



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

NEWSLETTER ONE, TERM FOUR
Kawerongo tuatahi, wāhanga tuawaru

Thursday 17th October, 2024
Ko te Rāpare-17- Oketopa

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KIA ORA, TALOFA LAVA, MĀLŌ E LELEI, AND WELCOME

Welcome to Rayn and Siuta who started at the end of Term 3 and Keanna, Riley, Talia and Cobain and their whanau who joined our Kura this week.



Welcome back to the new term. We hope that everyone had a good break and managed to recharge for the term ahead. We have another fun filled and busy term ahead with a wide variety of learning experiences planned for the children during the term. As we focus on the learning needs of tamariki, we encourage parents/whanau to be actively involved in their learning and strengthen the home/school communication. It is great to have good weather to start the term so we can all get outside in the fresh air. 😊

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.

TERM 4 STAFF ONLY DAY – Friday 25th October. School and KCC will be closed on this day so we can take part in whole staff curriculum professional development. This is the second of the Ministry of Education teacher only days provided to us this year so we can spend time focusing on the changes to the curriculum and do some work around what these changes mean for us at our Kura.

WHATS COMING UP IN TERM/WĀHANGA 3

Week 2

- Monday 21st October – Koraunui Kindy Visiting 9.15am Room 8
- Wednesday 23rd October – School visit to Koraunui Marae
- Thursday 24th October – Senior School Athletics (Year 4-6) from 9.00am
- Friday 25th October – **STAFF ONLY DAY SCHOOL CLOSED**

Week 3

- Monday 28th October – **LABOUR DAY SCHOOL CLOSED**
- Tuesday 29th October – ERO at school carrying out a review
- Wednesday 30th October – ERO at school carrying out a review
- Wednesday 30th October – Board of Trustees meeting, 7.00pm in the staffroom

Week 4

- Tuesday 5 November – Northern Zone Athletics Hutt Rec 9.15am (for tamariki who qualified)
- Friday 8th November – KPG Disco 5.00-6.00pm junior, 6.30-7.30pm senior

Week 5

- Tuesday 12th November – Koraunui Kindy Visiting 9.15am
- Tuesday 12th November – Year 5 Patrol Training with Constable Blue 9am
- Wednesday 13th November – Junior School Athletics TBC 10.30 - 12.30
- Thursday 14th November – Te Omanga Hospice Gardens of Appreciation Ceremony 5.30pm
- Friday 15th November – Diabetes awareness day – Blue day - gold coin donation

Week 6

- Tuesday 19th – Friday 22nd November – Year 6 camp at Makahika OPC

Week 7

- Wednesday 27th November – Koraunui Marae Open Day 10.am-2.00pm
- Thursday 28th November – Te Puāwaitanga o te Kākano Zoo Trip

Week 8

- Wednesday 4th December – Board of Trustees meeting, 7.00pm in the staffroom
- Thursday 5th December – Hutt Fest Pasifika/Kapa Haka performers celebration TBC

Week 9

- Monday 9th December - Year 6 Surf Life Saving Day Worsler Bay
- Thursday 12th December – Year 6 Graduation

Week 10

- Tuesday 17th December – Last day of term

FROM THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

COMMUNITY USE OF THE SCHOOL POOL

The school board has agreed to hiring keys to parents in our school community over Term 4, the summer break and in Term 1 next year. This is an opportunity for students from our school and their families to make use of our pool outside school hours - during the summer. We are now taking expressions of interest from our parent community of who would like to hire a pool key. We have 20 keys to hire out this summer. Preference will be given to families who do not have outstanding debt with our school. If you are interested in hiring a key, please contact the school office or email office@koraunui.school.nz



SCHOOL POOL IS OPEN

Our pool is up and running again for the term ahead. Tamariki are loving the pool and the best part is it is heated (currently about 25 degrees 😊).

Thank you to Hayden and Bruce for getting the pool up and running, we are extremely grateful. A reminder for tamariki to bring their togs everyday. Classes will have at least 2 swimming sessions a week but send togs with your child/ren each day as if there are gaps in the timetable they may get an extra swim.



SCHOOL ATHLETICS



Senior school (Year 4-6) athletics will be held next Thursday 24th October from 9.00am. We will be having practices both this week and next leading up to athletics. Please make sure tamariki bring appropriate clothing, sun hat and a water bottle each day.

START OF 2025 DATE

Our start date for 2025 is Wednesday 29 January. We will have staff only days on the days before this.

KORAUNUI PARENT GROUP PRESENTS: END OF YEAR DISCO

Get ready to dance and party with our first Dress Up Disco on **Friday 8 November at the School Hall. 5.00 – 6.00pm for Juniors, 6:30pm – 7:30pm for Seniors**. There will be cash only stalls for snacks and Face Painting (Maximum cost up to \$1 each)



Tickets are \$2 each, which includes a free glow stick upon entry. Preschoolers are free (they must be supervised by an adult). Money from this fun night will go towards improving the Junior Playground.

To give us an idea of numbers, please fill out the form here (<https://forms.office.com/r/RN53TCyL93?origin=lprLink>). Please pay by cash on the night.

We are in need for parent volunteers to help with set up, during the event and pack up – please email us KPG@koraunui.school.nz if you can help. This is our first fundraising event and we hope to make it a successful night so your support is truly appreciated.

The KPG Team

ROOM 13 WRITING

It was great to see the work Belle and Elliot have been doing this week. They worked hard researching and presenting what they have learnt about animals that have been sent into space over the years. Ka rawe 😊



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.



CLASS PLACEMENTS FOR 2025

We will soon begin the process of setting classes for 2025. 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.

MANA POTENTIAL STAFF PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

This year our staff have been taking part in professional development called Mana Potential. Mana Potential is a framework that is strength-based that helps to build and strengthen positive relationships and culture within our school community. The framework creates a shared language that supports learning and enhances well-being by growing, strengthening and sustaining great relationships. It focuses on what can be done, not what can't.

This approach fits within how we already work with tamariki and each other and incorporates our KORAU values and other work we have done around building positive relationships and responding to behaviours.

To build positive relationships and understanding, we all need to share a bit about ourselves and about where we come from.

Part of the process is for everyone within Kōraunui School to complete a Tuku Iho diagram. This shows our connections to whānau/family, those who have come before us, groups we have a belonging to and our school.

A copy of my diagram was sent out with the newsletter last term so you can see what this looks like for me (this is a work in progress still), everyone will have their own take on this.

In the coming weeks your child/children may come home and ask about your parents, grandparents and connections your whānau/family has with different groups. This will be because they are working on this in their class.

We will initially be working with tamariki about their connections to Kōraunui School. This is something they can all contribute to.

Any information you can provide your child/children to help with this would be great but if you don't have much information, this is okay and please don't worry about it. It is all about having a conversation.

ATTENDANCE AT SCHOOL – Term 3

Below are the attendance rates at school over all of Term 3 against the Ministry of Education headings.

Ministry Headings	Attendance at school	Percentage students attend school
Regularly attending	90%+	46% of students attended school 9/10 days a fortnight
Irregular absence	80-89%	24% of students attended school 8/10 days a fortnight
Moderately absent	70-79%	9% of students attended school 7/10 days a fortnight
Chronically absent	less than 70%	22% of students attended school less than 7/10 days a fortnight

For the majority of tamariki who have been chronically absent we have had no contact with parents/whanau. For these tamariki they will miss 2 ½ weeks of school each term if they continue with this pattern of attendance.

If your child can be at school, please get them here. If you need help of any type, please reach out and ask. We are here to help.

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, especially sports.** If you have any questions 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.

BREAKFAST CLUB

Breakfast Club is on each day from 8.00 - 8.30am. this will begin again next Monday. 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.**



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

KPG PRESENTS

END OF YEAR

DISCO

FRIDAY 8TH NOVEMBER
KŌRAUNUI SCHOOL HALL

JUNIORS 5PM - 6PM

SENIORS 6.30PM - 7.30 PM

\$2 PER TICKET

INCLUDES A GLOW STICK ON ENTRY
SCAN THE QR CODE FOR TICKET INFO

FOOD AND DRINK FOR
SALE PRICED BETWEEN
50C AND \$1

