

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

## NEWSLETTER NINE, TERM ONE

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# KIA ORA, TALOFA LAVA, AND WELCOME.

The end of term is approaching quickly and with only a couple of weeks until the break, we would like to thank our school community for the support we have been given as we have navigated our way through COVID-19 entering our world. It has been a challenging time for everyone, but in times like these we see how much community supporting each other can help with getting through. We are looking forward to getting back to some sense of normality, possibly next term, and being able to come together as a school community again. In the meantime we will continue with the COVID processes we have in place as we feel this is limiting the spread of COIVD within our school.

# **STAFF ONLY DAY – SCHOOL CLOSED**

**School will be closed this Friday 1 April** as we will be holding a staff development day. All staff from the school will be taking part in this day. Some will be onsite, and others will be joining in the day off site as we will continue to maintain our separate areas across the school should these still be in place on this day.

KCC will also be closed for the day.

## **COVID Red Light Processes – COVID Cases**



Over the past week we have continued to see a steady number of people from our school and school community either test positive for COVID-19 or isolating as close household contacts. To date we have had 40 people who have tested positive for COVID-19 who haven't already been in isolation at home. 25 of these people have now returned to school after completing their isolation time. We have had a number of

children also testing positive while they have been home isolating as household contacts. It is great to see those who have been isolating coming back to school each day. It would be great to see as many children back as school as possible before the end of term.

#### If anyone needs RATs, please contact the school office as we have been provided a good supply by Te Awakairangi Health that we can distribute to school whanau who need to carry out COVID tests. PLEASE DO NOT BUY TESTS AS WE CAN NOW ACCESS THESE FOR FREE.

We would like to remind everyone that all information we receive about COVID cases is kept confidential and people's privacy will be maintained at all times. Any correspondence to parents and whanau from the school about positive COVID cases will be anonymous and only list the classroom the people who test positive are in.

Information about isolation periods and testing for positive COVID-19 cases and household contacts is below with more detail available on our school website HERE. The image below shows key dates for people isolating.



## **HEAD LICE**



We have been informed by some parents that their children have headlice. We ask that you please check your children's hair, especially if you notice them scratching. Information about preventing the spread of headlice can be found at the following website https://www.kidshealth.org.nz/head-lice. We have some treatment products available at school. Please contact the school office for advice and support.

## KCC HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

Information about the holiday programme for the April holidays is available on our school website and towards the end of this newsletter. Please contact the office for an Expression of Interest form. All bookings need to be into the office by next Monday 4 April so we can confirm programmes and staffing. We currently have only a small number of bookings. This could impact how we run the holiday programme. If you intend to send your child/ children, please register as soon as possible. If you have any questions, please contact the school office.

**LUCKY BOOK CLUB – only online orders are being taken**. No cash will be accepted at school. All orders for Term 1 need to be in by Monday 11 April.



#### MOVIN' MARCH – LET'S GET MOVIN'! WHĀNAU PHOTO COMPETITION / WEEK 5 🛱 We'd love to know more



#### WEEK 5

What benefits do your tamariki get from walking or wheeling to school?



about what benefits your tamariki 🞯 🛛 get from walking 🎗 or wheeling 🚴 to school.

Share your photo in the comments below for a chance to WIN a Micro Scooter from Micro Scooters Australia & NZ or a Family Pass to Staglands Wildlife Reserve & Cafe or Zealandia Ecosanctuary .

We have **15 prizes to give away**! All winners announced before Mon 11 April 2022.

*See Terms and Conditions* > <u>https://schooltravel.gw.govt.nz/.../T+Cs-Whanau-Photo...</u> or <u>https://schooltravel.gw.govt.nz/.../movinmarch-competitions/</u>

Remember to keep walking, biking and scooting to and from kura everyday for the month of March – every passport will be put in the draw for the competition being run by Greater Wellington Council. "Record your walk or wheel trips over March and be in to win on of 12 x \$400 <u>MYRIDElaunch</u> vouchers! This popular challenge invites tamariki to collect stamps on a passport every time they walk or wheel to/from school during Movin'March."

# **TOUCH RUGBY**

Thank you to the players and parents/caregivers for allowing your tamariki to play touch and represent Koraunui so well this term.

While it has been a disruptive season, we hope for a more settled and even better competition in Term 4. We look forward

to getting more tamariki involved in touch. Be sure to keep an eye out for touch enrolment late Term 3.

# NETBALL

The netball season is fast approaching. We are excited to be able to have two teams competing in the Upper Hutt Junior Netball

competition which will be played at Heretaunga College from Term 2. Please keep an eye out for times of practices and games.

A big thank you to our two coaches. Without your support our teams would not be possible. A reminder both your notice and money need to back in to kura ASAP Ngā mihi,

Mr G

# HATS & WATER BOTTLES

It is fantastic to see so many children with hats on. Please make sure your child has a **<u>sunhat to keep at school, clearly named</u>** on the hat so any ownership disputes can be quickly resolved.

We encourage children to bring <u>**named water bottles**</u> with them to help keep them hydrated during the day.







# GOOD NEWS

# FANCY FEET DAY 2022

As an end of Movin' March celebration, we will be holding our Fancy Feet Day this

**Thursday**. If the weather is good, we will have a combined parade on the top field (while remaining in our team bubbles). We would love to see as many of our tamariki sharing their creativity with their footwear on this day. A reminder that this is the last week for

collecting stamps on passports for tamariki who are walking, biking and scooting to/from kura.



#### TANGAROA MURAL

A keen group of artists, led by Whaea Ceri from Fetu o le Moana have been working on designs for a mural based on Tangaroa to brighten up the senior playground. Last week Mr Lamont had a video chat with them about their ideas and provided some "expert" feedback on their designs.

The team is planning on choosing some elements from each design and combining them into a final concept. Once they have a finalized sketch, they'll nail down the colours before getting started on the painting while the



weather's still fine 😊. We are all looking forward to seeing the end result.

## **ROOM 4 STAR READERS**

The Star reading group in Room 4 – Jacob, Bodhi, Nixon and Aubree, have been studying the ORCA. As their Reading Response the children looked up National Geographic Kids website – 28 facts about the Orca. They chose some of them to present on their colourful poster.

- Males weigh more than the females
- They have a distinctive black and white skin
- Their top speed is 56 km/h
- Their life span is between 30 and 90 years.
- They usually stay near the coast.

The children also wrote interesting questions for others in the group to research. Lots of learning has been happening in Room 4.



#### **BANK ACCOUNTS**

Many families keep a small bank account with the school office to pay for stationery and sports fees. If you would like to do this, bring in some cash and talk to Melva or Maree and they 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.

#### WHATS COMING UP THIS TERM?

#### Week Eight onwards:

- Friday 1 April: STAFF ONLY DAY SCHOOL CLOSED, NO KCC THIS DAY
- Thursday 14 April: End of Term 1
- Monday 2 May: Term Two starts

Dave Lamont Principal

#### KCC HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

Once your booking is confirmed you are liable for the charges, whether your child attends the programme or not, unless notification of cancellation is received by Wednesday 13 April 2022.

Monday 18 April	Tuesday 19	Wednesday 20	Thursday 21	Friday 22 April
	April	April	April	Science
Closed	Decorate a Mug	Decorate a key tag	Rainbow yarn	experiments
Easter Monday			craft	
Monday 25 April	Tuesday 26	Wednesday 27	Thursday 28	Friday 29 April
Closed ANZAC	April	April	April	Party and games
Day	Boomerang	String art	Art activities	day
	decoration		with local artist	

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.

#### Koraunui Kids Care Holiday Programme - Expression of Interest

Please note this is an indication only, an enrolment form will be sent on receipt of this form.

Childs Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Contact Number: \_\_\_\_\_

April	7am–8am	8am-12pm	12-5pm	5-5:45pm	9-3pm	Total to pay
Tuesday 19	\$5.00	\$20.00	\$25.00	\$3.75	\$30.00	
Wednesday 20	\$5.00	\$20.00	\$25.00	\$3.75	\$30.00	
Thursday 21	\$5.00	\$20.00	\$25.00	\$3.75	\$30.00	
Friday 22	\$5.00	\$20.00	\$25.00	\$3.75	\$30.00	
Total						

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Monday 25*	\$5.00	\$20.00	\$25.00	\$3.75	\$30.00	
Tuesday 26	\$5.00	\$20.00	\$25.00	\$3.75	\$30.00	
Wednesday 27	\$5.00	\$20.00	\$25.00	\$3.75	\$30.00	
Thursday 28	\$5.00	\$20.00	\$25.00	\$3.75	\$30.00	
Friday 29	\$5.00	\$20.00	\$25.00	\$3.75	\$30.00	
					Total	

\*Please note as per our policies, fees will apply for any public holidays that fall on any of your child's regular days of care.

Please fill in spaces for sessions you would like your child to attend and return this booking form to the school office by Monday 4 April.



# Hutt United Hockey Club welcomes new & returning players! Come play hockey! 2022 Season registrations are now open

Kia ora,

Is your child keen to have a go at field hockey? Come along to our Junior Hockey Huihuinga (taster evenings) in March and early April.

Hutt United Hockey is a vibrant Hutt Valley based hockey club with a strong focus on whānau and fun. We run junior teams for children from Year 3 to year 8. The training

sessions and games are positive and fun, increasing in competitiveness as children progress up the grades.

Hockey is a winter sport, with the season starting at the beginning of term 2 and running through to the end of term 3. Teams practice once a week and games are played on Saturday mornings.

Hockey is great for kids! Playing hockey improves coordination and balance, builds teamwork, enhances mental strength and cardio fitness. All your child needs is a stick (the club has some to spare), shinpads, sports shoes and a mouthguard. Subs are \$95 for the whole season.

# All welcome to our pre-season JUNIOR HOCKEY HUIHUINGA taster evenings! Just turn up! To manage numbers we're running *one Wednesday evening session per age group*:

- **30 March** (**Yr 5/6**) taster at Fraser Park turf, Avalon, 6-7.30pm
- 6th April (Year 3/4) taster at Fraser Park turf, Avalon, 6-7.30pm.

**Come along - all are welcome!** These are optional fun sessions, no registration needed, just turn up. *In the "Red" traffic light setting, Wellington Hockey requires those attending with their children to have their vaccine passes and to wear masks.* 

# HUHC Junior registrations for the 2022 season are open! Register here:

https://airtable.com/shrFMPwd0saimSL7w Registrations must be in by 30 March!!

**HUHC Club Day!** For those who would like to know more about our club, and see our senior players in action, please join us for the Hutt United Hockey Club Day from 10.30am on Saturday 12 March at the National Hockey Stadium in Newtown. The Men's P1 game starts 11am. Then at 12.15pm there will be a 30 minute session for tamariki to have a hit around with our top players!! Then the Women's P1 play afterwards.

If you have any questions, check our website (<u>www.huttunitedhockeyclub.co.nz/juniors</u>) or contact <u>huttunitedhockeyjuniors@gmail.com</u>.

