



Poipoa te kākano kia puāwai – *Nurture the seed and it will thrive*

## **NEWSLETTER NINE, TERM FOUR**

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**KIA ORA, TALOFA LAVA, AND WELCOME.**

### **COVID-19 ALERT LEVELS**



We would like to thank our school community for their support with the guidelines we have been required to implement this year due to the COVID-19 outbreak. It

has been challenging at times and we have missed being able to have parents and whanau involved in school life as we would like. In 2022, we will be operating under the traffic light system. We are looking forward to returning to more normality next year under this system.



### **END OF YEAR MESSAGE**

The end of the year provides us with time to look back on the year that has been. This has certainly been a year that has provided us with some new challenges that we have all had to adapt to. This year there have also been many highlights for us to celebrate. At Koraunui School we aim to provide tamariki with many rich learning opportunities and we thank our school community for the support that has been provided as we work together for the good of the tamariki. We are all looking forward to a break over the summer where we can recharge and spend some time with our families before we launch into the new year in 2021.



### **FAREWELL FOR STAFF**

Today we said farewell to some of our staff who will not be returning in 2021. To Whaea Kataraina, Whaea Sharron, Mrs K and Whaea Lola, we thank them all for their service to our school and for sharing their passion for learning and education with us all. We wish them well for the future.

## NEW STAFF FOR 2022

Further to the staff mentioned above, the Board of Trustees would like to welcome Miss Ceri Giddens who will be joining our teaching team next year. Ceri has been teaching at Tui Glen and Taita Central Schools this year. We look forward to Ceri joining our team next year.

**Year 6 Graduation** – we were delighted to be able to give our Year 6 tamariki a fantastic send off last yesterday and to celebrate the end of their time at Koraunui School. Thank you to the whanau who watched the live stream, we are working on making the recording available for whanau of our Year 6 tamariki. We are very proud of the way our Year 6 students have stepped up during another unsettling year and worked to model the KORAU values for others around the school.



Congratulations to all those who received special awards.

### Award Winners for 2021

**Visual Art Trophy** - Felicity

**Rachel Juno Cup** – Jireh

**Kapahaka Leadership** - Esera

**Te Reo Maori me ona Tikanga** - Esera

**Pasifika Leadership** – Jayla & Esera

**Young Scientist of the Year** – Felicity

**Kaitiaki Award** – Fea, Felicity, Alexander, Sakhoya

**Young Writer of the Year** – Brooke & Madison

**Music Award** – Jayla & Kaya

**Patroller of the Year** – Logan

**Overall Academic Excellence** – Madison, Felicity, Alexander, Esera, Bart

**KORAU Award** – Felicity, Esera, Marley, Emma, Cody

**KORAU Trophy** – Fea, Jayla, Will

## NEW PLAYGROUND

Next year we will be getting a new playground installed at school. We had the tamariki help select what components they wanted and then choose their preferred design and colours from the designs created for us. This is the design and colour scheme that was voted for the most. We are hoping to have the playground installed by Term 2 next year. 😊



## END OF YEAR REPORTS

All reports should be sent home by today. Please check your children's bag if you haven't seen a report. If they don't have a report please contact the classroom teacher.



## START OF 2022



Our start date for 2022 is **Wednesday 2 February**. We will have staff only days on the Monday 31 January and Tuesday 1 February.

We will be taking a break from social media over the Christmas break and so will be putting a pause on our school Facebook page from Thursday 23 December through until Monday 10 January when the holiday programme begins again.



## HUTT CITY COUNCIL RACE TO 90%

Congratulations to everyone in Lower Hutt. 90% of the population have now received their double vaccination for COVID-19



**Currently Hutt City is at 95% first vaccination and 90% second vaccination**

We look forward to receiving \$3,000 for the Hutt City Council for supporting their efforts to get to 90% double vaccinations.



Please click on this link to find a vaccination centre nearby [Book My Vaccination](#)

## SCHOOL INVOICES



Thank you to all families who have made some payments or contacted us about outstanding payments for school and sporting activities. If you haven't done so already, we ask that these are either paid in full or regular part payments are made to clear debts. During the year we are often required to pay for activities and fees in advance and the school carries this debt until payments are made by parents. If you would like to discuss your invoice, please contact the school office.

## ENROLMENTS

Do you have or know of any 5-year old children who are starting school this year or next year? New student enrolment forms are available at the office or on our website under "About us". If you require further information, please contact the office on 939 9707 or message us on our school website or Facebook page.

## 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.

Dave Lamont  
Principal

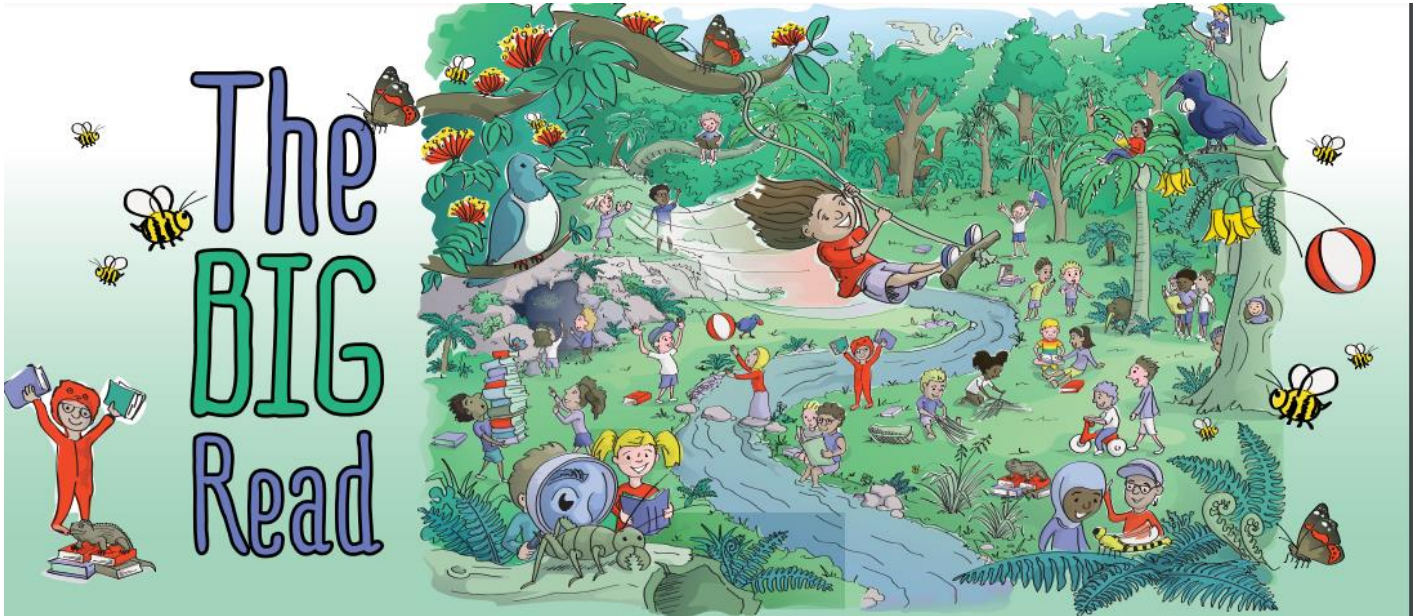
## WHATS COMING UP THIS TERM?

### Term 4

- Wednesday 15 December: End of Term 4 at noon (children go home)

### 2022 START OF YEAR

- Term 1 2022 will begin on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> February



From the 1<sup>st</sup> of December Hutt City Libraries is getting tamariki excited about reading over the summer holidays.

### **How our summer reading challenge works:**

- It is free! Tamariki aged 5 and over can pick up a Big Read Journal at any of our libraries; they don't need a library card.
- There are three levels, pihinga/sprout, māhuri/sapling and kōhure/tree. The number of pūrākau/stories and tākaro/play activity increases with each level.
- The journal is like a reading log and tamariki are encouraged to talk about what they are reading or listening to with library staff.
- Tamariki complete fun tākaro/play activities such as reading a book with a kaumatua or someone in their whānau or designing a brand-new cover for a book.
- Tamariki can win prizes for reading.