



NEWSLETTER FIVE, TERM FOUR.

Tuesday, 12th November 2019

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KIA ORA, TALOFA LAVA, AND WELCOME.

Welcome to the new children and their whanau who are joining our school this week. New student this week, Eliana.

MANAGING END OF YEAR BEHAVIOURS

At this time of the year children can be more emotional and unpredictable. There can be a combination of factors leading to this including lighter nights (which makes it difficult to get to sleep), the changeable weather, worry about leaving their teacher and class, and the excitement of Christmas on the horizon leading to children being unsettled at this time of year. Sometimes November can be hard for adults too as we gear up for a huge two months ahead. One way of managing all of this is slowing down and ensuring there is ample down-time for everyone and meeting all different behaviours we experience with compassion and understanding. Talking with children about how they can demonstrate the **KORAU** values through their words and actions to manage themselves can be helpful.



MCCARTHY TRUST DONATION



We would like to acknowledge the very generous donation of \$2,000 made to the school by the McCarthy Trust. This donation helps support our library and providing our school with access to literacy resources for them to use for their learning and for enjoyment.

PASIFIKA AIGA FONO – TUESDAY 12TH NOVEMBER

There will be a fono for all families of children who are current performers in our Pasifika group and also our Pasifika families. This will take place this evening Tuesday 12 November at 6.00pm in the staffroom.



TE PUAWAITANGA O TE KAKANO RAFFLE RESULTS



Congratulations to the winners of the prizes of this raffle drawn on Friday. 1st Mereana Edwards, 2nd Jasmine Giles & 3rd E. Frill. Winners have been contacted. Thank you to everyone who bought a ticket for their support.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES OCTOBER 2019 MEETING SUMMARY

Kia ora koutou

The Board of Trustees meets once a month to discuss how our kura is performing and what our goals and priorities are.

The Board has five parent representatives, our Principal Dave Lamont, and Deputy Principal, Gillian McPeake who is the staff representative.



In our October meeting we focused on staffing and finance. We spent time talking about the impact of the smaller number of Year 6 students in 2020 compared to the current Year 6 group.

The reduction in Year 6 numbers in 2020 has ramifications for our budget as we receive designated funding to support the learning needs of several current Year 6 students. We are working through a number of changes for next year's budget as a result.

This year's budget included a planned deficit which cannot be repeated and we need to reduce spending in 2020. This will include some reductions in staff resources and continuing efforts to carefully manage day-to-day costs.

We also discussed Term 3 achievement data. This shows that our tamariki are making progress in their learning but that writing and maths need to remain our focus areas.

Lastly, we discussed some minor works around the school including some modifications that will be carried out over the Summer break.

Please contact any Board member if you have any questions.

Ngā mihi nui

Craig Press, Chair

EPRO 8 CHALLENGE

Congratulations to the students who represented Koraunui School at the EPro 8 Challenge last week. Our teams worked together to complete all the challenges and represented our school with pride. Thank you to Mrs C for preparing the students for this event and to the parents for helping out on the day.

EPro8 Challenge
Engineer Problem Solve Innovate

Inter-School Science
and Technology
Competition

SEVEN SHARP – STOKES VALLEY RHINOS

Last week the Stokes Valley Rhinos featured on Seven Sharp. It was great to see Stokes Valley and our kids publicised in such a positive way on national T.V. We definitely have some stars in the making. The segment has been loaded to our school Facebook page and can be viewed there.



DISCO – FUNDRAISER FOR UMU FESTIVAL – Superhero / Halloween theme



Thank you to everyone who supported the disco fundraiser last week. \$478.00 was raised which will go towards the Umu festival coming up in a few weeks. The children all had a fantastic time. Thank you to the staff and parents who organised this event.



YEAR SIX CAMP



The last day for camp payments for Year 6 students going to camp is Friday 22nd November. Please contact the school office if you have any questions about how much money your child has raised through 50 cent stalls, work club jobs and other fundraising they have done.

HEAD LICE

We are still seeing some cases of headlice at school. 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>. If you have any concerns or questions, please contact the school office for advice and support.

SUN HATS – with Term 4 now well underway please make sure that all children bring hats to wear at school to help protect them from the summer sun.



50 cent STALLS

Our Year six students are running 50cent stalls every Friday at morning teatime. Buying items, supports these children to raise money to go to camp. Please be mindful that items are all 50 cents and \$2 is the limit.



CLASS PLACEMENTS FOR 2020

We will soon begin the process of setting classes for 2020. 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 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 via email). 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.

WEETBIX TRYATHLON 2020

If you are seven years or older and would like to take part in this awesome opportunity, sign up to using the link below or on our school Facebook page.

<https://www.registernow.com.au/secure/Register.aspx?E=35581&G=99626>



ENROLMENTS

Do you have or know of any 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.

KCC CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY DATES (2020)

Over the Christmas break KCC will be operating between Monday 13 January and Thursday 30th January inclusive. See attached Holiday Programme details and booking form. All bookings are due by 4 December 2020.

Keep up to date with photos and information of what is happening around the school and in the classrooms on our Facebook page.



Dave Lamont
Principal

Term Four Calendar

Week 5

- Tuesday 12 November: Pasifika Aiga Fono – 6.00pm in the staffroom
- Wednesday 13 November: Board of Trustees Meeting
- Thursday 14 November: Northern Zone Athletics postponement date
- Thursday 14 November: Te Puawaitanga o Te Kakano Noho Marae ki Koraunui Marae
- Friday 15 November: Te Puawaitanga o Te Kakano Noho Marae ki Koraunui Marae

Week 6

- Wednesday 20 November: Year 5/6 Tee ball for selected students TBC
- Thursday 21 November: Year 3-6 Te Papa Raranga Matihiko trip for selected students
- Friday 22 November: Year 3-6 Te Papa Raranga Matihiko trip for selected students
- Friday 22 November: Final day for payment for Year 6 camp.

Week 7

- Tuesday 26 November: Interzone Athletics at Hutt Recreation Grounds
- Saturday 30 November: Stokes Valley Christmas Parade

Week 8

- Monday 2 December: Year 6 graduation practice this week
- Tuesday 3 December: Hutt City Council Pop-up Christmas Carols – 6.00pm
- Friday 6 December: Road Patrol Pool Party – Stokes Valley Pool
- Friday 6 December: Umu festival and Pasifika performance

Week 9

- Monday 9 - Friday 13 December: Year 6 Camp – Wairarapa Outdoor Pursuits Centre
- Wednesday 11 December: Board of Trustees Meeting

Week 10

- Monday 16 December: Year 6 Graduation at Taita College
- Tuesday 17 December: Year 6 Mystery Bus Tour
- Wednesday 18 December: Final assembly and last day of school. School finishes at 12.00pm. No KCC in the afternoon on this day.