



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

NEWSLETTER SIX TERM FOUR

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KIA ORA, TALOFA LAVA, AND WELCOME.

Welcome to Declan and his 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.

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 have a Gingerbread house theme this year and are hoping tamariki can dress as elves, fairies or in an animal onesie if they have these items. If not something festive will do. We will have Alina at school doing face painting for tamariki before the parade. We have space for 5 more students

who can be a part of our float on **Saturday 2 December**. Everyone going on the float needs to be at school by 10.45am 😊. Please let the office know if your child can be on the Koraunui School float.



KIDS MARKET



We have an opportunity for any whānau and their tamariki to run a stall at the Kids Market at Speldhurst Park on Saturday 2 December and make some money for their Year 6 camp or other needs in 2024. This job can be shared between whānau. 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.

KOWHAI BLOCK UPGRADE

The fences are down around Kowhai Block and we are now seeing the final jobs being completed for the upgrade project. It is wonderful everyone can now get on the deck and have a look through the windows to see what has been happening. 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 have been working on class lists for 2024. Thank you to parents and whānau who shared their thoughts with us. Once these classes are set, we will not be changing them as a lot of work goes into balancing up the different needs and dynamics we have across our classes and how we can best support these with teachers and teacher aides. Your child's class for 2024 will be included in their end of year report that will go home in the last week of school.

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.



PEDAL READY

It has been great to have the Pedal Ready team from the Greater Wellington Regional Council back at school this week. They have been working with our Year 5 and 6 tamariki developing their cycling skills and confidence. As a part of the programme this year, some of our Year 6 tamariki went out on the roads around Stokes Valley with the instructors to put into practice all the skills they've learnt so far. It has been fantastic to see our school bikes along with those brought along by the Pedal Ready team being used so much during the day. Thanks to Whaea Liz for organizing this for our tamariki.



KCC HOLIDAY PROGRAMME CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY DATES (2023/2024)

KCC will be running between **Monday 18 to Wednesday 20 December 2023** and again from **Monday 8 to Friday 26 January 2024 inclusive**. All bookings for these sessions are due by Friday 2 December 2023. Please contact the office to book your children into the holiday programme. See the back of the newsletter for the holiday programme.



SCHOOL INVOICES

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.

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 ANOTHER free gardening session 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 Workshop: Saturday 2nd December 1pm

Please bring:

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

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.



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 7 onwards

- Thursday 23 November: Pedal Ready for Year 6 students (groups)
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- Tuesday 28 November: Year 6 Surf Life Saving day at Worsler 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**

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Principal

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Parents / Caregivers

Koraunui Care Centre Holiday programme will be operating from **Monday 18 December to Thursday 21 December 2023 and then Monday 8 January to Friday 26 January 2024**. See below for session times and programme details.

We have planned lots of fun activities based at the programme centre. There will be swimming, cooking, art activities and more. Check out details on the programme listing below; if you like the look of things that will be happening, fill in and return the request to enrol form to the Koraunui School office by Friday 3 December. We will then send you an enrolment form confirming your child(ren's) place. If you require financial assistance, please contact WINZ for information on a subsidy, or a form may be requested from the school office.

Once we have your request to enrol form, you are liable for the charges whether your child attends or not, unless notification of cancellation is received by Friday 10 December 2023.

For further information on programme details please contact Janice at Koraunui School office.

Monday 18 December Bead Stars 	Tuesday 19 December Make your own travel tic tac toe. 	Wednesday 20 December Picnic and pool day fun 	Thursday 21 December Closed	Friday 22 December Closed
Monday 8 January Ice block stick weaving 	Tuesday 9 January Balloon lantern 	Wednesday 10 January Shadow Theatre 	Thursday 11 January Fimo modelling 	Friday 12 January Driftwood art 
Monday 15 January Rock animals 	Tuesday 16 January Cooking with Deb Kelly 	Wednesday 17 January Trip to the Hub 	Thursday 18 January Sock puppets 	Friday 19 January Calendar making with Naomi 
Monday 22 January Closed Wellington Anniversary	Tuesday 23 January Make and decorate cupcakes 	Wednesday 24 January Swin at SV Pool and pizza lunch 	Thursday 25 January Kite making 	Friday 26 January Waterplay day 

As well as the listed activities there will be various arts and crafts and games offered each day as well as cooking activities on some days.