



# KAWERAU SOUTH SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Dear Mothers, Fathers and Friends

Welcome to the New Term and to the following New students

Ziana Williams	Room 5	New Entrant
Jessica Cook	Room 3	New Entrant
Quest Tangira	Room 8	Year 5
Amiyah-Rose Ferguson	Room 5	New Entrant
Kiri Ratana	Room 16	Year 6
Breanna Taylor	Room 4	New Entrant
Olivia Munroe	Room 14	Year 6
Micah Heard	Room 6	New Entrant



Recent New Entrants: Ziana, Jessica, Luke, Micah, Amiyah, Kayixx and Cody.

## Open Morning – Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> August 9 – 11 am

We extend an invitation to all Whanau to come along and visit next week during our opening morning. Come to your Childs classroom, watch what is going on, take part in some activities and then have your child take you to the hall to see more activities and give us some feed back. Tea and coffee available. A reminder will go out next week. We look forward to you joining us.

## Teacher only Day – Friday 28 August – Advanced Notice

On Friday 28 August all our staff will travel to Papamoa to visit Te Akau Ki Papamoa Primary School for professional development around digital learning. The School will be closed on that day and parents are asked to start making arrangements for students to be at home.

## Korari – Run by the NZ School Trustee Association

On the 12<sup>th</sup> of August at 6.30pm NZSTA will be running a session on what it is like to be a school trustee. It will cover:

- What a school board of trustees is
- What trustees do
- What skills trustees need
- Who can become a trustee
- How someone can become a trustee
- Who is on a board of trustees
- How a board is elected
- What help to boards of trustees get
- How does the board of trustees work.

The session will last about 90 minutes. A reminder will go out closer to the day.

## Onslow Street Road Patrols – Signs not Working

Some-time during the weekend it appears that a vehicle has struck one of the poles resulting in damage which prevents up using the signs. There will still be a teacher supervising but please be extra vigilant and aware that their might be no signs. The District Council is aware of the situation and working to have it reinstated.

## School Photos – Thurs 26 November

These were to be held earlier in the year, unfortunately the lockdown period prevented it. Photolife have managed to reschedule our booking. Photos will now be taken on Thursday 26 November.

## Kawerau Adventure Race - Saturday 15 August 2020

In 2019, a massive crowd of competitors of all ages entered what was considered a fantastic race. The environment in and around Kawerau is perfect for the 6HR Adventure Races and the organisers set a course which is suitable for all abilities and allows beginners to select their tasks to their ability level.

Teams are: mixed, open male, open female, secondary schools male/female yr 9 & 10, yr 11-13 in all categories.

Visit the new website of the Gravity Sports Club for further information. <https://www.sporty.co.nz/kaweraugravitysports>

Email all enquiries to [kaweraugravitysports@gmail.com](mailto:kaweraugravitysports@gmail.com)

## Daffodil Day – Friday 28 August 2020

What is Daffodil Day? Daffodil Day symbolises hope for all New Zealanders affected by cancer. This year it is on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> of August, as we have a teacher only day, then donations can be made earlier in the week.. We ask staff and students to bring a gold coin or donation. They will receive a daffodil sticker or other small memento. Donations will go towards providing a wide range of support services, education and awareness programmes, plus fund vital research into the causes and treatment of cancer.

## Commissioners Corner 24 July 2020

Kia Ora

I was so pleased to come down last week and see the playground and hear all the great things that are happening at Kawerau South School. The locally based curriculum work is going well and there is a hui coming up so you can hear what is happening and have your say.

We also met with Ministry of Education personnel to discuss the mahi we have done and how to move back to a self-governing school. To start this process KSS will be hosting an New Zealand School Trustees Association workshop 'Korari' on 12 August 6.30pm at the school, this workshop explains the role of a board of trustees and what to think about as we start to plan for an election. It is NOT an expression of interest in becoming a board member however if you were considering standing for election it would be an excellent start to this journey. If you are thinking of someone you think would make a good trustee, then you should both come and find out more. A separate notice will be coming out about this meeting soon.

Ngaa manaakitanga,

Gillian Diprose Commissioner

## Future Events

Thurs 6 August	Open Morning
Wed 12 August	NZSTA
Friday 28 August	Teacher only day
Thurs 15 Oct	Shake out
Mon 2 Nov	Dental Caravan Returns
Thurs 26 Nov	School Photos

The next newsletter will go home on Friday 7 August.

Stuart Cook  
Principal

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