

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

NEWSLETTER ONE, TERM TWO

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KIA ORA, TALOFA LAVA, AND WELCOME.

Welcome to the new children and their whanau who joined our school this week: Anaru, Finlay, Kayden, Kayla, Kobe, Khloe, Leilani, Sunny, Mabel, Faith, Alice and Layla.

Welcome back to the new term. We hope that everyone had a good break and managed to recharge for the term ahead. We have had a great start to Term 2 and there has been a lot of excitement about the new playground that was constructed over the term break. In addition to this the office space renovation was completed and construction of the pool shed is well under way. We are grateful for the support of the Ministry of Education for funding these projects and for the funds raised by KPG



(Koraunui Parents Group) in the past that have contributed toward the new playground. We are looking forward to a more settled, fun filled and busy term ahead with a wide variety of learning experiences planned for the children.





SPORTS TEAMS FEES

With basketball and netball seasons now underway, teams are getting into their practices and games.

This year we have adopted the approach that if fees are not paid then the children cannot play as we have a large amount of fees that are unpaid. Part of the commitment of children playing sport is that parents/whanau pay the sports fees. This is not for the school to do. Invoices have been sent out to parents with outstanding school and sports fees. <u>All outstanding school and</u> <u>sports fees will need to be paid for your children to play sports.</u> If you would like to discuss paying off outstanding fees please contact the school of

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MEET THE TEACHER/GOAL-SETTING MEETINGS

These meetings will be held next Tuesday 24th and Wednesday 25th of May. These will be held for every child and their whanau. Please put aside some time to come to this very important meeting with your child.

We will set up online booking and share details once this has been done.

STUDY CENTRE

Study Centre will begin next week. If you have enrolled your child in Study Centre, they can begin attending from next Monday 9th May. If you would like your child to attend Study Centre please contact the office for an enrolment form or send

them along to Study Centre on Monday and we will give them an enrolment form to take home for you to complete. Studey Centre will run for 1 hour after school Monday – Thursday and be in the library again this term

50 cent STALLS

<u>50 cent stalls will begin next Friday 13th May</u>. Please be mindful that items are all 50 cents so \$2 is the limit per child.

As a part of our COVID processes all Year 6 students selling, teachers supervising and parents/whanau coming to help must wear masks. 50 cent stalls will be in the hall at morning teatime. We will make sure the hall is well ventilated during this time.

2pm CLUB

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 you wish to book your child/children into 2pm Club please click here

2PM Club will be held on the deck of Kowahi block again this term. Please collect children from this area.

COMMUNITY TUTOR READING



We are really pleased to be able to start up Community Tutor Reading again this term. All it requires is that tutors wear a mask. We are in desperate need of new tutors, so if you can spare an hour and a quarter a week to listen to children read, you will read with five individuals for 15 minutes each, please leave a message

for Denise Silk-Martelli and she will get back to you.



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STUDENT ABSENCES

It is important for parents/whanau to contact the school if their children are absent and state the reason for any absences of children away from school. We are asking that specific information is provided (i.e. sore throat, cold, flu, type of injury etc).

Absences can be notified by calling the office on 04 939 9707, texting on 027 3710 947, emailing office@koraunui.school.nz, school website https://koraunui.school.nz/contactus/absence-notification/

PINK SHIRT DAY

We will be supporting Pink Shirt Day again this year on Friday 20 May.

By celebrating Pink Shirt Day and raising money to support the kaupapa, our school/kura will be a part of a powerful movement to spread aroha and kindness and end bullying. Every dollar raised helps the

Mental Health Foundation to run Pink Shirt Day, raise awareness about bullying prevention and provide free resources to help make our schools safe and inclusive for everyone. Information about this day can be found here www. https://www.pinkshirtday.org.nz/

COVID Orange Light Processes

- As you would have read, we are now operating at Orange Level this term. For us this means that we are returning to a more normal way of working at school while maintaining health & safety measures that will help keep us all safe while at school.
- Our current COVID Orange Light processes can be found on our school website. These • are being updated regularly as more information is shared with schools. Please click here to access the infomration on our school website https://koraunui.school.nz/this-isus/covid-19/
- It is important to remember that COVID is still in the wider community and we all need • to work together to stay safe and well. If you require any support or information, please contact the school and we can help.

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.

If anyone needs RATs, please contact the school office as we have been provided a good supply by Te Awakairangi Health and the Ministry of Education 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.





The image below shows key dates for people isolating.



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

KNIT ONE PEARL ONE



This team of dedicated knitters have recently donated 2 big bags of beanies and slippers for our tamariki to help keep them warm over winter. <u>To help keep them keep knitting they ask that our</u> <u>school community donates balls of wool (double</u> <u>knit or up) or make a koha to the school with the</u> reference "knitting" to their group to keep up this wonderful







WHAT'S HAPPENING AROUND THE SCHOOL

TANGAROA MURAL – Design update from Whaea Ceri

The playground wall has been undercoated and is ready for the mural to be drawn on and then painted by our clever Mural Team. We look forward to seeing this artwork develop over the

coming weeks. 😌



SPORTS GROUNDS AT SCHOOL

Bruce has been busy marking our and creating a soccer pitch and cricket oval on the bottom field to add ot the areas our tamariki have to play in while they are at school. It is great to have so many options available for play during break times.





ROOM 4's FABULOUS PICASSO ART

Last term, Room 4 created fabulous Picasso Portraits. The children spent a lot of time designing the many details of their faces, then colouring them with pastels. It took ages! After framing them on black paper, and then cutting them out again, the children mounted them on a painted sheet of paper on which they had drawn their name in many different ways. The final frames, which set off the portraits so wonderfully, were created by Sue.

Any resemblances to the artists are quite coincidental!



WHATS COMING UP THIS TERM?

Term 3

- Monday 9 May: New Zealand Sign Language Week
- Monday 9 May: Build and Play Resources at school arrives this week.
- Tuesday 10 May: Ken Ryan Antarctica presentation for tamariki
- Monday 16 May: Bully Free NZ Week
- Monday 16 May: Primary Science Week begins Antarctica Theme
- Tuesday 17 May: Rooms 13, 14 & 15 Zoom call to Scott Base
- Wednesday 18 May: Rooms 9, 13, 14 & 15 webinar with Antarctica scientists.
- Friday 20 May: Bully Free NZ Week PINK SHIRT DAY
- Tuesday 24 May: Parent/Teacher/Student Meet the Teacher sessions 3.20-6.00pm
- Wednesday 25 May: Parent/Teacher/Student Meet the Teacher sessions 2.00-6.00pm
- Friday 27 May: SCHOOL PHOTOS starting at 8.30am
- Monday 30 May: Samoan Language Week
- Friday 10 June: TEACHER ONLY DAY School closed today
- Thursday 23 June: Matariki Celebration
- Friday 24 June: MATARIKI school closed today
- Friday 8 July: End of Term 2

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Principal



