



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

NEWSLETTER FIVE, TERM THREE

Friday 21 August 2026

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KIA ORA, TALOFA LAVA, AND WELCOME.

We are halfway through Term 3, and the time seems to be flying by. We have seen an increase in illnesses this term and it sounds like there maybe an increased risk of the flu spreading around the country over the next few weeks. If your tamariki are unwell, please keep them at home. We need to do all we can to keep ourselves and everyone around us well.



We are encouraging tamariki to use our KORAU Values in their words and actions around the school and with everyone. These are the basis of how we build relationships and work together. It is fantastic to see so many tamariki doing this, managing themselves and looking out for those around them.

STAFF ONLY DAY FRIDAY 11th SEPTEMBER

SCHOOL WILL BE CLOSED THIS DAY

We will be joining schools from Tāita and Stokes Valley for a staff only day on Friday 11th September.

KCC WILL BE CLOSED THIS DAY

WHAT'S COMING UP?

TERM 3

Week 5

- Friday 21st August: KPG Disco. Juniors (Years 1-3) 5.00-6.00pm. Seniors (Years 4-6) 6.30-7.30pm.

Week 6

- Monday 24th August: Talent Show Round 2. 1.30pm in the hall
- Wednesday 26th August: Tāita College Sports Rotation at lunchtime
- Thursday 27th August: Te Puawaitanga o te Kakano Te Papa trip
- Friday 28th August: School Assembly hosted by Kauri Team – 9.10am

Week 7

- Tuesday 1st September: Talent Quest Final. 1.30pm in the hall

Week 8

- Monday 7th September: Papua New Guinea Pidgin Language Week
- Thursday 10th September: Senior Dodgeball Tournament TBC
- Friday 11th September: SCHOOL & KCC CLOSED FOR STAFF ONLY DAY

Week 9

- Monday 14th September: Te Wiki o te reo Māori
- Monday 14th September: Girls Futsal Festival Year 3-6 TBC
- Wednesday 16th September: School Board meeting in the staffroom at 7.00pm



A poster for the Mid Winter Disco event. It features a blue background with white snowflakes and a disco ball at the top. The text is in a black serif font.

Mid Winter Disco

Friday 21st August

Juniors: 5pm - 6pm
Seniors 6:30pm 7:30pm

Tickets \$2 - Door sales
Snacks | Drinks | Glowsticks |
Temporary Tattoos
Priced from \$1



A poster for the Mid Winter Disco event, identical to the one on the left but with a price list added. It features a blue background with white snowflakes and a disco ball at the top. The text is in a black serif font.

Mid Winter Disco

Friday 21st August

Price List

Ticket - \$2 (Door Sales)
Canned Drinks - \$2
Juice - \$1
Hot Chocolate - \$1
Snacks - \$1
Chocolates - \$1
Baking - \$2
Temporary Tattoos - \$1-2
Glowsticks - \$2

TERM DATES 2026

End of Term 3 Friday 25 September
Start of Term 4 Monday 12 October
End of Term 4 Wednesday 16 December

Start of Term 1 2027 Monday 1 February



Keep up to date with events happening at school using our calendar on the school website <https://koraunui.school.nz/events> or using the calendar on the school app.

AVALON INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL ENROLMENTS

All enrolments for Avalon Intermediate for 2027 must be received by Friday 11th September 2026.

Applications can be made online at avalonintermediate.school.nz/enrolment-information or by picking up an enrolment pack from the school office.



If you have paper forms you can hand them into Koraunui School office and someone from Avalon Intermediate will arrange pick up next Thursday.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES POLICY DOCUMENTATION



Koraunui School

As a part of this term policy review, our Board of Trustees is seeking parent and school community input about **School Community Engagement, Inclusive School Culture, Enrolment, Student Attendance, School Uniform/Student Dress Expectations, Concerns and Complaints.**

Instructions for parents to access policy review.

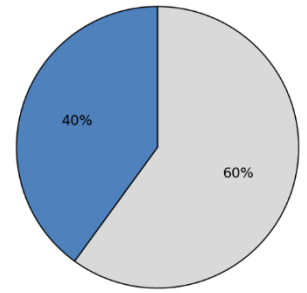
1. Visit the website <https://koraunui.schooldocs.co.nz/1893.htm>
2. Enter the username (koraunui) and password (koraunui).
3. Follow the link to the relevant policy as listed.
4. Read the policy.
5. Click the **Start your review** button at the top right-hand corner of the page.
6. Select the reviewer 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".

If you don't have internet access, school office staff can provide you with printed copies of the policy and a review form. **Please complete before Monday 7th September.**

ATTENDANCE

This term we currently have 40% of all tamariki attending school 90% or more of the time. This is 4 out of 5 days each week.

Daily attendance is important for tamariki to make the most of learning opportunities and build strong relationships with their peers and staff at school.



Some of the absence has been due to illness and justifiable reasons for absence. Of concern continues to be the number of parents/whānau that are not contacting us about absences and those we cannot contact and those whose absence is below 80%.

If your tamariki is absent from school please contact the office through the parent app, email, the school website or call the school. If we don't receive notification tamariki will be marked as truant.



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

KORAUNUI SCHOOL PRODUCTION 2026- SAVE THE DATE

We're excited to present Koraunui Lost in Space...
Finding Our Way Home.

This will be held in the school hall.

Performance Schedule:

Tue 20 Oct: 11:00 AM (Morning Show) and 5:00 PM (Evening Show)

Wed 21 Oct: 5:00 PM* (Evening – conditional on ticket demand)



Ticket purchasing info is coming soon.

While families are only encouraged to buy tickets for one show, we please ask all students to participate in every performance.

Please inform your child's teacher if they cannot attend a show.

TOYS

We are seeing more tamariki bringing toys to school. We ask that parents please remind their children that they are not to bring their toys to school and check this is not happening. 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.



PACIFIC LANGUAGE WEEKS

This week we are celebrating Tonga Language Week.

The 2026 theme for Tonga Language Week is **Ko 'etau hiva, ko e fe'unu mahu'inga ia ki he mo'ui 'a e Tonga - Our music is a vital strand of our Tongan culture.**

Information about Tonga and other Pacific Island nations can be found [HERE](#)



KORAUNUI'S GOT TALENT



It was great to see tamariki sharing their talents with us all in the first round of the talent show on Tuesday. There was a wide range of talents on display including singing, telling jokes and dancing. Mabel and Nation did a fantastic job MCing the show.

Round 2 will take place on Monday 18th August. We look forward to seeing the performances on this day.

This is a fun, in-house event designed to celebrate the amazing talents of our tamariki.

Thank you to Mrs McLeod for organising the talent show for our tamariki.

AVALON INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL – YEAR 6 VISIT

Recently our Year 6 tamariki spent a day at Avalon Intermediate learning about the school and experiencing some of what is on offer to them when they go to Intermediate School. Everyone came back excited about the opportunities available to them over the next 2 years and enjoyed reconnecting with some of our former tamariki who attend school there.



POOL COMMITTEE

We are getting prepared for swimming in the school pool in Term 4. Before we hire pool keys to members of our school community 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



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.



MESSAGE FROM HUTT CITY COUNCIL

New drinking water pipe for Kairimu Street and Akepiro Grove.

Work has begun today to replace 435 metres of drinking water pipe on Kairimu Street and Akepiro Grove.

The contractor carrying out this project is GP Friel. They expect to begin the work in late-May and have it completed in August 2026.

Traffic management will be in place to keep everyone safe and guide traffic around the works.

2PM CLUB

All children will need to be booked into 2PM Club by [clicking here](#) even if they attended last year. 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.



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 regular bank credits 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 PARENT APP

We have launched the Koraunui School @school Parent App. This is managed through our school student management system that we use for attendance, recording and reporting progress and achievement and other relevant information about tamariki. This is a secure system that is for our school and tamariki.

The App is a part of this system that can be used by the school and parents for communication, reporting absences and information sharing.

You should have received an email with information about how to install the app, set it up and use it. Please contact the office if you didn't and check we have the correct contact details for you in our system.

Keep up to date with photos and information of what is happening around the school and in the classrooms on our Facebook page, in our newsletters and emails from the classroom teachers.

If you would like to join our Facebook page please make sure you complete all the membership questions.



2026 ELECTION



With the election planned for November this year, it is important that everyone who is eligible to vote enrolls so they can have their say.

Enrolling is easy and can be done online for both the general and

Māori rolls.

Information about how to enrol and the upcoming election can be found here: [Home](#) | [Vote NZ](#).

See below for key dates leading up to the election.

Kia pai tō wiki – have a great week everyone.

Dave Lamont

Principal

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KEY DATES		YOUR VOTE MATTERS. ✈️
📅	AUG 6, 2026	Last day to change your Māori Electoral Roll choice
📅	OCT 1, 2026	Parliament's term officially ends
📅	OCT 4, 2026	Governor-General officially calls the General Election
📅	OCT 21, 2026	Overseas voting starts
📅	OCT 25, 2026	Last day to enrol to vote
📅	OCT 26, 2026	Advance voting starts
📅	NOV 7, 2026	Election Day Voting places open 9am – 7pm
📅	NOV 27, 2026	Official election results announced
📅	DEC 3, 2026	Election process formally completed
OUR PEOPLE. OUR MOVEMENT.		

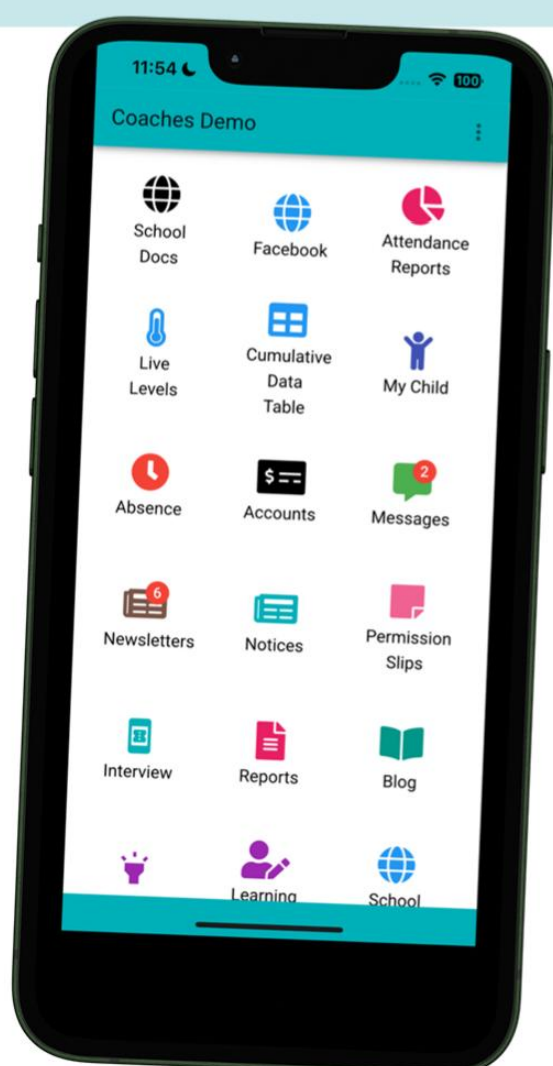


Designed to make communication between home and school easier for families, the @school Caregiver App is part of your school's student management system, eTAP.

What you see reflects real-time, secure data on your child and school, ad-free, connected and easy to use.

@school Caregiver App

**SIMPLE, SECURE AND DIRECT
CONNECTION WITH YOUR CHILD'S
SCHOOL AND LEARNING**



ALL YOU NEED IN ONE APP

@school gives you a private, real-time view of your child's school information.

- Easy to access
- Free to use
- No ads
- Only see what you need about your own child and school
- Password protected and secure
- Customised by your school to suit your community

FEATURES FOR FAMILIES

Your school chooses which features to enable. Common features include:

- Notify school of lateness or absences and see attendance info
- Read and sign Permission slips
- Get notified of sickbay entries when they happen
- Book interview times
- Update personal information
- Read notices and newsletters
- Message the teacher or office directly
- Access reports, latest assessment information and 'Live levels'
- View financial transactions and receipts
- See all your children in one app without switching accounts, even from multiple eTAP schools.

HOW TO GET STARTED:

Download **eTAP @school** from your app store or use securely on any device through your browser on

<https://www.atschool.co.nz/app/login>.

Follow the login instructions provided by your school.

Enrol. Vote. Be heard.

vote.nz

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