



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

NEWSLETTER EIGHT, TERM FOUR

Kawerongo waru, wāhanga wha

Friday 13th December, 2024

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

WHATS COMING UP IN TERM/WĀHANGA 4

Week 9

- Friday 13th December – End of Year reports go home

Week 10

- Monday 16th December – Year 6 Mystery Bus Tour (after school until late)
- Monday 16th December - Kauri Team trip to new Te Ngaengae Pool - 12 noon
- Tuesday 17th December – Last day of term. Assembly at 11.00am. School finishes at noon. No KCC.

2025

- Thursday 23rd January – Visit the classroom and meet the classroom teacher 1.30-2.30pm
- Wednesday 29th January – Start of Term 1. We will have a mihi whakatau at 9.00am to welcome new staff, tamariki and whānau.

END OF YEAR MESSAGE

The end of the year provides us with time to look back on the year that has been. There have been many highlights this year and we are proud of the way our tamariki have approached new learning, friendships and challenges in a positive and enthusiastic way.

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 benefit 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 2025. We wish everyone a happy and safe summer break.



YEAR 6 GRADUATION

We were delighted to be able to give our Year 6 tamariki a fun and fitting send off yesterday to celebrate the end of their time at Koraunui School. Thank you to the whanau who came along to join in this celebration with us. We are very proud of the way our Year 6 students have stepped up this year and worked to model the KORAU values for others around the school. Congratulations to all those who received special awards.



Award Winners for 2024

Karl Wolcott Award – Te Aewa

Visual Art Trophy – Taliyah

Young Writer of the Year – Elliot

Rachel Juno Cup – Tanerau

Duffy Mainfreight Award - Usaia

Kapahaka Leadership – Usaia & Jahzarn

Te reo Māori me ona Tikanga Award - Jahzarn

Pasifika Leadership – Usaia & Keungapoko

Kaitiaki Award – Legalo

Patroller of the Year – Alice

Oratory Award – Usaia & Jahzarn

Overall Academic Excellence – Elliot

KORAU Award – Te Aewa, Teariki, Usaia, Keungapoko, Taliyah, Emily & Lincoln

KORAU Trophy – Te Aewa

START OF 2025 DATE

Our start date for 2025 is Wednesday 29 January. Staff only days will be held on Monday 27 & Tuesday 28 January.

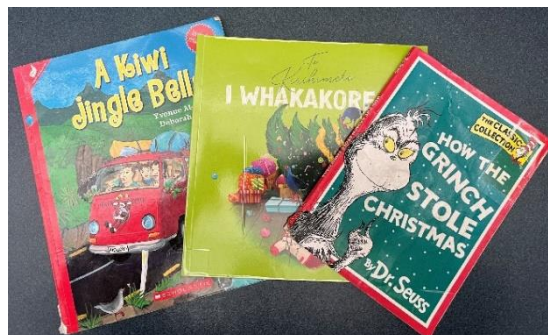
On Thursday 23 January between 1.30 & 2.30pm school will be open for tamariki and whānau to visit their Kaiako in the classroom space so they can have a look around before school starts.



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 Monday 23 December through until Friday 10 January before the holiday programme begins again.

SCHOOL LIBRARY BOOK RETURNS

Our school library is now closed. Can all school library books that are currently issued to students please be returned to school so we can store them back in the library for the holiday break. Please check around the house, under beds, in wardrobes, in bags, wherever you can think a book might be hiding.



END OF YEAR REPORTS AND NEXT YEARS CLASS

End of year reports were sent home today Friday 13th December. If you require a second report please let the office know and one will be emailed to you at the time the paper copies are sent home. Next years classes will also be included with the report on a separate slip of paper.

If children are not at school these will be held at school.



50 cent STALLS will return next year when our Year 6 tamariki will have an opportunity to earn money for their end of year camp.

SCHOOL SPORTS UNIFORMS

We are missing 42 sports uniforms. We have worked hard to get new uniforms for our school tamariki to wear when representing our school and they are expensive to replace. Can ALL school sports uniforms please be returned to school by next Monday so they can be put away for 2025.

PLEASE CHECK and see if you have one at home. Once found please return directly to the school office - we just need them back.



ATTENDANCE AT SCHOOL

Below are the attendance rates at school for last week against the Ministry of Education headings.

Ministry Headings	Attendance at school	Percentage students attend school
Regularly attending	90%+	66% of students attended school 9/10 days a fortnight
Irregular absence	80-89%	0% of students attended school 8/10 days a fortnight
Moderately absent	70-79%	13% of students attended school 7/10 days a fortnight
Chronically absent	less than 70%	21% 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.

OVERDUE INVOICES

Thank you to those families that have paid or are continuing to pay their invoices. Invoices for the end of the year were emailed and in some cases sent home yesterday. **Outstanding fees need to be paid ASAP, especially sports.** If you have any questions or would like to discuss invoices and payments please contact the office.

YEAR 6 INFORMATION

Our Year 6 Tamariki have a lot coming up before the end of the year. Notices and permission slips have been sent home for the trips outside the school. **IT IS IMPORTANT THESE COME BACK TO SCHOOL ASAP. WITHOUT PERMISSION TAMARIKI WILL MISS OUT ON TRIPS.**



- Monday 16th December – Year 6 Mystery Bus Tour – leaving school at 3.15pm

YEAR 6 SURF LIFE SAVING

On Monday, our Year 6 students spent the day learning about water safety, spotting riptides and having a swim at the Worser Bay Surf Life Saving Club. It was great to see our tamariki so involved with the lessons and being so confident in the water. Everyone gave all of the activities a go and spent a good amount of time in the water.

We would like to thank Jim, Belinda and Rachael Juno for their generous support of this trip.

As well as providing funding for this trip they provided some hot chips for everyone 😊.

This day provided valuable lessons in water safety that we hope our tamariki will take with them into the future.



STATIONERY



Next year we will be allocating some of the Ministry of Education donation scheme funding to school stationery. This will pay for stationery for the children throughout the school year. **There will be no cost to parents/whanau for stationery in 2025.**

Again, all we will be asking is that parents/caregivers/whānau make a \$5 per child contribution that will be used for classroom tissues and paper resources.

STOKES VALLEY CHRISTMAS PARADE



We had a fantastic time at the Stokes Valley Christmas Parade again this year and were proud of the way our float turned out. It was great to see so many people out, supporting the parade and taking part in the activities at Speldhurst Park. We would like to say a massive thank you to everyone who helped design and create our float, and Jim and Belinda Juno for again providing the truck. Thank you to everyone who helped out with the parade and to the tamariki for representing our school so well while on the float. We will have to put our thinking caps on for a design for next year's float now.

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

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| 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. |



KORAUNUI SCHOOL ENROLMENTS

Do you have or know of any 5-year-old children or older who are starting school next year? We are enrolling tamariki for both bi-lingual classes in Te Puāwaitanga o te Kākanō 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 office@koraunui.school.nz. 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.

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.

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

