



SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Term Three - 19 September 2024



Perspective

Education is currently swimming in a sea of curriculum change. Some of this has bipartisan support, and some is subject to the changing winds of political leadership. It is easy to become focused on a few frustrating things and miss the wider view. I have taken on the challenge this month of adjusting perspective. It's what we ask the students to do - focus on the positive things in their view, step up, be a can-do kid, and strive for their best.

Our school and students are amazing! You can walk through classrooms and see our students working hard and learning new things. Staff and parents are organising great opportunities for students like this weekend's cull, the boardwalk extension, and the soon to be unveiled 15ft trampoline!!

Congratulations Sylvie and Kayden!



Sylvie had an incredible week at the North Island Secondary School Equestrian Championships 2024, which were recently held in Taupo. She represented Kaharoa School and competed in all the disciplines - competitive trekking, dressage, and jumping at 1m on her horse Squidge. She competed against 600+ competitors over the week and placed well in trekking and jumping.

Kayden shared with me his BOP MCC Mini Rider 'best fall of the day' trophy. Great to see our seniors and little people involved in a wide range of sports and opportunities.



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Notices:

Calves Wanted!

Kaharoa PTA would love to hear from anyone willing to donate a calf (or two) to our PTA who will then graze them and sell them as fundraising for the school. If you are able to help, please contact Ruth on 027 610 9213.

Interested students/whānau wanted to help with Pest Control

Mr Cook is going to help fill bait stations with (non toxic) 'prefeed' on Saturday 21st September from 9am-12pm. Interested community members can contact gdy@outlook.co.nz and register to help. Mr Cook will have space to take a small handful of interested students in Y5-8. Contact 0275425400.

Kaharoa Kokako Trust - Pest Control Notification

Attached to the emailed copy of this newsletter is a **Community Notice** regarding the upcoming pest control operations in the Kaharoa Management Area. This Notice has also been delivered to residents in the surrounding area. **We note in particular, that it is recommended that dogs should not enter the Management area between Sept-Feb.**

Whānau Hui - 23 September, 6:30pm

In considering our current Te Ao Māori review, and values reorganisation we would like to hold a whānau hui with the following korero:

- which te reo words best align to each of our 4 values above
- working on updating our graduate profile statement in te reo
- hearing your aspirations for Te Ao Māori in our school
- updates about our whakawhanaungatanga group
- sharing plans for a whole school hangi around matariki time in 2025

PRE-ORDERS ONLY - MONDAY BBQ

Next week, Monday 23 September we are doing a bulk planting of trees near the front of the school and will celebrate with a BBQ and popcorn.

\$3 for BBQ sausage and popcorn

\$5 for 2x BBQ sausage and popcorn

These can be pre-ordered from the office window at morning tea time each day until Friday. There will be NO ORDERS ON THE DAY. Pre-orders only. That way we can defrost and cook the right amount of sausages.

Community Notices:

See the “Community News” page on our website for opportunities being offered in our community. Most recent additions include a [Wings on Display - Aviation Open Day at Rotorua Airport](#) and [Real Parents online parenting sessions](#) “Parenting Styles” and “Wellbeing and Resilience”.

CONNECT WITH KAHAROA

KCA

KAHAROA COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

The KCA is supported by a small committee that oversees the running of the Kaharoa Community Hall and provides opportunities for residents to meet on topics of interest and for social activities. If you would like to get involved in the Kaharoa Community Association or would like to be included in their email database to receive updates about what is happening in the area, please email Chris & Jamie Paterson at chrisjam@xtra.co.nz

What's on?

20 September

Positive Puberty Plus, Y5-8s

NEST Consulting will be onsite to deliver their Positive Puberty Plus programme

23 September

Whanau hui, 6:30pm-8pm

All parents and caregivers invited to attend to discuss values reorganisation and Te Reo curriculum.

25 September

Gardasil (HPV) Vaccination Clinic for Y8s

27 September

Whole School Assembly, 9am

Parents and caregivers are welcome
-and-

Last Day of Term 3

30 September

Kaharoa School Board Meeting, 5:30pm

Parents and caregivers are welcome

14 October

First Day Term 4

Recent School Emails

- **Positive Puberty Plus Opt In - for Y5s / Opt Out - for Y6-8** (sent 17 Sept)
- **Kaharoa Snapshot** (sent 11 Sept)