



**Together Towards Excellence** 



## NEWSLETTER TERM 2 WEEK 1: Thursday 6 May 2021

All newsletters are also available on the school website under Parent Information.

### The school roll is currently 201 children.



## TUMUAKI'S MESSAGE

Ngā mihinui i a kōutou kātoa. Ko te tumanako i pai taau hararei koutou. It's great to see everyone back safe and sound. We're up and running smoothly and we're looking forward to another tumeke term.

#### WELCOME TO OUR NEW TAMARIKI AND WHANAU

On Monday we welcomed 11 of our new tamariki and their whanau with a school powhiri. I was privileged to welcome our whanau on with a karanga and our Tu Pono leaders led the haka powhiri. Our Head Boy, Kingston Smith said an opening karakia and Matua Tahi spoke on behalf of our school. Our school sang a waiata tautoko (song of support) led by Aarliyah Smith and the closing karakia was given. Once the handshakes, Hi 5's and waves were done our whole school did our school haka 'Ko Koromatua' to our whanau. This was ably led by two of our student council members, Noa Gray and Cooper Lepou.

After the haka, Whaea Raharu led our new tamariki and their whanau to Room 12 for a shared kai. I would like to thank our staff and parents who brought kai for this event. I would also like to acknowledge our PTA President Fleur Cassidy and her two sons, Alec and Logan for preparing, setting tables and cleaning up afterwards. We are very grateful for their service.

#### COHORT ENTRY

Koromatua School is now operating Cohort Entry. This means that New Entrant (have just turned 5 years old) students start in Week 1 and Week 5 of a term. The next cohort entry day for New Entrants is <u>Wednesday the 9th of June.</u>

Please note students who are **NOT** New Entrants can start school any day. They do not need to wait for those two days.

#### TU PONO ME TE AROHA KAPA HAKA ROOPU

Our Tu Pono and Te Aroha Kapa Haka roopu are continuing with their practices on Thursdays and Fridays. Matua Tahi tutors Tu Pono and Whaea Raharu and Whaea Nelz tutor Te Aroha. We are grateful to them for their talents and efforts to teach our tamariki about Te Ao Maaori.

#### FRASER HIGH SCHOOL PRODUCTION - STEVE'S WEDDING

Tamariki in Rooms 1, 2, 8 & 9 are going to watch the Fraser High School production 'Steve's Wedding' next Friday May 14th at 10am. There will be lots of dancing, music, singing, drama, comedy and several of our ex-Koromatua students taking the stage. More information will be sent out from classroom teachers.

#### BASIC ROAD SAFETY AT THE END OF THE DAY

Please cross at the designated road crossing. Do not cross with your child at the end of the driveway, or some other place. Do not sit in your car and call your child to run across the road to you; they will cross at the crossing and walk up to you. Have the proper child restraints. Please buckle your children in before heading off.

#### DISABLED CAR PARKING

Please refrain from parking in the two disabled car parks. The disabled parking spaces are primarily set aside for the drop off and pickup of students who have disability cards issued to them. We have two such students.

The parking spaces may also be used by adults (with disability cards displayed) who are actually coming into the school site for some purpose.

A driver's disability card does not entitle a disabled driver to use the disability parking space simply to wait to pick up an able-bodied student. If both spaces are filled then please park in one of the able-bodied parks.

Thank you for your cooperation.

#### TEACHER ONLY DAY COMING UP

The school will be closed for instruction on **Tuesday June 8th** for a Koromatua staff-only day. This is part of the Queen's Birthday long weekend. Please make arrangements for childcare that day.

Ngā mihinui, Rosina Nin

## **OFFICE MESSAGES**

#### **ENROLMENTS**

Please confirm any new in-zone enrolments with Corrina in the office if you have not done so already.

From Term 2, Cohort entry starts and there will be two entry points per term.

It is really important to us to have as much notice as possible of future enrolments so we can ensure we are staffed correctly. Up to 1 year in advance is advisable if possible.





#### **CHANGE OF ADDRESS OR PHONE NUMBER**

It is very important that we have your correct address, email address and phone number. If you have had any changes, please email enquiries@koromatua.school.nz

#### ATTENDANCE

If your child is going to be away from school for any reason, please remember to let the office know either through the school website, school e-mail enquiries@koromatua.school.nz or phone (07) 8479828.

#### **NEW ENTRANT STATIONERY**

I have new entrant stationery packs available from the school office at back to school prices. Please contact Ms G (Corrina) at the school office if you would like to purchase one. enquiries@koromatua.school.nz

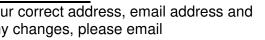
## **EVENTS COMING UP**

#### 2021 SCHOOL CALENDAR – TERM 2

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| 7 May                                 | School Assembly – School Hall***     |
| 19 May                                | Lockdown Drill – 12.15               |
| 20 May                                | Newsletter Day                       |
| 21 May                                | Pink Shirt Day – Stop Bullying       |
| 21 May                                | School Assembly – School Hall***     |
| 27 May                                | BOT Meeting – 7pm***                 |
| 3 June                                | Newsletter Day                       |
| 4 June                                | School Assembly -School Hall***      |
| 7 June                                | QUEENS BIRTHDAY – NO SCHOOL          |
| 8 June                                | TEACHER ONLY DAY – NO SCHOOL         |
| 9 June                                | New Entrant Cohort Day               |
| 11 June                               | Lower Waipa Winter Sports            |
| 14 June                               | Career Expo Yr 7&8 – 10am            |
| 14 June                               | Lower Waipa Winter Sports - ppt date |
| 17 June                               | Newsletter Day                       |
| 18 June                               | School Assembly – School Hall***     |
| 23 June                               | Fire Drill – 10.45am                 |
| 24 April                              | BOT Meeting – 7pm***                 |
| 28 June – 2 July                      | Book Week                            |
| 1 July                                | Newsletter Day                       |
| 1 July                                | BOT Meeting 7pm***                   |
| 5 July                                | Matariki Week                        |
| 7 July                                | Grandparents Day***                  |
| 8 July                                | Newsletter Day                       |
| 9 July                                | Pyjamas Day                          |
| 9 July                                | School Assembly – School Hall***     |
| 9 July                                | LAST DAY OF TERM 2                   |







#### 2021 TERM DATES

- Term 2: 3 May 9 July 2021
- Term 3 26 July 1 September 2021
- Term 4 18 October 17 December 2021



## DEFYING THE ODDS Kadie Ryan from Room 8



Congratulations to Kadie, who participated in the Te Awamutu

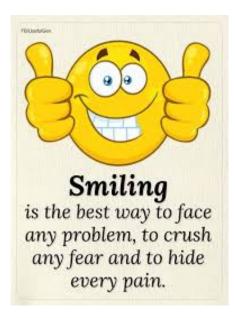
Athletic Club, 60m Sprints Championship. She came 4<sup>th</sup> place and also received a Sportsmanship Award. Despite having Spina bifida Kadie continues to participate and succeed. Kei runga noa atu koe!!!

**KADIE SAYS:** "Spina bifida is when you have to be in a wheelchair but I'm lucky because I'm not and it means that when I was born I had to have a stoma bag but now I don't anymore."



ABOUT SPINA BIFIDA: It is a condition that affects the spine. The backbone that protects the spinal cord does not form and close as it should. This often results in damage to the spinal cord and nerves. People bifida higher with spina on the spine (near the head) might have paralyzed legs and use wheelchairs. Those with spina bifida lower on the spine (near the hips) might have more use of their legs and use crutches, braces, or walkers, or in some cases they might be able to walk without these devices.

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## **ADVERTISED EVENTS FROM OTHER ORGANISATIONS**

#### SCHOOL BANKING

#### First Credit Union School Banking is Back!

First Credit Union provides a school banking service to all pupils at Koromatua

School.

Getting started is easy- just pick up an application pack from the school office, fill in the application form and return it to the school office.

Our school banking day is a **Tuesday.** 







# **TERM TWO 2021**

# Thursdays 13th May - 1st July



#### 5-10YRS - KIDS ART

Kids will learn a new way to create art each week in a messy fun environment.. 3.30pm - 4.30pm - \$140 - 8 week term

#### KIDS - 7-11YRS SCULPTURE

Kids will create sculptures from a range of medias over the term. Developing their own characters. 3.30pm - 4.30pm - \$140 - 8 week term



9-15YRS - INTRO TO DRAWING AND PAINTING

Students will learn a range of drawing and painting techniques to help them with developing their art. 4pm -5pm - \$160 - 8 week term

#### 11-15YRS - TEENS SCULPTURE

Students will be working with Polymer clay to develop their own character in to a sculpture.

4.45pm - 6pm - \$180 - 8 week term

#### ADULTS -WATER COLOUR PAINTING

Students will learn a range of water colour painting techniques and processes. 6.30pm - 8.30pm - \$180 - 8 week term

#### CREATIVE - 5-10YRS SCIENCE

We get messy and hands on, learning about some basic ideas of science in a very creative way. 5pm - 6pm - \$140 - 8 week term



#### CREATIVE - 11-15YRS WRITING

Students explore the art of nartive story telling through varis techniques. 6.15pm - 7.15pm - \$160 - 8 week term

#### INTRO TO - ADULTS DRAWING

Students will learn a range of drawing techniques to help them with developing thier drawing skills. 6.30pm - 8.30pm - \$180 - 8 week term





SUPPORTING ARTISTS.

# **BOOK NOW**

www.studiotwonz.co.nz studiotwoinformation@gmail.com Lee - 021 902 509 All workshops held at Rosebank Art house 337 Churchill st, Te Awamutu - All materials provided