

NEWSLETTER



Handwriting practice

Week 6, Term 3, 2015.

Tena koutou katoa,

This winter has hit many of us hard with a range of bugs doing the rounds. There have been coughs, colds, tummy bugs and a nasty flu which have meant many children have had time off school.

Children who are feeling under the weather are not in an optimal space for learning. It is often wiser to keep children home for a day or two when they first seem unwell rather than waiting for them to 'crash' which often results in several days off school. Staff will always ensure that students who are away are not disadvantaged with their learning.

Sometimes staff come down with these bugs and we do appreciate your understanding when we need to employ relief teachers or do a bit of internal 'juggling' in order to get through the week.

The sunnier, warmer days are almost here so hopefully we've seen the worst of the winter illness season. Take care of yourselves – stay warm and dry and remember to keep eating well.

On other health issues, we were very lucky to have Donna Milner (Public Health Nurse) visit us at school last week to talk about hygiene and hand washing with the Year 1 – 6 students. Donna has also been supporting the Positive Puberty programme for the Year 6 – 8 students.

Nga mihi nui,
Julia

School Calendar

Aug 28 - Community Assembly

Sept 3 - Technology

Sept 7 - Photos

Sept 8 - Domain Board AGM 7pm

Sept 14 - BOT meeting 6:30pm

Sept 17 - Technology

Sept 24 - Bush Formal Dance- Year 7 & 8

Sept 25 - Kapa Haka Festival

- Last day of school

Oct 12 - Term 4 starts

Oct 15 - Year 7/8 Technology

Oct 20 - Fundraising Group Meeting 7pm

Oct 26 - Labour Day

Nov 5 - Technology

Nov 9 - Pet Day

Nov 12 - Bush Ag Day

Full school calendar is available online at:

<http://kumeroa.school.nz>

Virtue:

Our virtue for week 6 is determination. *“The price of success is hard work, dedication to the job at hand, and the determination that whether we win or lose, we have applied the best of ourselves to the task at hand.”*

Congratulations

Congratulations to:

* Jaimee McKinlay who received the Principal’s award for week 5.

* Kobian Waitai, Thomas Harris and Zoe Williams who display creativity in their learning.

* Hopelands House who were our winners for week 5.

Community Assembly

Our mid-term community assembly is being held this Friday, August 28th at 2pm in the Nest. Mr Simon Marshall will be joining us for this assembly. Everyone is welcome.

Pet Day

Our school Pet Day will be held on November 9th. Categories are calves, lambs, dogs and other pets. Details about the other events to enter will come home closer to the time. Please note that lambs and calves must be born AFTER AUGUST 1st.

Pre-schoolers and home-schoolers are welcome to join us for this event.

School Photos

On Monday September 7th we will have school photos – the information and order envelopes were sent home last Monday. PLEASE CALL OR EMAIL THE OFFICE IF YOU WOULD LIKE A FAMILY PHOTO ENVELOPE SENT HOME.

Be involved in school/parenting survey

The Herald on Sunday has launched an anonymous online survey on schooling and parenting and would love to have you involved. The survey takes about five minutes to fill out and can be found at: <http://form.jotform.co/form/50757154478868>. Respondents don’t have to provide their names to the newspaper. The Herald on Sunday plans to write several trend-based stories on the survey responses.

Volleyball

Last Friday our Year 6 – 8 students participated in the Bush Volleyball competition. KHS 1 came in 4th place – the top placed school other than Pahiatua. Once again, a fantastic achievement for a small school. Many thanks to Brendon Harris for coaching the teams and to Ange Rivers, Dawn Fountaine and Janene Cave for their assistance on the day. Congratulations to Tim Cresswell and Paige Taylor who were Most Valuable Players for their teams.

Blogs

Please remember to visit our learning blogs – see what we’ve been doing and provide some feedback!
mathmindskhs.blogspot.co.nz and <http://kearoomkhs.blogspot.co.nz/>.

Movement for Learning

Kim has now established a Movement for Learning blog which can be found here <http://kumeroapmp.blogspot.co.nz/>. Kim will make regular posts about what is happening in the programme as well as keeping us up to date with research and information.

Reading Scavenger Hunt

It is great to see so many students actively planning and working their way through the scavenger hunt challenges. Several students have won spot prizes for completing sections already and three students have actually finished.

The hunt continues until the end of term, or until everyone is finished so please get behind your child and help them out by reading **with them** each night, checking they are completing challenges and signing off each book or activity they achieve.

There are still many spot prizes to be won along the way.

Bible in Schools

Bible in Schools will now be taught for the last half hour on a Friday. This change will not effect the bus times. On Fridays when we have a community assembly there will be no Bible in Schools.

School Office Attended Hours

Standard office hours will be 8am - 12ish, Monday to **Thursday**.

Please try and advise queries, absences, bus changes etc during these hours.

The best way to contact the school after these hours is to email Julia on principal@kumeroa.school.nz or if unable to email, please call 3764542.

REMEMBER

20kms or slower when going past a **school bus, either way**. Please watch out as children will often cross the road when the bus actually arrives to pick up, as well as when it drops off.

SPORTS

Draws

PLEASE NOTE NEW TIME FOR BASKETBALL!!!!

Basketball Friday 28 Aug

Court 1 4.05pm KH White vs Hillcrest Heroes

Miniball Friday 28 Aug

Court 2 4.05pm KH Black vs Eke Kiwis

Last Weeks Results

Sports Results

Miniball

KH Black lost 11 – 2 against Papatawa

BasketBall

KH White bye

Football

Woodville FMG won 5 – 1 against

Dannevirke Scanpower

CopperMine Nurseries lost 2 – 0 against Wallace Electrical

Woodville Service Centre lost 2 – 1

against KBFord Dannevirke

Fruitful Woodville lost 12 – 3 against

Dannevirke

Bush Hockey

Sharks won 12 – 3 against Milson

Seniors won 3 – 1 against Monrad

Bush Rugby

U12/13 won against Ashhurst

BUSH SATURDAY MORNING JUNIOR

RUGBY PRIZEGIVING

Saturday, 29th August 2015 at 2pm.

Upstairs at the Bush Multisport Stadium,

Pahiatua. Please bring a plate for a shared

afternoon tea.

Plastic Bottles Please - Greenhouse

Here at Kumeroa Hopelands School we are working on big projects. We are doing agri curriculum at school. Our group is in the greenhouse so we need only 1.5 litre fizzy plastic bottles please (any color). If you have any bottles the right size **please drop at school in the green rubbish container on the left hand side of the bus shed at any time** or call Kumeroa Hopelands School on 06-376-4542 for a pick up.

YUMMY APPLE STICKERS

Please make sure you send all your Yummy Apple stickers and cut outs to school so we can collect points for new sports gear. If anyone would like extra sheets please contact the office.

Straw Wanted

Here at Kumeroa-Hopelands school the pizza oven and chickens are after straw. Please if you have any we would appreciate it if you could donate some to the school. Thank you from Lucy Allomes on behalf of the pizza oven and chickens groups.

Worm Wees for Sale

It's back at Kumeroa Hopelands School. The fertiliser is back and it's great for your garden!

1 bottle for \$2.00

3 bottles for \$5.00

4 bottles for \$ 6.00

5 bottles for \$9.00

Meet the Minister for Workplace Relations and Safety

Copthorne Hotel, Solway Park, Masterton.

Tuesday 1st September 3.30pm - 5pm

(refreshments will follow)

Please see email attached with the emailed newsletter for more information.

AGM of the Kumeroa Domain Board
at 7 PM ON Tuesday 8th September.**KOHINUI** 3 bedroom house for rent.

College bus at gate, single garage and big shed, \$160pw. refs required.

Contact Ian 06 3765559.

Student Exchange Australia New Zealand Ltd

In January 2016 we will be receiving exchange students from Bolivia, Austria, Germany, Italy and the USA. Our new arrivals will live with a host family and attend a local school for 3, 5 or 10 months. As we plan for their arrival, we are keen to hear from suitable families who might be interested to host a student. Please see email attached with the emailed newsletter for more information.

Does your sports club, school or recreation provider need to learn more about the Sport NZ Club Warrant of Fitness, Grassroots Coaching Course, Tararua Alliance Sport Awards and local funding opportunities?

Sport Manawatu invites you to attend the Sports Club Information Evening on Wednesday August 26, 6pm at the Tararua Business Hub 40 Denmark Street Dannevirke. If you or a representative from your organisation is able to attend please rsvp to me by August 24 of your attendance. **Natarsha Nikora**

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