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NEWSLETTER - 2 February 2017

Principals Message

Tena koutou katoa, nga mihi nui kia koutou katoa.
Greetings Parents, Whanau and Community Members.

We're into it!

It was so nice to see all the happy children (and even happier parents) rolling into school on Tuesday. I can promise you that we are as excited as your children to be back into school this year. The teachers had 3 teacher only days last week that include a noho at Parawai Marae, a trip up Mt Tarawera and loads of professional learning. It would be fair to say that they are all really enthusiastic and keen to make this year something special for each of your children. If you haven't popped in yet to catch up with your children's teacher, please do come and say 'Hi'. Likewise, if you would like to discuss any aspect of your child's learning with myself or Mrs King, we welcome you at any stage.

The year has started with a rush with the senior children spending the night last night at school and the fitness sessions (starting earlier at 8.45am) are off to a great start. We trialled this last year with Tama Toa and the increase in fitness made for significant improvements in concentration, confidence and self esteem which naturally leads to better achievement.

Movie stars

You are all movie stars now! We have 10 cameras installed during the holidays and they provide excellent images of people coming into or out of the school regardless of how dark or light it is. We can record up to 6 weeks worth of video for each camera and will be sharing images of people who cause problems with local schools and the police. We were forced to install the cameras after the break in at the end of last year. We did have a couple of minor vandalism problems during the holidays that are getting sorted as we speak. A huge thank you to our very vigilant community who phoned the police a couple of times resulting in several teenagers being apprehended. Hopefully the new cameras will mean we can spend every cent we get from the Ministry of Education

on improving things for your children rather than fixing vandalism or thefts.

Sudima Breakfast Club

Once again this year the Sudima is sponsoring our Breakfast Club meaning that we can provide milo and toast to any hungry student from 8.15-8.45 each day.

Communication

This newsletter comes out weekly and we will try to keep you informed of important events etc. However, I would strongly recommend you get our school App on your phone from the Google Play or APP store depending on your phone. If you have any complaints, concerns or questions about anything to do with your children's education, there is a simple process. Start by talking with the teacher concerned. If still not satisfied, make an appointment to see the Principal or Deputy Principal. They will need time to investigate your concerns and will give you a timeframe of up to a week to get back in touch with you. If this does not resolve the issue, write a letter of complaint to the BOT (a copy must be also given to the Principal) and they will consider your concerns at the next meeting. The BOT will always respond in writing. If you are still dissatisfied, contact the Ministry of Education.

I usually find that if we deal with little problems early, we don't get any BIG problems:)

Reminders:

1. Health & Permission forms- please get these back to us asap
2. Uniform- please ensure your child has the correct school uniform each day.
3. BOT Meeting Thursday 23 February evening from 6.30 pm in the staffroom.

Have a great week!

Regards

Andrew Sinclair.

TERM EVENTS

3 Feb	Singing Assembly 12.10pm
6 Feb	Waitangi Day - School closed
8 Feb	FOTS meeting 6.30pm
10 Feb	Assembly 2.25pm
17 Feb	Singing Assembly 12.10pm
17 Feb	Gala day 5 - 7.30pm
20 Feb - 10 March	Life Education
22 Feb	Preschool sessions start
23 Feb	Parent Teacher Interviews
24 Feb	Assembly 2.25pm

SCHOOL FEES

Our yearly school fees are a \$40 Activity/ Resource fee and a \$30 school donation. The Activity/ Resource Fee is the only compulsory fee that our school charges. This equates to **less than \$1 per week** that the child is at school.

Our bank account number is 03 0415 0446573 00

Please see Janine in the office if you have a query regarding your account.

Thank you in advance for your payment.

NOTICE BOARD

READ AND WIN, WIN, WIN !!!!!

Every child who returns their reading diary by 10 February 2017 gets to have an afternoon at the Aquatic Centre and goes into a draw for one of 5 \$50 Warehouse Vouchers.

Here are some ideas to help your child keep reading over the Holidays-

- * Visit the Public Library together
- * Read aloud to your children
- * Be a reading model
- * Ask questions about what they are reading
- * Connect reading to other activities.



Group Keyboard Lessons

Children can learn to play the keyboard in group classes during school time on Wednesdays. There are new groups beginning this term. Contact Kathryn at nfo@kathrynlaudermusic.com for cost and further details.



Uniforms For Sale

Do you have any Kawaha Uniforms that your child has grown out of? We are happy to sell it for you on your behalf. Please bring clean items into the office and see Janine.



REGISTRATIONS NOW DUE

Touch Rugby and Flippaball Registrations now due for Term 1 and Term 4. Registrations close 8 February 2017

Flippaball \$44.00 for both terms or \$22 for Term 1 ONLY.

Touch Rugby \$50.00 for both terms or \$25 for Term 1 ONLY.



COMMUNITY NOTICEBOARD

Unpacking the Law

FREE LEGAL WORKSHOPS AT ROTORUA LIBRARY

Open to everyone

WHEN
Mondays
10am to 11.15am

WHERE
Rotorua Library programmes space

Speakers - Paul Blair - Caseworker and WINZ Advocate
- Stephanie Northey - The Law Shop - Haimona Te Māhū
Community Lawyer - Zelene Douglas - Community Lawyer

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CENTRE
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or just turn up!

MONDAY 20 FEB 2017
WORK AND INCOME
How to turn NO into YES
Know your entitlements

MONDAY 27 FEB
PROTECTING FAMILIES IN OUR
COMMUNITY
Family Law Solutions

MONDAY 6 MARCH
GOOD LANDLORD GOOD TENANT
Know your tenancy rights

MONDAY 13 MARCH
EMPLOYMENT LAW
Know your rights & obligations

MONDAY 20 MARCH
NAVIGATING CREDIT, CONSUMER &
CONTRACT ISSUES
Know your rights & obligations

MONDAY 27 MARCH
EPA | EPOA | PPPR
When you can't make decisions for
yourself



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ROTORUA
LAKES COUNCIL

Kawaha Point School Gala 2017



Friday 17th February 5 - 7.30pm

- Magic Carpet rides
- Bouncy Castles
- Rides
- Food Stalls
- Quick Fire Raffles
- Sweets and Cakes



- Face Painting
- Needle in the Haystack
- Daisy Dung Drop
- Activities and games galore

FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY

WE ARE KIA KAHHA WHANAU!



KIA KAHHA KIA MAIA KIA MANAWANUI



MAGIC CARPET TEAM
BUILDING CHALLENGE



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KIA KAHHA WHAUNAU'S
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