



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

## NEWSLETTER ELEVEN, TERM ONE

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

As Term 1 draws to a close we would like to congratulate all the children who have consistently displayed the school KORAU values throughout the term. We have seen many instances where tamariki are uplifting each other's mana by being positive and supportive and saying encouraging comments. We have an amazing school and it takes everyone, working together, to create a culture where we can learn and grow individually and collectively. This is not always an easy or straight forward process but with perseverance and keeping our KORAU values at the front of our thinking, we can help the children be the best they can be. We wish everyone a safe and happy term break and look forward to seeing everyone back again next term.



## **WHAT'S COMING UP THIS TERM?**

### **Week Eleven**

- Friday 11<sup>th</sup> April: Final assembly for the term
- Friday 11<sup>th</sup> April: **Term 1 ends today at 2.00pm**

### **Term 2**

- Monday 28<sup>th</sup> April: Start of Term 2 – School starts at 8.30am

## **SCHOOL POOL**

We will be closing the school pool after tomorrow for Terms 3 & 4. It has been fantastic to have it open all of Term 1, and it has certainly had a lot of use. We will open the pool again in Term 4.



## SCHOOL POOL KEY HOLDERS



Thank you to all key holders who have returned their pool keys to the office. Can all parents/whānau who still have a school pool key please return these to the office by the end of tomorrow. We will issue keys to parents/whānau again in Term 4.

## ATTENDANCE AT SCHOOL

Below are the attendance rates at school for this week against the Ministry of Education headings. It has been great to see most tamariki at school every day so far this year. It makes such a positive difference to their learning and friendships if they are at school every day.

Ministry Headings	Attendance at school	Percentage students attend school
Regularly attending	90%+	<b>66% of students</b> attended school 9/10 days a fortnight
Irregular absence	80-89%	<b>14% of students</b> attended school 8/10 days a fortnight
Moderately absent	70-79%	<b>1% of students</b> attended school 7/10 days a fortnight
Chronically absent	less than 70%	<b>9% of students</b> attended school less than 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.**

## DUFFY BOOK ROLE MODEL ASSEMBLY

We had a fantastic Duffy Role Model Assembly last Friday. We were super lucky to have former Silver Fern and General Manager of Duffy Books, Linda Vagana come and share her story and love for reading with the tamariki. Tamariki were hooked on every word she said, and it was amazing to hear how through playing netball she got to see over 50 countries around the world.

Thank you to Stevie and Aubree for being such wonderful hosts, welcoming Linda, and making her feel so welcome.

We are grateful to the support of the Juno family and other supporters who through their generosity we are able to be a part of the Duffy Books programme.



## PYJAMA DAY



**It was great to see so many tamariki and staff join in the fun of pyjama day on Tuesday.** \$138 was raised which will be added to the fundraising our wonderful KPG group are doing for some new playground equipment for our tamariki.

## ROOM 12 WRITING

To Mr Lamont

Can we wear our pyjamas every day please? They are comfortable and fluffy to wear.

From James

To Mr Lamont

Can we wear our pyjamas every day please?

1. I think it would be really fun.
2. So Room 12 can have fun.
3. They keep us warm and cosy.

Maybe we can wear our PJ's on Fridays and Mondays.

From Reremoana

## 50 Cent Stalls



**50 cent stalls are run by our Year 6 students as a part of their camp fundraising** This will be every Friday at

morning teatime outside Room 12 and 13. Please be mindful that items are all 50 cents so \$2 is the limit per child.



## PLAYGROUND MATTING REPLACEMENT

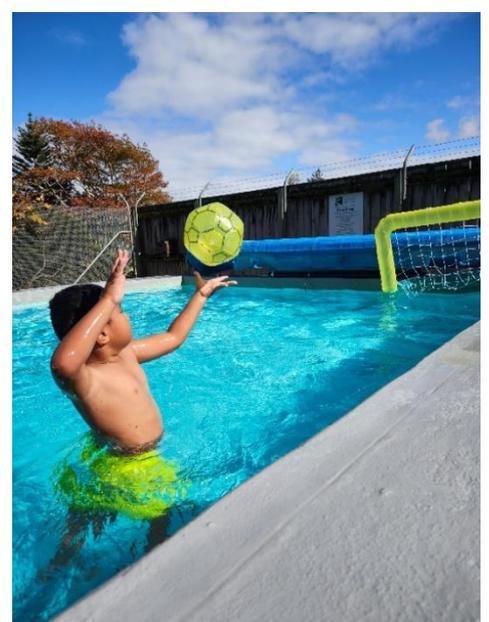
Over the April holiday break, we are having the matting under the playground outside Kowhai Block replaced. The current rubber tiles will be available to parents and whānau who would like to take some for their homes from after school today, Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> April. The playground will be closed during this time for health and safety. If you would like to take some of the rubber tiles please check in with the office first.



## ROOM 12'S POOLSIDE FUN!

Room 12 has been making the most of the last days of the school pool being open with some exciting water polo matches! Students dove into the fun, learning the basics, and showing great teamwork and enthusiasm.

The splashing and laughter have been a highlight for this term, creating great memories before the pool closes for the season.



## SCHOOL INVOICES

Today invoices were emailed home. 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 as soon as possible. We rely on invoices being paid to help with providing the many sporting opportunities along with KCC and 2 PM Club we provide for your children.



## 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.



## SCHOOL FACEBOOK PAGE

Remember to keep up to date with what we are up to via our school website.

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## FROM THE SCHOOL BOARD

The triennial election for parent representatives for the school board is taking place again this September. This is an opportunity for parents to become involved in school life at a governance level. Our board needs 5 parent representatives to work alongside 1 staff representative and Dave as Principal. If you are interested in finding out more about what is involved with being on our school board please contact Dave, Spencer (our Presiding Member) or any board members, our email addresses are at the top of the newsletter.

You can also visit the school trustee election website [HERE](#) and watch a video that was made in 2022 for the last election <https://vimeo.com/722037996> that features Rachel our former board chairperson.

## 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.



Ngā mihi,  
Dave Lamont, Principal