



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

NEWSLETTER TWO, TERM ONE

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KIA ORA, TALOFA LAVA, AND WELCOME.

Welcome to Zoe, Aaliyah, Stella, Zaqiya, Abel, Mia and their whānau. We look forward to watching them blossom into wonderful KORAU Tamariki.

START OF YEAR

It has been great to see the tamariki so enthusiastic about being at school and engaging in their learning. Our focus over the first few weeks has been setting up routines and building relationships. A large part of this work has been centered on the Mana Potential professional development our staff have been involved with over the past year.



WHAT'S COMING UP THIS TERM?

Week Three

- Friday 14th February: School Assembly led by Fetu o le Moana

Week Four

- Monday 17th February: Mihi Whakatau for new staff and whānau
- Monday 17-20th February: Stokes Valley Swimming lessons begin – Class timetables are below

Week Five

- Monday 24-27th February: Stokes Valley Pool Swimming lessons – Class timetables are below

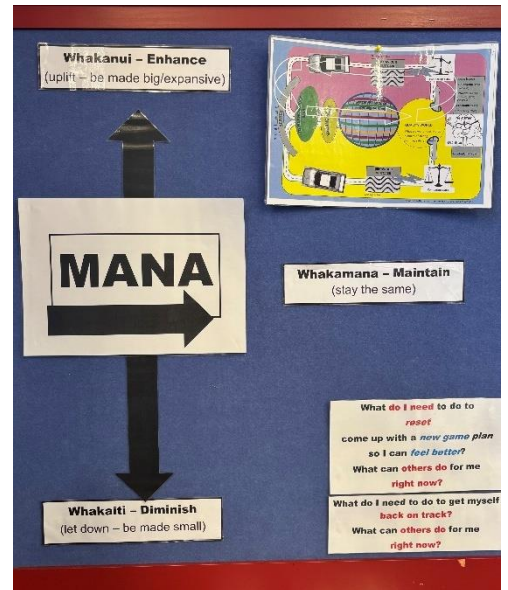
Week Six

- Monday 3rd March: Movin March begins
- Wednesday 5th March: Taka Trust Bike Day at Avalon Park – TBC
- Friday 7th March: School Assembly led by Te Puāwaitanga o te Kākano

MANA POTENTIAL

Through the Mana Potential approach, we aim to uplift the mana of tamariki and each other, focus of the strengths each other have, incorporating our KORAU values building positive relationships. We plan to hold an information evening about this and other approaches we are using for the curriculum later this year.

To the right are the qualities tamariki in Room 13 have identified as being important for their go to people and the Mana Framework all classes are using when talking about feelings and emotions.



MANA POTENTIAL IN ROOM 4

We can...

ROOM 4 have been discussing what UNITE and INCLUDING look like – going to and from school, and in and out of the classroom. The children made posters illustrating the actions that show UNITE and INCLUDING and what it means to them. Here are some of them.



KORAUNUI SCHOOL COMMUNITY MEET AND GREET BBQ

Thanks to everyone who could make it along to the BBQ last Monday. It was great to catch up with parents and whānau to spend some chatting in the evening sunshine. Thanks to our staff who could make it along for the evening and Bruce, Debbie and everyone who helped with the BBQ. We will look to hold other gatherings during the year.



SCHOOL POOL



It has been fantastic to see how much our school pool has been used during the day by classes and after school and at the weekend by school families who have a key. We are planning on keeping the pool open for as long as we can this term.

SWIMMING LESSONS AT STOKES VALLEY POOL

Next week we begin swimming lessons at Stokes Valley Pool from Monday to Thursday. Please make sure tamariki bring their togs every day and have suitable footwear, hats and clothing as they will be walking to and from the pool each day.

The daily timetable is below

10am - Room 23 & Room 7	10.30am - Room 10 & Room 14
11.00am - Room 9 & Room 15	11.30am - Room 13 & Room 12
12.00pm - Room 4	



ATTENDANCE AT SCHOOL

Below are the attendance rates at school for this week against the Ministry of Education headings. It has been great to see most tamariki at school every day so far this year. It makes such a positive difference to their learning and friendships if they are at school every day.

Ministry Headings	Attendance at school	Percentage students attend school
Regularly attending	90%+	72% of students attended school 9/10 days a fortnight
Irregular absence	80-89%	6% of students attended school 8/10 days a fortnight
Moderately absent	70-79%	14% of students attended school 7/10 days a fortnight
Chronically absent	less than 70%	8% of students attended school less than 7/10 days a fortnight

For tamariki who have been chronically absent 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.

LUNCHES IN SCHOOL PROGRAMME



The lunches that are being provided for tamariki have been top quality this year and it has been fantastic to see so many tamariki eating the school lunches each day. As we are continuing with the lunch provider from the past few years we are not experiencing the issues with quality and delivery of the lunches some other schools are having.

STUDY CENTRE

Our Study Centre roll is currently full. If you would like your child to go on a waiting list, please fill in an enrolment form and you will be contacted if a spot becomes available.



2PM CLUB

All children will need to be booked into 2PM Club by [clicking here](#)



Every Wednesday and Friday we run 2pm Club between 2.00-3.00pm for children whose parents book them in for this service. The cost of 2pm Club is \$2.00/session. This is to cover the cost of supervision during these times. If your child is not coming to 2pm you need to contact the office for that specific day. If your child is on the casual list and are attending you also need to let the office know for that day.

50 Cent Stalls



50 cent stalls are run by our Year 6 students as a part of their camp fundraising This will every Friday at morning teatime outside Room 12 and 13. Please be mindful that items are all 50 cents so \$2 is the limit per child.



DUFFY BOOKS

We are lucky enough to be a part of the Duffy Books programme again this year. So, what does this mean for you? All tamariki at school will receive books to take home and are theirs to keep. This will start this term. Thank you to The Juno family for helping support such a fantastic cause. Check out this link for more information. <https://booksinhomes.org.nz/>



FETU O LE MOANA

Fetu o le Moana have started learning options on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons. Tamariki get to choose their learning area and learn something new for the term. Mr G is doing cricket and cricket skills, Matua Tim is forming a band, Mrs McLeod and Whaea Sharyn are teaching French, Miss Hutchison has a dance group and Whaea Fran and Whaea Ange are taking an art group. Tamariki are loving it! Make sure you ask your kids what they are learning, it has been a blast so far.



Fetu o le Moana have had a wonderful 3 weeks getting settled into new classrooms and getting to know each other. As part of this we have been getting active in the morning to build our fitness, confidence and sense of belonging.



HATS & WATER BOTTLES



It is fantastic to see so many children with hats on as we begin the new school year. Please make sure your child has a **sunhat to keep at school, clearly named** on the hat so any ownership disputes can be quickly resolved. We encourage children to bring **named water bottles** with them to help keep them hydrated during the day.

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.

SCHOOL FACEBOOK PAGE MEMBERSHIP REVIEW



In the coming weeks we will be reviewing the membership of our Facebook page. Our page is intended for families and whanau with a direct connection to Koraunui School through children who currently attend our school. For whanau of children who have left, we will remove them from the page. We thank everyone who has supported our school over the years and used Facebook as a means of communicating, supporting our school and sharing stories about their children.

Remember to keep up to date with what we are up to via our school website.

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

Ngā mihi,

Dave Lamont
Principal

RETURN FORMS

Please let the office know if you can help or if there are any changes we need to know about, even if you have filled in only one section.

YES, I CAN HELP!

School crossing: 8.00-8.30: Possible days: Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri

Name: _____ Phone: _____

YES, I CAN HELP!

KIDS KITCHEN BREAKFAST:

8.00-8.30: Possible days: Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri

Name _____ Phone: _____

YES, I CAN HELP!

Community Tutor Reading:

Name: _____ Phone: _____

CONTACT DETAILS

Childs/Children's Name:

Parent/Caregiver Name:

Address:

Phone:

Mobile:

Email:

Emergency Contact and Relationship:

Address:

Phone:

Mobile:

Email: