.

 Check out our Facebook page for information and photos from all of the events happening around the school.

WHATS COMING UP THIS TERM?

Term 4

Week 9 onwards

- 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 11.00am. **SCHOOL FINISHES AT 12.00PM. ALL CHILDREN TO GO HOME AT 12.00PM. NO KCC ON THIS DAY**

2024 START OF YEAR

- Thursday 25 January: Meet the teacher 1.30-2.30pm in the classrooms.
- Monday 29 January: Staff Only Day
- Tuesday 30 January: Teacher Only Day
- Wednesday 31st January: First day of Term 1 – 8.30am start.
- Tuesday 6 February: **WAITANGI DAY SCHOOL CLOSED**

Dave Lamont, Principal