



Popoia te kakano kia puawai – Nurture the seed and it will thrive

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KIA ORA, TALOFA LAVA, AND WELCOME.

Beststart Goodsorts Award

Beststart Stokes Valley celebrated the good work local people were doing to support others around Stokes Valley during lockdown. There were many good people nominated and one of the two recipients of this Award was our very own Barbara Hay. We would like to congratulate Barb for this acknowledgement and for all the good work she did for our students and others around Stokes Valley before, during and after the lockdown. We are lucky to have her involved in our school and community.

We hope everyone had a good long weekend and enjoyed an extra day of family time. The long weekend break came at a good time as the children have worked hard over the first two weeks back this term. It can be tiring getting back into a regular school routine and having an extra day to recharge before we all head into the next five weeks was a welcomed by everyone.

Last week we continued to see the majority of children displaying the KORAU values in how they were managing themselves, how they interacted with others and in how they applied themselves to their mahi. We look forward to this continuing over the coming weeks.

Thank you to parents/caregivers and whanau for supporting us with the drop off and pick up of children. We are continuing with our planned drop off and pick up processes in an effort to manage distancing and contact tracing as much as possible. When a decision is made to move to Alert Level 1 we will review this and make changes according to guidelines that are released by the Ministry of Education.

Attendance – some parents/caregivers and whanau are choosing to keep children home from school. **It is expected that ALL children, unless they have severe underlying medical conditions that prevent them from attending school under Alert Level 2, will now be attending school every day.** For children not attending and for those parents who do not contact us about absences we will be following the normal procedures from this point forward. As usual parents need to contact the office if children are absent.

Sick children are to stay at home – if they have a sniffle, headache, cough or feeling slightly unwell children need to remain at home and parents contact school. If children display any signs of illness at school, we will put a face mask on them, put them in the medical room and contact parents/caregivers to come and pick them up.

School Vision

After a working through the process of consultation and discussing what we want as a vision that represents what we want for our students, we have decided to adopt the whakatauki “**Popoia te kakano kia puawai – Nurture the seed and it will thrive.**” For us this means accepting every child for who they are as an individual, acknowledging everything they bring with them to school and helping them to be the best they can be in all they do. We will now plan to structure our processes to reflect our vision.



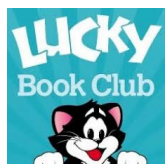
School Photos – these are planned for Monday 15 June at 9.00am. Due to physical distancing guidelines in place under Alert Level 2, we may have to look at alternate ways of having class photos taken this year. We will work with the photographers to see how we can get class photos taken. Order envelopes will be sent home tomorrow. Orders can also be made online.

Movin' March

Yesterday we learnt that Korauui School won a \$100 prezzie card spot prize for taking part in Movin' March this year. All schools who shared what the children and families were up to during Movn' March went into the draw for prezzie cards. We are very happy to be a recipient of this prize.



Lucky Book Club



Lucky Book Club catalogues will be sent home tomorrow. Due to COVID-19 **only online orders are bring taken for orders.** No cash will be accepted at school. All orders for Term 2 need to be in by Friday 3 July.

CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19 ALERT LEVEL 2 GUIDELINES)

Start of Day Drop off

- All children are to come in through the front gate in the morning. *All other gates will be locked during the day.* **We are asking all parents to remain outside the school gates.**
- **Any adult or family member who NEEDS to come on site must register** using either the COVID-19 Register and QR code provided or on the paper register.



The COVID-19 register can be downloaded at <https://covidregister.nz>. This is for contact tracing purposes. All information will be held at the school.

- Any children arriving at school between 8.30-9.00am will need to go straight to their classroom. Any children arriving after 9.00am will need to check in at the office.

End of Day Pick-up

- At the end of the day we will have three pick up points to avoid congestion and to help us manage distancing at school. Pick up for family groupings - the oldest child to collect siblings and then go to the youngest child's collection point.
- Main School Gate: Kowhai Block – Rooms 8, 9, 10 & 11
- Montgomery Street “Matt’s Gate” – Rooms 12, 13, 14 & 15
- Hall Entrance Gate – Rooms 23, 4 & 5

A teacher will be on the gate 10 minutes before school finishes to help manage children leaving the school grounds.

Classroom Hygiene

- classrooms are being arranged to cater for Moist Breath Zone distancing. We are doing all we can to provide spaces and environments where children have appropriate space in classrooms and in the school grounds.
- all classrooms have been supplied with disinfectant, bars of soap, liquid soap, hand sanitizer and towels.
- we will follow the Ministry of Education and Ministry of Health guidelines around distancing, using the “Moist Breath Zone” rule for distancing. A video has been produced for children coming back to school.
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yZvtoVrykb8&feature=youtu.be> Please show this to your children and talk with them about keeping distance to help everyone stay well.

Drinking fountains – these will remain closed while we are in Alert Level 2. Children are to bring named water bottles to school.

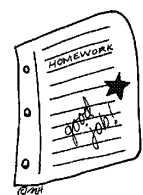
THERE IS TO BE NO SHARING OF FOOD OR DRINKS AT SCHOOL.

General Information

Library Books and Classroom Reading Books – thank you to everyone who has returned books to school. There are still a large number of books in homes. Can these now all be returned to school so we can clean and process them.



Study Centre – Study Centre is under way again Monday-Thursday for Year 4, 5 or 6 children. If you wish to enroll your child/children who are please contact the office.



2.00pm Club – This will run as usual on Wednesday and Friday

50 Cent Stalls – there will be no 50 cent stalls for the time being. We will review this as we move through Alert Level 2.



WHATS COMING UP THIS TERM?

Week Nine

- Wednesday 10 June: Board of Trustees Meeting, 7.00pm in the staffroom
- Thursday 11 June: Room 1213 Mountains to Sea team visiting the class

Week Ten

- Monday 15 June: School photos today

Week Twelve

- Friday 3 July: End of Term 2

Term 3

Week One

- Monday 20 July: Start of Term 3

