

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

# **NEWSLETTER EIGHT, TERM ONE**

# Wednesday, 23rd March 2022

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# KIA ORA, TALOFA LAVA, AND WELCOME.

Welcome to Indie and her whanau who joined our school this week.

# STAFF ONLY DAY – SCHOOL CLOSED

School will be closed on 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 slow but 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 31 people who have tested positive for COVID-19, it is great to see those who have been isolating coming back to school each day. We have had a number of children also testing positive while they have

been home isolating as household contacts. We will continue with our school processes for the time being and will notify our community before we make any changes. We would like to thank everyone for the support we have received and also for whanau isolating at home. This week it has been great to see some of the tamariki who were isolating at home returning to school after their isolation period has finished.

If anyone needs RAT tests, please contact the school office as we have been provided 170 boxes, with 5 tests in each 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.

If you haven't done so already, please read the information that was emailed out and put on Facebook on Friday. This provides information to you about isolation periods and testing for positive COVID-19 cases and household contacts. It can also be accessed by clicking HERE. The image below shows key dates for people isolating.



#### VACCINATIONS – FROM OUR HEALTH NURSE



Covid-19 is not the only vaccine! Covid-19 is understandably grabbing all the attention in our communities, schools and homes, but as winter approaches it is good to remember that other diseases also have a big impact on our community's health.

With flu season approaching it is a reminder that other vaccines are helpful at keeping our very young and elderly out of hospital and from contracting

vaccine preventable diseases such as chicken pox, measles, and whooping cough.

Please contact your GP or health care provider for a booking. Autumn and winter is also a time for sore throats, and in some communities' sore throats and skin infections can cause rheumatic fever, which can lead to rheumatic heart disease. Don't ignore that sore throat - if you or your tamariki are under 18 years of age, see your GP or local Pharmacy. Sore throats need to be checked out!

For more information see your Public Health Nurse - contact via your local school.

# **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 <a href="https://www.kidshealth.org.nz/head-lice">https://www.kidshealth.org.nz/head-lice</a>. 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 Monday 4 April so we can confirm programmes and staffing.

# **MEET THE TEACHER (via VIDEO CHAT)**

Thank you to everyone who joined in the video chats with teachers over the past couple of weeks. If you were unable to make these or would like to talk with your child's teacher, please contact them to make a time to do this.



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



# **STUDY CENTRE**

Enrolment forms for Study Centre have been provided to children in the senior classes across the school (Rooms 7, 13, 14 & 15). Please complete this and return to school with your child if you wish for them to attend Study Centre. We are collecting forms and once the Red-Light Phase 3 settings change we will look to begin Study Centre.

# MOVIN' MARCH – LET'S GET MOVIN'!

WHĀNAU PHOTO COMPETITION / WEEK 4





Show us what surprises

vou on your walking or wheeling journey.

Share your photo in the Movin' March Facebook page comments Movin'March - Home | Facebook 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* > <a href="https://schooltravel.gw.govt.nz/.../T+Cs-Whanau-Photo...">https://schooltravel.gw.govt.nz/.../movinmarch-competitions/</a>

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 MYRIDElaunch vouchers! This popular challenge invites tamariki to collect stamps on a passport every time they walk or wheel to/from school during Movin'March."

#### HATS & WATER BOTTLES



It is fantastic to see so many children with hats on. Please make sure your child has a **sunhat to keep at school, clearly named** 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.



# WHAT'S HAPPENING AROUND THE SCHOOL THIS WEEK



# **ROOM 4 - DIGGING IN**

As part of their response to the Journal article Digging In; – Kiwi Readers have been busy clearing one of the Room 4's garden plots. After lots of weeding they were able to plant lettuce and kale. Silverbeet is the next to be planted. The plot requires lots of water at this time of year.



# FETU O LE MOANA – PASIFIKA PRACTICE

It has been fantastic to hear the tamariki practicing under the oak tree on the top field this term. We are really impressed with how we are having our senior students stepping up to take on leadership roles during these practices.



# TE RUMA TEKAU MA WHA

Room 14 have been learning about what makes up a rainbow. They talked about prisms, water droplets and what colour sunlight is. Then we displayed our discoveries with our very own rainbows!



# **TOUCH RUGBY**

Touch rugby draw for Koraunui Kiwi this Thursday 24 March

Avalon Lightning	vs	Koraunui Kiwi	4.00pm	За
Rata Street 2 (Girls)	vs	Koraunui Kiwi	4.35pm	1a



# **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

<u>Please note</u> 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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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	

<sup>\*</sup>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:

- 23rd March (Year 7/8) taster AND TRIALS at Maidstone turf, Upper Hutt, 6-7pm
- **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 huttunitedhockeyjuniors@gmail.com.