



# KAWERAU SOUTH SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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## Dear Mothers, Fathers and Friends;

Welcome to the following new students who have recently enrolled with us:

Zaion-Hayze Williams	Year 3	Room 19
Harizon-Vontae Williams	Year 5	Room 12
Zyrah-Jo Williams	Year 2	Room 10

## Bay of Plenty Rugby Holiday Programme

WHAKATANE, Ages 6-12. Date: Wednesday 17th April. Where: Rugby Park, Whakatane. Time: 9.00am - 3.00pm. Cost: \$20.00 per day. What to bring: Running shoes/boots, warm jacket in case of bad weather, morning tea, packed lunch and a drink bottle. Rugby boots and mouth guards are compulsory if your child would like to do tackle. No mouth guard, no tackle

## Girls Winter Rugby 10's Module

Fun Tackle Rugby Skills, Drills and Games. 3 locations Rotorua, Mt Maunganui and Whakatane, Mondays 4-6pm, 13 May to 24 June, for ages 7-13yrs. For more information, contact Kendra Reynolds 0211932722.

## Top School This Weekend – Sunday 10.30 am – Awakeri School

Do come along and support our team this weekend at the Annual Top School Competition. The first round starts at 10.30 am. Come and watch as 30 local schools compete in the games to see who will be crowned the 2019 Top School, whilst being energetically cheered on by their cheerleading squads. Or perhaps peruse the mega garage and plant sale, sample food from the hangi, food tent, or coffee and cake stall, take a whirl at the gala games and play our quick fire lotteries. It's a whole day of community fun! 6:30 am - Breakfast BBQ, 7:00 am - Garage Sale. 10.30 am the games events start. Many thanks to Whaea Karen, Whaea Elizah and Matua Tu for organising our team ready for the day.



Ready for the challenge, our 2019 Top School team: Standing: Isla-jae, Repanga, TeAomarama, Lincoln, Ocean. Seated: Mokai, Hazel, Taimana, Wairata and Tiana.

## Commissioners Corner 22 March

Kia Ora

Kawerau Parents Korero Group? Tuesday April 2nd- 2.30pm or 6.30pm - (one hour max) so far not many have come to the advertised meetings which is disappointing as I am very keen to meet with the parents of the amazing children that attend Kawerau South School. We are trying 2 different times on a different day and the hui will be a very casual time with a chance to korero together about what our tamariki need to succeed? what's expected of a Board of Trustees member? and how easy it is to bring a concern to the school? You won't be asked to stand for the board or be given anything extra to do.

Governance Statement 3. Have policies defining required outcomes.

The Board needs to have clear documentation (policy) on what it wants and expects for its own performance eg code of behaviour for Board members and meeting rules. A Board also needs to have policy of what it wants and expects of the Management i.e. Principal and Staff in the areas of: Curriculum Delivery, Employment (including performance management), Asset management (finance and property), Health and Safety and legal requirements.

The previous board were in the process of relooking at their policies and the current governance team (ie your Principal and myself) are continuing with this to make sure that the newly elected board in June will have up to date documentation.

Snippets from the Governance meeting held on March 18.

LEADERSHIP: A Board work plan for 2019 has been completed and included in the charter.

MONITORING: The school is operating within budget. The fire evacuation practice showed that everyone would have been safe if it had been a real fire.

EMPLOYER: There are some exciting Professional Development days planned for our staff.

REPRESENTATION: Opportunities continued to be offered to talk with parents

You can contact me on my email [diprom@xtra.co.nz](mailto:diprom@xtra.co.nz) or if you would like to speak to me, send me your phone number and I will ring you.

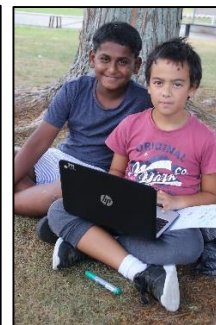
Nga mihi nui  
Gillian Diprose

## Rheumatic Fever Prevention:

Pharmacist Rapid Response Sore Throat Swabbing and Treatment Service now available at selected pharmacies across the Bay of Plenty. Edgcombe, Kawerau and most Whakatane Pharmacies now offer free throat swabbing services and antibiotic treatment, walk-in no appointment needed for young people aged between 4-19 years. If you have any concerns, please take your child to their GP or for sore throat information call us: Kawerau Rheumatic Fever Team ph: 323 7965.

## Chrome Books

Our school provides over 130 Chromebooks so all our year 5 & 6 students can use them as part of their learning. We have plans to purchase more Chromebooks in the near future to extend this to include year 4 students as well. All students still need to use a pen and paper, just as they have in the past, but we now live in a digital age where being able to use technology is fundamental to taking part in society. Chrome books have allowed us to provide students with successful learning that is part of the modern world we live in.



Learning anywhere, anytime, at any pace. Dereon, Kacia, Nikau, Jaydah, Adriel, Tairawhiti and Chloe using their Chromebooks and showing digital learning in action.

## Christchurch Tragedy

Our heartfelt condolences go out to everyone who has been affected by this tragedy and also to the people of Christchurch who are once again facing adversity. Today at Assembly we took time to acknowledge the grief of the families and loss of the 50 innocent victims with a 2-minute period of silence. Continue to reassure your children, be mindful of what exists on social media and what they access, and remind them that they are safe at home and in our community. Please do not hesitate in approaching the school if you require support for your child during this time.

## Future Events

Sun 24 March  
Sun 7 April  
Fri 12 April  
Mon 29 April  
Wed 15 May  
Mon 20 May

Top School at Awakeri  
Daylight Saving finishes  
Last day of Term One  
First day of Term Two  
School Photos  
Life Education Caravan arrives

The next newsletter will go home on Friday 5 April.

Stuart Cook  
Principal

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