



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

NEWSLETTER THREE, TERM ONE

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KIA ORA, TALOFA LAVA, AND WELCOME.

It is great to be back at school after two unexpected days away. We are getting back into our normal routines quickly so we can make the most of learning opportunities this term.



WHAT'S COMING UP THIS TERM?

Week Three

- Monday 16-19th February: Stokes Valley Pool Swimming lessons begin

Week Four

- Monday 23-26th February: Stokes Valley Pool Swimming lessons continue
- Wednesday 25th February: Board of Trustees Meeting
- Thursday 26th February: Room 14 trip to Te Papa

Week Five

- Monday 2nd March: Movin March begins

Keep up to date with photos and information of what is happening around the school and in the classrooms on our Facebook page, in our newsletters and emails from the classroom teachers.



If you would like to join our Facebook page please make sure you complete all the membership questions.

TOUCH RUGBY AT FRASER PARK IS CANCELLED TODAY

KORAUNUI SCHOOL COMMUNITY MEET AND GREET BBQ

We invite all of our school whanau to join our staff for a chat and free sausage sizzle **between 5.00-6.30pm on Wednesday 4th March** here at school. This is an informal get-together where our school community can come together, catch up and chat with our staff and each other. Feel free to bring along your own picnic as well.



We will have some school sports equipment available for everyone to use, and we will have the pool open for the children. We will have to limit this to 30 to manage numbers in the pool at one time.

KPG (KORAUNUI PARENTS GROUP)

KPG will be selling some snacks and drinks at the BBQ. Bring along some coins and grab a snack. See the poster at the end of the newsletter.

SCHOOL CLOSURE

We would like to thank everyone for their support and patience after we lost power during the storm at the start of the week. Thankfully the damage at school was minimal and we were pleased to be able to open again as normal yesterday. The closure provided us an opportunity to use and review our emergency processes. Everything went according to plan, and we were able to highlight some areas that will make communicating with our school community, the Ministry of Education and wider community better. We will make these changes in the coming weeks.

CONTACT DETAILS

The closure this week has highlighted that we need accurate contact information for our families.

If you have changed any of your phone, email or address details since your children have started school please let the office know so we can update our system. Email

office@koraunui.school.nz

SWIMMING LESSONS AT STOKES VALLEY POOL

Next week will be the second week of swimming lessons at Stokes Valley Pool from Monday to Thursday. Please make sure tamariki bring their togs every day and have suitable footwear, hats and clothing as they will be walking to and from the pool each day. Below is the timetable for the lessons



Time of Swimming Lesson	Classes
10.00	Rooms 23 & 7
10.30	Rooms 9 & 10
11.00	Rooms 12 & 14
11.30	Rooms 13 & 15
12.00	Room 4

SWIMMING TOGS

We have some tamariki at school who don't have togs and this is preventing them from taking part in swimming lessons and using our pool. If you have any spare or unused togs in good condition at home that you no longer need we will gratefully take these at the school office and then distribute these to tamariki who need them.

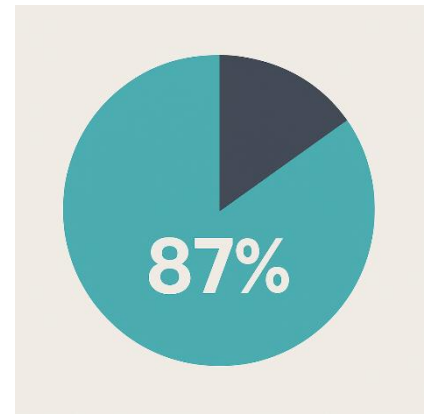
ATTENDANCE

this term attendance continues to sit at 87% of all tamariki attending school. This is a great start to the school year.

The Government goal for attendance is to have 90% of all tamariki attending school.

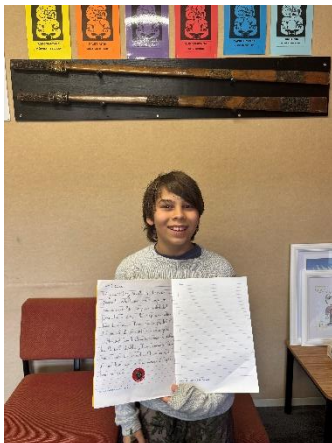
Let's keep this going 😊

Daily attendance is important for tamariki to make the most of learning opportunities and build strong relationships with their peers and staff at school.



ROUND THE BAYS

On Sunday some of our amazing tamariki took part in Round the Bays. They showed perseverance and resilience and finished with big smiles on their faces. Thank you to the wonderful adults for making this day such a success. Our next big event is the Tough Guy and Gal challenge in May, please see the office for information about this event.



STAR WRITING

Rawiri shared some stunning writing with me today about his memories of his brother. It was wonderful to hear his story and talk with him about his whanau.

TOUGH GUY AND GIRL CHALLENGE

Is your Year 3 - 6 child keen to take part in the Tough Guy and Gal Challenge on Friday 8th May?

See the office for a notice/panui and return it back to school as soon as possible.

Click here for more information also. [Tough Guy & Gal Challenge Information](#)

NEW READING BOOKS



We have had a massive donation to buy new reading books to support our teaching of structured literacy across the school. This has been made by the Juno family in memory of Jim Juno who passed away last year. The Juno's have had a long association with our school and this is a wonderful way to honour Jim's memory. We are so grateful for their generosity and tamariki will benefit from this for years to come. Thank you to everyone who helped put stickers in the books and prepare them for tamariki to use.



50 Cent Stalls



50 cent stalls are run by our Year 6 students as a part of their camp fundraising

This will start this 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.

COMMUNITY TUTOR READING

We are in need of some people to help with Community Tutor Reading again this year. 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 at the office.



KCC BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL CARE

We will be operating KCC before and after school care programmes again this year. If you are interested in using this service on a permanent or casual basis, please contact the school office.

2PM CLUB

All children will need to be booked into 2PM Club by [clicking here](#) Even if they attended last year. 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.



DUFFY BOOKS

We are lucky enough to be a part of the Duffy Books programme again this year. So, what does this mean for you? All tamariki at school will receive books to take home and are theirs to keep. This will start this term. Thank you to The Juno family for helping support such a fantastic cause. Check out this link for more information. <https://booksinhomes.org.nz/>



SCHOOL FACEBOOK PAGE MEMBERSHIP REVIEW



In the coming weeks we will be reviewing the membership of our Facebook page. Our page is intended for families and whanau with a direct connection to Koraunui School through children who currently attend our school. For whanau of children who have left, we will remove them from the page. We thank everyone who has supported our school over the years and used Facebook as a means of communicating, supporting our school and sharing stories about their children.

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, 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

KPG

Meet the teachers

BBQ stall

Wednesday 4th March
From 5:00pm



Iceblocks and Soft drinks
\$2 each
Cash only



All proceeds go towards the junior playground