

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

NEWSLETTER THREE, TERM FOUR Kawerongo toru, wāhanga wha

<u>Thursday 7th November, 2024</u> Ko te Tāite-7- Noema

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KIA ORA, TALOFA LAVA, MĀLŌ E LELEI, AND WELCOME

Welcome to Enzo who has joined his brother at Kura this week.

WHATS COMING UP IN TERM/WĀHANGA 4

Week 4

• Friday 8th November – KPG Disco 5.00-6.00pm junior, 6.30-7.30pm senior Week 5

- Tuesday 12thNovember Koraunui Kindy Visiting 9.15am
- Tuesday 12th November Year 5 Patrol Training with Constable Blue 9am
- Wednesday 13th November Junior School Athletics 10.30 12.30
- Thursday 14th November Te Omanga Hospice Gardens of Appreciation Ceremony 5.30pm
- Friday 15th November Diabetes awareness day Blue day gold coin donation

Week 6

• Tuesday 19th – Friday 22nd November – Year 6 camp at Makahika OPC Week 7

- Wednesday 27th November Koraunui Marae Open Day 10.am-2.00pm
- Thursday 28th November Te Puāwaitanga o te Kākano Zoo Trip

Week 8

- Wednesday 4th December Board of Trustees meeting, 7.00pm in the staffroom
- Thursday 5th December Hutt Fest Pasifika/Kapa Haka performers celebration TBC Week 9
 - Monday 9th December Year 6 Surf Life Saving Day Worser Bay
 - Thursday 12th December Year 6 Graduation

Week 10

• Tuesday 17th December – Last day of term. School finishes at noon. No KCC.



STAFFING CHANGES FOR 2025

The Board of Trustees would like to share some staffing changes that will be happening in 2025. What Ceri and What Lily will be heading overseas next year and What Ana will be teaching at Avalon Intermediate School next year. We will miss these Kaiako and are grateful for the way they have shared their skills, knowledge and passion with our school and tamariki during their time with us.

We are delighted to announce that we have appointed Sarah McLeod (currently Mr G's release teacher) and Sarah Hutchison (currently at Avalon Intermediate School) to positions for 2025. We are currently advertising for one more Kaiako.

SUN HATS



All children are required to wear sunhats at school during Term 4. <u>Please make sure that all children bring named hats</u> to wear at school to help protect them from the summer sun. We do not provide sunblock in classes as some children have had reactions in the past. Please put sunblock on your children before they leave home in the morning.

SCHOOL BASKETBALL UNIFORMS

Can all school basketball uniforms please be returned to school as soon as possible so they can be used this term and prepared for 2025. We are missing a lot of the small school uniforms - PLEASE CHECK.

Once found please return directly to the school office - we just need them back.



NORTHERN ZONE SCHOOL ATHLETICS

On Tuesday, we had a group of our senior tamariki represent Koraunui School at the Northern Zone athletics held at the Hutt Rec. They had a great day competing against the other schools. The sun was shining and KORAU values were on full display. Well done everyone who competed and a big thank you to the parents who helped.



AWESOME KORAUNUI KIDS

It has been fantastic to see so many of our tamariki displaying their writing, art, reading and speaking skills with us over the past week. The highlight was tamariki of Room 23 reading a big book to us at assembly last Friday. It is great to see so many aspiring to complete quality work and be the best they can be. Ka Rawe 😊









FROM THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES COMMUNITY USE OF THE SCHOOL POOL

The school board has agreed to hiring keys to parents in our school community over Term 4, the summer break and in Term 1 next year. This is an opportunity for students from our school and their families to make use of our pool outside school hours - during the summer. We are now taking expressions of interest from our parent community of who would like to hire a pool key. We have 20 keys to hire out this summer. Preference will be given to families who do not have outstanding debt with our school. If you are interested

in hiring a key, please contact the school office or email office@koraunui.school.nz

PLAYGROUND MATTING

We have been successful with some grant applications for matting to replace the matting for the playground outside Kowhai Block. At the board of trustees meeting last week our board agreed to top up the funding required to get this work done. We are grateful for the ongoing support of our school board that enables us to complete this work.

PARKING ON THE GRASS BERM

We have seen an increase in parents/whānau parking on the grass berms around the school grounds. This is dangerous for pedestrians and other drivers and it is ruining the grass. Please be safe around our school and help us look after our property by parking sensibly on the road.

JUNIOR SCHOOL ATHLETICS

Junior school athletics (Years 1-3) will be held next Wednesday 13th November between 10.30am-12.30pm. Parents and whanau are welcome to come along and support the children as they take part in the different events.

ATTENDANCE AT SCHOOL

Below are the attendance rates at school for last week against the Ministry of Education headings. <u>It is fantastic to see the number of tamariki regularly attending nearly at the Ministry of Education Target of 70%.</u>

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Ministry Headings	Attendance at school	Percentage students attend school
Regularly attending	90%+	63% of students attended school 9/10 days a
		fortnight
Irregular absence	80-89%	2% of students attended school 8/10 days a
		fortnight
Moderately absent	70-79%	15% of students attended school 7/10 days a
		fortnight
Chronically absent	less than 70%	20% of students attended school less than
-		7/10 days a fortnight

For the majority of tamariki who have been chronically absent we have had no contact with parents/whanau. For these tamariki 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.





START OF 2025 DATE

<u>Our start date for 2025 is Wednesday 29 January</u>. We will have staff only days on the days before this.

KCC HOLIDAY PROGRAMME CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY DATES (2024/2025) KCC will be running between Wednesday 18 to Friday 20 December 2024 and again from Monday 13 to Friday 24 January 2024 inclusive. All bookings for these sessions are due by Monday 4 December 2023. Please contact the office to book your children into the holiday programme. See the end of the newsletter for the holiday programme. The Form is available here.

STATIONERY

Next year we will be allocating some of the Ministry of Education donation scheme funding to school stationery. This will pay for stationery the children require throughout the school year. There will be no cost to parents/whanau for start of year stationery.

For us to be able to do this for ALL tamariki, we need all outstanding invoices paid. Money not paid for sports fees or KCC means we cannot provide the support for all tamariki and whānau that we want to.



IF YOU HAVE OUTSTANDING INVOICES TO PAY PLEASE DO SO.

KORAUNUI PARENT GROUP PRESENTS: END OF YEAR DISCO

Get ready to dance and party with our first Dress Up Disco on **Friday 8 November at the School Hall. 5.00 – 6.00pm for Juniors, 6:30pm – 7:30pm for Seniors**. There will be cash only stalls for snacks and Face Painting (Maximum cost up to \$1 each)

Tickets are \$2 each, which includes a free glow stick upon entry. Preschoolers are free (they must be supervised by an adult). Money from this fun night will go towards improving the Junior Playground.

To give us an idea of numbers, please fill out the form here (<u>https://forms.office.com/r/RN53TCyL93?origin=lprLink</u>). Please pay by cash on the night.

We are in need for parent volunteers to help with set up, during the event and pack up – please email us <u>KPG@koraunui.school.nz</u> if you can help. This is our first fundraising event and we hope to make it a successful night so your support is truly appreciated.

The KPG Team

KORAU VALUES

We are encouraging tamariki to show how KORAU values can be demonstrated through words and actions around the school. These are the basis on how we build relationships and work together. Our KORAU values are **KORAU** values are **KORAU** we show Kindness to people and the environment.

Kind/Manaakitanga	We show Kindness to people and the environment.	
Own/Rangatiratanga	We Own our own behaviour.	
Respect/Whakaute	We Respect the rules, people, and the school.	
Aspire/Wawata	We do quality work and strive for excellence.	
Unite/Whanaungatanga	We work as a team / whanau. We are inclusive.	





CLASS PLACEMENTS FOR 2025

We will soon begin the process of setting classes for 2025. If you have any information you would like to share about your child/children that we could consider when deciding on classes for next year <u>please discuss this with your child's teacher in the first instance, and as soon as possible (you may wish to do this face-to-face or email office@koraunui.school.nz)</u>. While it may not always be possible to meet everyone's needs, it is good for us to know about your thoughts as we work through this process.

KORAUNUI SCHOOL ENROLMENTS

Do you have or know of any 5-year-old children who are starting school this year or next year? We are enrolling tamariki for both bi-lingual classes in Te Puāwaitanga o te Kākano and our mainstream classes.

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, email <u>office@koraunui.school.nz</u>. We are happy to talk with parents about our Kura and show them round so they can get a feel for how wonderful our Kura is.

OVERDUE INVOICES

Thank you to those families that have paid or are continuing to pay their invoices. If you haven't and need to, please start doing so. <u>Outstanding fees need to be paid ASAP</u>, <u>especially sports</u>. If you have any questions or would like to discuss invoices and payments please contact the office.

CONTACT DETAILS

Thank you to those that have already updated their 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.

BREAKFAST CLUB

Breakfast Club is on each day from 8.00 - 8.30am. this will begin again next Monday. This is available for all tamariki from our Kura who wish to have breakfast when they arrive at school. We expect that all tamariki will demonstrate their KORAU values when at Breakfast Club. <u>If anyone would like to volunteer or help with Breakfast Club, please contact the school office.</u>

BANK ACCOUNTS

Many families keep a small bank account with the school office to pay for

items, events, 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





If you would like to your child to come to the above holiday programme, please fill in the attached request to enroll form and we will send you an enrollment form to fill out. All request to enroll forms need to be back to us by Tuesday 10 December.







10 am — 2pm Haere mai e te whanau, me o hog ki te whakanui i te ra tuwhera o Koraunui Marae i tenei tau.

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Bring your family and friends to celebrate Koraunui Marae open day. There will be many stalls for whanau to look at, kai available and entertainment from our local schools and whanau.

Nau Mai Haere Mai !

