



KAWERAU SOUTH SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Dear Mothers, Fathers and Friends

Welcome to the start of a new school year and a special welcome to all new students who have recently enrolled with us.



First day at school; 5 year olds Hamoni, Cruze, Ma-Ira-Ngi, Kacey, Sariah and Tyreese from Rooms 2 and 3 who started today.

Medical Problems

Please inform the office if your child has significant medical problems we need to be aware of, even if you informed us last year. Also meet with the classroom teacher to explain the situation so they have a first-hand account of your child's needs.

Unsettled Children

It is normal for children to be unsettled when they move to a new class and a new teacher. It takes time to make new friends and learn new routines. If your child is unsettled please reassure them, persevere for a few days, and then if necessary make an appointment to see his or her teacher. They will be able to offer suggestions to help them make the adjustment.

Banking (Credit Union North)

Banking will start this week on Thursday 4 Feb.

Swimming

Swimming starts tomorrow Wednesday 3 Feb. All classes walk to the Town pool. Swimming is part of the school programme and all students are expected to take part. Please remind children to bring togs on swimming days. Swimming times for the next fortnight are:

DAY	Rooms 9.30 - 10.15	Rooms 10.15 - 11.00	Rooms 11.00 - 11.30
Wed 3 Feb	7, 8, 12, 6, 3	9, 11, 14, 2, 4	10, 15, 17, 5, 16
Thurs 4 Feb	7, 8, 12, 6, 3	9, 11, 14, 2, 4	10, 15, 17, 5, 16
Wed 10 Feb	7, 8, 12, 6, 3	9, 11, 14, 2, 4	10, 15, 17, 5, 16
Thurs 11 Feb	7, 8, 9, 10	11, 12, 14, 15, 17	
Fri 12 Feb	7, 8, 12, 6, 3	9, 11, 14, 2, 4	10, 15, 17, 5, 16

Note: More dates to come in the next newsletter – dates and times may change

Milk and Fruit in Schools Programme

Milk starts next week on Tuesday 9 February. The "Fruit in Schools" programme continues this year and will also start on Tuesday 9 February.

Phone Number and Address Changes

Please let us know if you have changed address or phone numbers during the holidays. We do need this information to contact you in emergencies. Thank you.

Bus Lists

We hope to have these finalised this week. Students on the bus from last year will carry over and don't need re-enrolling. Last year's arrangements will continue.

Stationery Lists

Stationery sheets were sent home today. Please place the correct money in the supplied envelope and return as soon as possible. Many items are only available from School. It is easy to confuse books, especially the range of books we now use. We try to keep the costs of stationery as low as we possibly can.

Fridge Magnets with School Dates

These will be included in the stationery packs.

School Web Site

Our website has the recent newsletters, dates and other information about the school at www.kawerausouth.school.nz

No Skate Boards and Scooters at School Please

In the interest of safety and preventing damage to the school, no skateboards and scooters at school either during or after school. Thank you.

Neighbourhoods of Healthy Homes

Neighbourhoods of Healthy Homes is moving into a new neighbourhood made up of; Stout, Hall, Atkinson, Vogel, Pollen, Balance, Seddon, Savage and Onslow streets. A Neighbourhood Launch will be held at the Kawerau South School Hall on Thurs 11 Feb 5pm to 6.30pm. Flyers will be sent to house hold letter boxes. For more information phone: Hannah Edwardson on 027 703 7413 or Phil Richards on 027 437 9787.

Sun Hats and Sensible Clothes (Shorts & Tee Shirts)

The weather at this time of the year is very hot and the sun is intense. Please remind your child to wear a sun hat. Baseball hats and beanies offer no protection. Suitable hats have wide brims that shade the face, ears and neck. Long pants are not needed.

School Social Worker

Should you require help please contact the school office on 323 8326.

Term Dates 2016

Term	Start	Finish
1	Tues 2 Feb	Fri 15 April
2	Mon 2 May	Fri 8 July
3	Mon 25 July	Fri 23 Sept
4	Mon 10 Oct	Fri 16 Dec

2016 Holidays

Waitangi Day	Sat 6 Feb (Holiday on Mon 8 th)
Good Friday	Fri 25 March
Easter Monday	Mon 28 March
Easter Tuesday	Tues 29 March
Anzac Day	Mon 25 April (During School hols)
Queen's Birthday	Mon 6 June
Labour Day	Mon 24 Oct

Waitangi Day

Waitangi Day is Sat 6 Feb however Monday 8 Feb is the resulting Public holiday and school will be closed that day.

Future Events

Mon 8 Feb	Waitangi Day Holiday
17 & 18 th Feb	Go by Bike Days
Sun 20 March	Top School at Awakeri
Sun 3 April	Daylight Saving finishes
Wed 13 April	School Photos
Fri 15 April	Last day of Term One
Mon 2 May	First day of Term Two
11-19 May	Life Education Caravan

The next newsletter will go home on Friday 12 February.

Stuart Cook
Principal

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