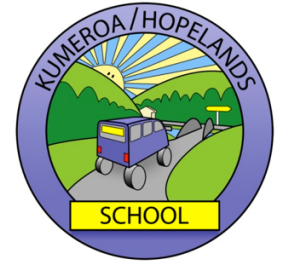


# COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER



Tēnā koutou,

We have had a fantastic start to the year here at Kumeroa-Hopelands School. Students are loving learning both inside and outside the classroom. Some highlights for the students so far this term include competing in school and Bush swimming sports, learning about fossils and palaeontology, a visit to a local marae, the AgriKids competition and EPro8 technology challenges, to name just a few.

At Kumeroa-Hopelands School we aim to deliver a rich and exciting curriculum that caters for a range of different learners and interests. We have a very dedicated and supportive staff who endeavour to help each student GROW and achieve to the best of his or her ability. If you are interested in finding out more about the school and what happens here, please visit our website [www.kumeroa.school.nz](http://www.kumeroa.school.nz), like us on Facebook or follow us on Twitter @KHS\_Kids\_GROW.

We look forward to what the rest of 2016 has in store for us here at school. We welcome visits and support from the community, so please feel free to come and see us.

Have a fantastic week.

Ngā mihi nui,

Simon.

## School Calendar

**Mar 18** - Bush Minor Sports  
Yr 1/2

**Mar 21-24** - Forest Lakes  
Camp Yr 5-8

**Mar 25** - Good Friday -  
School closed

**Mar 28** - Easter Monday -  
School Closed

**Mar 29** - Easter Tuesday -  
School Closed

**Mar 30-31** Zoo Trip Yr 1-4

**Apr 4** - Technology Yr 7/8

**Apr 8** - Woodville  
Multisports

**Apr 8** - KHS Fundraising  
group - School Disco  
6.30pm

**Apr 14** - Technology Yr 7/8

**Apr 15** - Last day of Term 1

Full school calendar is  
available online at: [http://  
kumeroa.school.nz](http://kumeroa.school.nz)

## BOT

It's that time again, 2016 is a Board of Trustees election year and very shortly we will begin to ask for members of the public to put their name forward for the election. Being a Trustee is an important and very rewarding role. In anticipation of the trustees election this year, the NZ School Trustees Association has published a booklet for prospective trustees. If you are interested about the role and are looking for more information, please contact the school office and we can organise a copy of the booklet for you.

## Virtue

This week's virtue is enthusiasm.

## Congratulations to:

- \* Liam Mead who received the Principal's Award for week 6.
- \* Jade Rivers, Zachary Ball, Thomas Goodwin who received virtues awards for week 6.
- \* Kumeroa house who were our winners for week 6.

## Bush Swimming Sports

Well done to:

Jaimee McKinlay, Thomas Fountaine, Jade Rivers, Hannah Fountaine, Lily McLeod & Connor Teahan who qualified & competed in the Bush Swimming sports last Friday.

## Mathematics

Every year our senior students participate in the Otago University Problem Solving competition for primary schools. This competition is made up of 5 challenge sets, each set has 5 questions of increasing difficulty. Students have thirty minutes to answer the 5 questions and they must be answered without the use of a calculator. I've included one for you to try!

The three symbols in this design stand for numbers, where each row and each column has the total given.

What is the value of ♥ ?

			Total
♥	✱	✱	11
♦	♥	✱	12
♥	♦	♦	13
Total	11	12	13



## Sport

Kumeroa-Hopelands School students are involved in a range of sporting activities. We currently have two teams who play touch rugby on a Friday night and a team playing in a local cricket competition which is being run by Cricket Manawatu. Several of our students are involved in other sports, ranging from dog handling to show jumping to motocross and everything in between! We highly value the important life lessons that can be gained through being involved in sport, not to mention keeping fit and active.

## Last week's results

### Cricket

Dannevirke Primary A played Ross Intermediate and won by 12 runs.

Dannevirke batted first and scored 135 runs.

Manawatu U12 Reps played on Sunday and scored 97 runs.

They then went to work in the field and won with two wickets to spare.

Dannevirke Primary A played Hokowhitu and won. William Allomes played wicket keeper for this game and took some outstanding catches. Well done, William!

On Wednesday night, the KHS cricket team played Pahiatua 3.

Pahiatua scored 105 runs and KHS batted second, scoring a total of 150 runs. Great work team!

### Show Jumping

Sam Cresswell competed at the Dannevirke Pony Club show jumping competition. He jumped a height of 40cm and came fourth overall. Great work, Sam!

### Touch Rugby

KHS U9 Touch team played Pahiatua and drew 1-1.

KHS U13 Touch team played Hillcrest School and lost 3 - 2.

## Touch Draw

No Touch week 7 & 8

- 18th & 25th March

KH School Duty Team 1st April

*Please remember to wear your school uniform for all school trips & events, wear your school shirt & jacket with black pants, shorts, tights or a skirt.*



## Movement for Learning

### Core Body Strength – Why is it Important for our Kids?

Core strength is the development of the torso muscles that stabilise, align, and move the trunk of the body. Poor core strength can cause poor posture which can also affect gross motor and fine motor skills. Building strong core strength is like building a strong foundation for your child. Having good core strength can help your child sit well at a desk or on the mat and at the same time be able to participate in class. If the child is using all their concentration on sitting then other areas of learning will suffer.

For our pre-school and school aged children, the best way to develop core strength is through good old fashioned outdoor play! Children need daily opportunities to run, jump, climb, crawl and explore in an unstructured environment. At our Movement for Learning programme, every activity that is carried out involves using and strengthening these muscles. Children with poor core strength will tend to slump with shoulders rolled forward while seated, they have poor endurance, and they may exhibit poor balance just to name a few things

Listed below are just a few fun activities for core strength that every child can be doing at home:

- **Bouncing** – Such as on a trampoline • **Swinging** – without anyone pushing
- **Superman Pose** – lying on stomach and lifting arms and legs
- **Sit ups** • **Twister** – the game • **Crawling through a tunnel**
- **Climbing a ladder** – such as for a slide • **Riding a bike** • **Skating**
- **Swimming**



### AgriKids NZ Competition

*We had four teams that competed last weekend and they all really enjoyed themselves.  
Country Girls came 4th out of 45 teams.*



### Indoor Hockey - Term 2

Indoor Hockey has come around again. Kumeroa Hopelands School is proud to be able to put so many teams in each year and we are always so successful! First game Friday 6th May 2016.

We will need some coaches so if you can spare a bit of time once a week at lunch time to come and go through some stick/ball skills and are happy to sort the children when playing that would great, we would love to hear from you.

Games run on a Friday afternoon - normal game times range from 3:30pm to 6pm. Just 8 minutes each way, it is 5 aside with side barriers so the ball just stays in most of the time. Balls are to be pushed, not hit. Mouth guards are required to play. Indoor hockey is held in the Pahiataua Stadium. Subs \$10.

It is a wonderful sport, giving the children a real taste of team work. If you would like to know more please call Donna at the office for more information.

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- **Yes! I'd like to play Indoor Hockey for the season. Subs are \$10 per player.**

Please return this form, with **money**, to school by **Friday 8th April 2016**

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Under 7/Under 9/Under 11/Under 13

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Under 7/Under 9/Under 11/Under 13

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Under 7/Under 9/Under 11/Under 13

Played Hockey before? Yes / No Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

I can coach/manage a team. Name: \_\_\_\_\_

**SCHOOL CATTLE SCHEME**

This is our School Fundraising Group's major earner of money for our children to be able to have new things and have new experiences.

We would like to **THANK** the following who are supporting our school through donating or grazing cattle Andrew and Wendy Blatchford, Angus and Bex Brown, Duncan and Sharon Eames, Ladd Family, Ben and Nicky Allomes, Sandra and Dick Exeter, Mike and Ang Rivers, Paul and Dawn Fountaine, Brett and Jackie Mead, David and Linda Last, Ian and Helen Fountaine, Justin Rivers, Craig and Nicky Ellingham, Tim and Holly Gray, Dave and Christine Armistead.

We have received over \$12000.00 so far from this scheme and our children, staff and community really appreciate your support!!

EVERYONE can contribute to this scheme through donating calves, grazing OR **donating** any amount of money to combine together to buy a calf. If you would like to know more of how you can be involved please contact Dawn Fountaine 3764519 or Donna at school 3764542. It's a very worthwhile investment!

Please send all empty Colgate packaging/ products and Yummy Stickers to school.

**Kumeroa Hopelands Playgroup**

Kumeroa Hopelands Playgroup meet at the Kumeroa Hall next to the school every Wednesday morning during the school term from 9.30am to 12pm.

It's **free** and all pre-schoolers and their caregivers are welcome to come along. For further information please call Holly on 069271702 or 0274293933

**Kumeroa Tennis Club**

Tennis Club Tournament is on Sunday 20th  
BYO Drinks & meat for BBQ

No tennis skills needed, come along and enjoy a social day. All welcome.

Please register by Friday with: Angus Brown 3765364 or Andrew Bolton 3765578 Look us up on Facebook.

**Thank You**

Thank to the Kumeroa Hopelands School Education Trust. Your continued support of our school is very much appreciated.

**Girl Guide Biscuits**

**For Sale in staffroom. \$3.50 plain**  
**Please phone Kim on 0274835721 for any orders, can deliver.**

**Pahiatua Junior Hockey**

Registrations for Winter Hockey  
22<sup>nd</sup> March 3.30pm to 4.30pm

Upstairs Hockey Pavilion Huxley Street  
Or email [ceri.treder@aon.com](mailto:ceri.treder@aon.com) or 06 376771

**Kumeroa Community Church Service**

Sunday 20th March 2016 at 10.00am  
All welcome

If you have any community news that you would like in future newsletters please call on school office on 3764542 or email : [office@kumeroa.school.nz](mailto:office@kumeroa.school.nz)

**Help A Local Girl Get To Ireland.**

Hi, I am Rachel Cannon, a 16 year old equestrian rider who lives in the Hopelands area. I have been selected to ride in the 2016 NZMGA U17 team at the World Mounted Games Championship in Ireland, this July, something I am very excited about! I was also in the 2015 NZMGA U17 team to Florida, USA, last year, where I gained valuable experience. Mounted Games is a fast paced, action packed discipline with riders and mounts displaying an incredible amount of fitness, training and skills. If you would like to following me, "like" my Facebook page called "Rachel Cannon Is Off to World Mounted Games Champs In Ireland". I am also doing a variety of fundraising activities if you would like to support me in them. 1. Bags of pine cones for sale at \$5/ bag or 5 for \$20. 2. Big bags (500grams) of RJ licorice at \$5/bag (Whariti Meats, Woodville, are also selling them for me) 3. Hyline pullets (hens) for sale now 4. Collecting aluminium cans. Thank you. Rachel Cannon ph 376 5218 (Ray and Sandra Cannon).



Rachel riding Mr Snuggles at World Champs in USA last year