



KAWAHA POINT NEWSLETTER

Our School



Ki Te Taumata- Aim for the Best

*Learn * Care * Grow*

*Kia Kaha * Kia Maia * Kia Manawanui*

** Kia Angitu*

PRINCIPAL'S PEN

Hello. Aloha. Namaste. Kia Ora. Welcome to Week 3

Thank you so much for your incredible support at our Halloween dance! I was blown away by the amazing effort our families put into dressing up—it made the night so much fun for everyone!

A big thank you also for supporting our Kapa Haka roopu with their uniforms. The roopu has been practicing hard and sound fantastic. We're excited for them to perform at our Ahurei in Week 7!

Important Updates

- **Teacher Only Day Postponed:**We've postponed the planned Teacher Only Day on **Monday, 18th November**. Instead, we'll use relievers to release teachers for planning, keeping disruptions to a minimum.

- **Teacher Only Days for 2025:**Next year, with the new Maths curriculum and Structured Literacy programs, the Ministry of Education has requested schools take Teacher Only Days for professional development. The Board is reviewing draft dates for 2025 to ensure we meet the required school days while balancing family needs. We aim to finish as close to the holidays as possible, avoiding an early December end, and will start school promptly in the new year.

- **2024 School Year End Date:**This year, school will finish on Thursday, 19th December at midday.

Upcoming Events

- **Market Day:** Please join us for our **Market Day on Friday, 15th November from 11am to 1pm**. This is a great opportunity to see the creativity and entrepreneurial spirit of our students!

- **Sunhats Reminder:** With the warmer weather, sunhats are essential for all students. If your child's hat goes missing, replacements are available for purchase in the school office.

Have a wonderful week, and thank you for being a part of our KPS community!

Piki te Ora.

Maria and the beautiful staff at KPS.

FRIDAY 1ST NOVEMBER COMING UP WEEK 3,4 AND WEEK 5



Week One - Term 4 2024 14th October to Thursday 19th December 2024	
Monday 14th October	Term 4 begins
Friday 18th October	Newsletter day Sundaes for sale \$3
Week Two	
Wednesday 23rd October	PTA Meeting 5.30pm-Staffroom All welcome.
Friday 25th October	Teacher Only Day- School Closed
Week Three	
Monday 28th October	Labour Day- No school
Thursday 31st October	School Halloween Disco- 5.30-7pm
Friday 1st November	School Assembly- Taumata Hub Presenting Newsletter day
Week Four	
Monday 4th November	Board meeting- Board Room 5.30pm
Friday 8th November	PTA mufti day- for Christmas Hamper
Week Five	
Tuesday 12th November	CBOP fun for you day- Year 0-3 at KPS
Friday 15th November	School Assembly- Ngonogotahā Hub Newsletter Day Shop day 11-1pm Share the Learning Mufti

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REMINDER
**Book Character dress up day-
Wednesday-
House points up for grabs.**



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★ SPOTLIGHT ON SPORTS

★ MRS H HEADLINES



ATTENDANCE- EVERYDAY COUNTS

Days missed = years lost
 A day here and there doesn't seem like much, BUT
 When your child misses just **1 day a fortnight**
 they miss..... **4 weeks per year = 1 year over** their school life
 and
 if they miss **1 day a week = 8 weeks per year = 2.5 years over** their school life.

It is our shared responsibility and is very important that school and whanau work together to support attendance. The **Ministry of Education (MOE)** is responsible for services and initiatives designed to support schools to monitor and improve attendance. Schools and kura must have attendance policies and procedures, and they must record and report on attendance. Whānau - parents and caregivers must make sure their children are at school every day, and let the school know on the day if they're absent. If you do not let us know the reason for your child's absence it is recorded as **UNJUSTIFIED**. The current guidelines also state that for more than 5 days of **UNJUSTIFIED** absence the school is responsible to inform whanau and offer support and take action. Under MOE guidelines, family holidays, birthdays or taking time off for extracurricular activities (not organised by school) are **NOT** acceptable reasons for being absent. These absences will be recorded as **UNJUSTIFIED**.

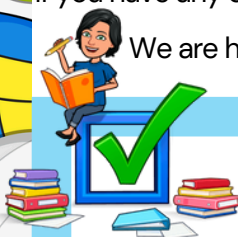
Please let us know when your child is going to be away from school and the reason.

You can do this by:

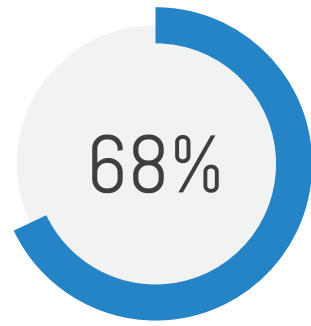
- Calling the office on 073485864 and leave a message on the answerphone or with our office administrators.
- Connect to the HERO app and leave a note of absence.
- Let your child's class teacher know they will be absent. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to ask let us know.

We are here to help and support your whanau.

Mrs H.



ATTENDANCE WEEK 3



Here is the weekly timetable for all sports this term:

MONDAY: Netball

- KPS Kaha - Yr 5 & 6
- KPS Maia - Yr 2, 3 & 4
- KPS Manawa - Yr 0, 1 & 2

TUESDAY: Touch

- KPS Kaha - Yr 5 & 6

WEDNESDAY - Touch

- KPS Maia - Yr 3 & 4
- KPS Manawanui - Yr 0, 1 & 2

THURSDAYS - Rippa (starts Week 3)

- KPS Kaha - Yr 5 & 6
- KPS Maia - Yr 3 & 4
- KPS Angitu - Yr 3 & 4
- KPS Manawa - Yr 1 & 2
- KPS Taumata - Yr 1 & 2

SUNDAYS - Futsal

- KPS Kaha - Yr 5 & 6
- KPS Maia - Yr 3 & 4

Please don't forget to pay sports fees if your child is playing sports.



SCHOOL DATES FOR 2024

★ TERM 4 WHAT'S HAPPENING IN THE CLASSES ★

Market Day- Friday 15th November 11am-1pm

Our classes are busy organising a **Market Day** coming up in **week 5**.

Each class will be selling goods or a service. They have been busy designing their products this week and testing them out. Putting together a business plan and discussing how much to sell their products for.

The class that makes the biggest profit (after expenses have been taken out) will win a scrumptious afternoon tea! The profits from the market day will help pay for their end of term trips. **Family and friends are most welcome to come along to the Market day and join in the fun.**

Fairytales- Our Writing focus for term 4.

Our classes are learning some traditional fairy tales and will be writing their own fairytales this term. Plus, later on in the term every child will be involved in the creative story writing competition- with the top story from each class being awarded a Duffy book.

Our school BOOK FAIR is coming up- come in and have a look at the books- buy some for Christmas presents! Open from Tuesday 29th October- Late night 31st October.

PRE SCHOOL BUDDIES

We have Pre School Buddies every **Tuesday afternoon from 2pm**. Come along and have a tour of the school, spend time with Mrs H in the library and then pop in and be a part of Space 3 our year 0 classroom. Any questions please contact Jenny Hermansson or Sheree Jansen, Space 3 teacher.

Do you know a family with any pre schoolers- we are keen to grow our roll- suggest us!

We would love to have them!

YEAR 6 CAMP

The Year 6s will be off on camp in December. They will be travelling to Auckland for an awesome two day Auckland experience which includes- Staying at Kelly Tarlton's, visiting the Sky Tower, Auckland Museum, eating fish chips at Mission Bay! Please remember to pay your camp fees.



Welcome to KPS



Lazuli - Space 4



McKenzie - Space 8



Wairua - Space 6



Halloween!



Me ako tahi. tātou kia puawai. ke te ao marama
Together we learn, care and grow

Congrats!



Commercial painting and maintenance

Pari from Space 15



Pari entered a national colouring in competition with Carus a commercial painting and maintenance company. AND SHE WON!!

Pari has won our school \$2000 worth of sporting equipment!

WELL DONE PARI KPS WILL DEFINITELY BENEFIT FROM THIS SPORTING EQUIPMENT.

~ Tino Miharo! ~

COMMUNITY NOTICES



Beginners After school Art Classes with Janet Keen enrolling NOW for Term 4 and Term 1 2025

Drawing, Painting, Mosaics.

Tuesdays 3.30pm to 4.30pm

Wednesdays and Thursdays 3.30pm to 4.30pm 4.35pm to 5.35pm

Small classes, friendly, safe, quiet, organic environment.

From age 8 and upwards.

Enquiries welcome: Phone 027 351 3887 or email

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374 Clayton Road, Rotorua.

A poster for Rotorua Swim Squads. The background is a blue underwater scene with a swimmer. At the top is the Rotorua logo, which includes the text "ROTORUA" and "SWIM SQUADS". The main text reads "TERM 4 SWIM SQUADS" in large, orange, bold letters. Below this, it says "IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO ENROL FOR TERM 4". The text continues: "SWIM ROTORUA - YOUR FRIENDLY SWIM CLUB WITH A STRONG EMPHASIS ON DEVELOPING YOUNG PEOPLE THROUGH TEAM WORK, AQUATIC SKILLS AND CONFIDENCE." It then lists the types of swimming offered: "WE OFFER SQUAD SWIMMING FROM POST LEARN TO SWIM; CATERING FOR JUNIORS, TEEN FIT, COMPETITIVE, AND MASTERS SWIMMERS." The next line says "IMPROVE YOUR SWIMMING, FITNESS AND WELLBEING". Finally, it provides contact information: "FOR MORE INFO AND TO ARRANGE ASSESSMENT EMAIL HEADCOACHSWIMROTORUA@gmail.com".

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MARKET DAY

Friday, 15th November

Kawaha Point School - 11am - 1pm



Market Day is a great opportunity for all to come and see/buy the beautiful arts and crafts created by your tamariki!!

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