

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

## NEWSLETTER THREE, TERM THREE

# Thursday 15th August, 2024

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## KIA ORA, TALOFA LAVA, AND WELCOME

Welcome to Xavier and his whanau who joined our Kura this week.

## WHATS COMING UP IN TERM 3

## Week 5

- Monday 19th August Taita College students working with senior classes
- Monday 19<sup>th</sup> August School photos beginning at 8.30am
- Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> August Year 1-4 Soccer at Walter Nash Stadium for some students
- Wednesday 21st August Bike maintenance team at school today

## Week 6

- Monday 26<sup>th</sup> August Taita College students working with senior classes
- Thursday 29th August Dodgeball tournament at Walter Nash Stadium Year 3, 4, 5 & 6. Some students TBC
- Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> August Cricket lessons planned sessions across the school

### Week 7

- Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September Wellington Zoo trip Room 7 & 9
- Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> September Kauri Team Zoo Trip
- Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> September Cricket lessons planned sessions across the school
- Friday 6<sup>th</sup> September Zealandia trip Rooms 13 & 14 TBC

## SCHOOL PHOTOS

School photos are on Monday 19th August. Order envelopes, one for each child, were sent home on Tuesday 6 August. Envelopes have instructions on how to order photos. Individual and class photos can be ordered and paid for online after the 19 August if you wish, children will be given an order code slip



to make future orders. Family Photos must be ordered and paid for before the 19 August.

# KPG - KORAUNUI PARENTS GROUP MEETING (WE NEED YOUR HELP)

We are really keen to get a parents group re-established to raise funds for our tamariki and the "extras" that don't come with Ministry of Education funding.

In the past KPG has raised money for school playgrounds, equipment, laptops and resources. This is a wonderful chance for parents to join in school life and make a valuable contribution to our school and the opportunities we provide our tamariki.

If you can help and would like to be a part of the KPG team please let the office know and we will organize a time to meet and have a chat.

## KORAUNUI SPELLING

In collaboration with local mana whenua representatives, Ali Houpapa and Nate Rowe (who also work with the Lower Hutt and Wellington City Councils), we have identified a necessary correction to the spelling of our school's name.

The current spelling, "Koraunui," unfortunately lacks a true meaning in Te Reo Māori. The correct spelling, "Kōraunui" (with a macron above the "o" to indicate a long vowel sound), carries cultural significance

Our school board is talking with all stakeholders in the school about this and will look to make the correction to the spelling over time. If anyone would like to discuss this with us or find out more information, please contact Dave Lamont (principal) or Spencer Hiess (board presiding member).

## LUNCHTIME TACKLE RUGBY

Mr G is happy to take tackle rugby on Monday and Tuesdays at lunchtime for Year 4-6 tamariki. **No mouthguard no play**. It might pay to send along a change of clothes too!



## WRITING ACROSS THE SCHOOL

It has been fantastic to see some of the clever writing tamariki have been doing this term. We have been impressed with the creativity, confidence and clarity they have demonstrated with their writing.

# Room 7 Writing

Tamariki in Room 7 have been writing about the day in the life of a pencil. Below is some of Stevie's writing

# **Chapter 2: The Death of the Pencil**

Today, the pencil called Penelope got sharpened for the last time. We laid Penelope by the tree she was made from. The teacher was the one who sharpened her, so the teacher was in for revenge. Two of the sharpest pencils stood up on her chair and then she sat down on the pencils.

# Chapter 3: Faze 1 of the Revenge

After school I got all of the pencils ready to trash the classroom. All of the pencils were throwing paper and books around the room. Piper had a good idea to open the doors. We threw the maths cubes and many more. To be continued...

## STUDY CENTRE

Tamariki who attend Study Centre after school from Monday to Thursday have been working on developing their computing skills, exploring AI and learning about online safety. Below is a word search Jacob created based on our KORAU values. Have a go at finding all the words

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Click on the link below to see some more of the work that's been happening at Study Centre. <a href="https://www.koraunui.school.nz/this-is-us/study-centre/">https://www.koraunui.school.nz/this-is-us/study-centre/</a>

## YEAR 3 & 4 DODGEBALL

Back in Week 2 of this term we had two Year 3 and 4 teams take part in a Dodgeball competition at Walter Nash Stadium with schools from across Lower Hutt. They had a great time. They played with enthusiasm and represented our school with pride.

## **SOCIAL MEDIA CONCERNS**

We are continuing to hear that some tamariki are very active on social media sites outside of school hours. This is continuing to filter into school life and impact on how children are interacting with each other and their friendships.

PLEASE CHECK WHAT YOUR CHILDREN ARE DOING ON SOCIAL MEDIA AND WHAT GROUPS/ACCOUNTS THEY HAVE CREATED OR ARE FOLLOWING.

<u>Community Guidelines | TikTok</u> <u>https://netsafe.org.nz/social-media-parents/</u>

## **BREAKFAST CLUB**

Breakfast Club is on each day from 8.00 - 8.30am. It has been great to see a good number of our tamariki coming along for some kai each morning. We have one parent who has volunteered to run this for us. This is available for all tamariki from our Kura who wish to have breakfast when they arrive at school. We expect that all tamariki will demonstrate their KORAU values when at Breakfast Club. If anyone would like to volunteer or help with Breakfast Club, please contact the school office.



### 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 **Concerns and** 

Complaints, Media, Performance Management, Professional Development, Protected Disclosure, Staff conduct & Staff Leave. Instructions are below for how to access the review section of the

Schooldocs site.

## The close off date for comments and input is Friday 30 August.

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".

### OVERDUE INVOICES

Thank you to those families that have paid or are continuing to pay their invoices. If you haven't and need to, please start doing so. **Outstanding fees need to be paid ASAP.** If you have any question or would like to discuss invoices and payments please contact the office.

### CONTACT DETAILS

Thank you to those that have already updated their 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, events, 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

Ngā mihi,

Dave Lamont Principal

# FUNDRAISER FOR NEW PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT

Mr G has organised a fundraiser for bucket hats and drink bottles with our school logo on them. The proceeds will go towards new playground equipment for our tamariki. Click <u>HERE</u> or scan the QR code on the poster for more information and to purchase Koraunui School hats and drink bottles. The link is also on our Facebook page. **The last day for orders is Friday 20 September**. Orders will be sent to the school 2 weeks after this for distribution, meaning hats and bottles should be here by early November.

There are a range of colours to choose from. A poster with QR code is attached to the newsletter email.

