

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

NEWSLETTER SEVEN, TERM THREE

Friday 5th September 2025

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MAURI, KIA ORA, TALOFA LAVA, AND WELCOME.

We welcome Zekani who joined her sister and whānau at school this week.

WHAT'S COMING UP THIS TERM?



Week 9

- Papua New Guinea Language Week
- Friday 12th September: Duffy Role Model Assembly. 11.00am in the hall

Week 10

- Te Wiki o te Reo Māori
- Monday 15 September: Year 6 parent camp meeting 5.30pm in the staffroom
- Friday 19 September: Assembly hosted by Te Puawaitanga o te Kakano at 9.00am
- Friday 19 September: End of Term 3

SCHOOL PHOTOS



Due to a lot of illness recently we postponed the school photos until **Friday 19 September.** The information for how to order photos is on

the envelope.



Here is the link for pre-ordering photos on LC Scott's website, you have the option to pre-order photos online - https://orders.lcscott.co.nz/ordering/with?key=E5GBBTCV

Please note that family photos must be pre-ordered before photo day to ensure the photo is taken.

Please contact the school office if you have any difficulty with ordering photos or if you need more information about school photos.

KCC HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

Information about the KCC holiday programme for the September/October holiday break is available on our school Facebook page, has been emailed to parents and is outlined below. Please contact the office for an Expression of Interest form or complete it here. All bookings need to be into the office by Tuesday 16 September so we can confirm programmes and staffing.

Koraunui Care Centre Holiday Programme September 2025

Koraunui Care Centre Holiday programme will be operating from Monday 22 September to Friday 3 October during the upcoming school holidays.

Check out details for the programme below and <u>if would like to make a booking fill in and return the request to enrol form to the Koraunui School office by Tuesday 16 September</u>. 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 Thursday 18th September.



Please note: 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.

POOL KEYS AND COMMITTEE

We are getting prepared to hire pool keys to members of our school community again in Term 4 this year. We need some parents to set up a committee to help spread the workload, carry out pool testing (training will be provided) and keep an eye on the condition of the pool and surrounding area.

WITHOUT A POOL COMMITTEE WE WILL NOT BE ABLE TO HIRE OUT KEYS.

This will involve weekend and holiday break checks.

Parents on the Pool Committee will be provided a pool key free of charge for the swimming season to acknowledge their service to the school. If you would like to find out more about the pool committee or would like to volunteer, please contact Dave Lamont at school or email on office@koraunui.school.nz

ATTENDANCE AT SCHOOL

Below are the attendance rates for last week against the Ministry of Education headings. It makes such a positive difference to learning and friendships if tamariki are at school every day.

Ministry Headings	Attendance at school	Percentage students attend school
Regularly attending	90%+	66% of students attended school 9/10 days a
		fortnight
Irregular absence	80-89%	0% of students attended school 8/10 days a
		fortnight
Moderately absent	70-79%	13% of students attended school 7/10 days a
		fortnight
Chronically absent	less than 70%	21% of students attended school less than
, and the second		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.

KORAUNUI'S GOT TALENT SHOW!

The second heat of the talent show was held on Monday and was another great success and there was a wide range of talent and skills on display. The judges have had a tough time narrowing down the finalists for the grand final to be held next Thursday at 1.30pm.











DAFFODIL DAY FUNDRAISER

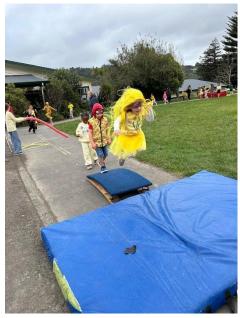
We would like to say a massive thanks to Mr G for organizing the daffodil fundraiser last

Friday. It was a great day for it and a nice way to bring everyone together for a great cause. There was so much yellow around the school and it was fantastic to see everyone getting behind the day. We would also like to thank KPG, Stokes Valley New World and our school whānau for getting involved in supporting this day.



A total of \$1,130.58 was raised for the Cancer Society. Thank you to everyone for your generosity.









50 Cent Stalls

50 cent stalls will be open to our Year 5 students from next Friday. This will help them get a head start on fundraising for their Year 6 camp in 2026. This will be every Friday at morning teatime outside Room 12 and 13. If wet this will be on the Kowhai Block deck. Please be mindful that items are all 50 cents so \$2 is the limit per child.



MOURI TUPU TREE PLANTING – ROOM 7

Over the past week tamariki have been planting some of the plants gifted to us by the Hutt City Council as a part of the Mouri Tupu campaign to plant 114,000 native trees and plants in the Lower Hutt region (one for every person in Lower Hutt).

We have been adding to the plants that we already have on our bank at school and look forward to nurturing these as they grow. It has been great to see tamariki being so enthusiastic about joining in with this initiative. Thanks to our new board member Jack, and Michelle, from EnviroSchool for coming to help out.













CRICKET SESSIONS

We have had Stokes Valley Cricket in at school this week taking cricket lessons for our senior tamariki and to promote their sign up day for the season ahead to be help on Saturday 13th September between 10.00am and 12.00pm at Delaney Park. They will have a BBQ running throughout the session and spot prizes.





PARENT CAREGIVER APP

The caregiver app is coming to our school soon. Please email the school on office@koraunui.school.nz to let us know if you do not wish your child's information to be available on the caregiver app for your family or if you have more questions.

We are planning on the app being a one stop shop where we can share information about our school, and to make communication between home and school easier for everyone using the app.

We will let you know when the app is ready for school use.



SCHOOL INVOICES

Thank you to all families who make regular payments and who contact us about outstanding payments for school and sporting activities. <u>If you haven't done so already, we ask that outstanding debts are either paid in full or regular part payments are made to clear amounts owing as soon as possible.</u>



If invoices go unpaid, even the \$5.00 that we ask for stationery and tissues, we will find it difficult to continue providing stationery, entering sports teams and providing KCC and 2 PM Club.

ROAD SAFETY AROUND THE SCHOOL - DRIVE SAFELY

We have noticed a number of dangerous driving behaviours such as

- Driving up onto the berm to do a U-turn or drop
- people doing U-turns on the road around the road patrols,
- using driveways to park in to collect children
- driving fast around the road patrols and school

These are all dangerous behaviours that are putting children and pedestrians at risk.

Please drive responsibly around the school and if needed, park up the road or on Montgomery Street and walk up to school to collect your children.

SCHOOL FACEBOOK PAGE AND WEBSITE

Remember to keep up to date with what we are up to via our <u>school facebook</u> group and <u>website</u>.



LOST PROPERTY

A sweatshirt has been taken from lost property that has a picture of a capybara on it. The person who owns this sweatshirt has been looking for it. Please have a look and see if it has arrived at your house can you please return it to the school office.

TOYS

We ask that parents please remind their children that they are not to bring their toys to school. Toys coming to school can cause unneeded disruption both in class and in the playground. The only time it will be okay for toys to come to school will be if your child's teacher informs you this is okay.



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.



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.

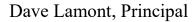
Some families have set up a regular bank credit to do the same thing. If you wish to do this, the lovely office ladies will help with this. Our account is Koraunui School Board of Trustees 12 3478-0015483-00

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.



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