

TE KOPURU SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Whakatauki

Whaowhia te kete matauranga
Fill the basket of knowledge.

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Welcome back to Term four. This term is a short 9 week term and it promises to be very busy!

The Te Kopuru School Board of Trustees has approved the implementation of the free and healthy school lunch programme, possibly starting term 2, 2021. The free lunch programme has been trialed this year in other schools, and next year our school is included in the rollout. The lunches must be healthy and nutritious, meeting the Ministry of Health nutritional guidelines. A typical weekly menu might include a variety of lunches such as wraps, vegetable sticks, dips, salads, soups and hot food. This is a positive initiative and more information will be sent home to whanau as it comes to hand.

The implementation of a Te Kopuru School uniform for students was also discussed at our recent Board meeting. Examples for parents to have a look at will be on show at our Pet and Project Day on Wednesday 28 October, and will also be set up in the admin foyer. Your feedback would be appreciated.

The official blessing and opening of our Food Technology room will be held on Tuesday 27 October at 1.30pm. An invitation is extended to our community to attend our grand opening.

New carpets have been laid over the recent holiday period in rooms 4,5,6 and they look very smart. The installation of aluminium windows in the office areas and around past the sick bay is our next property project. The school is looking very clean and smart.

As we are in Covid Level 1 we will continue the Public Health measures to help reduce transmission of illness:

maintain good cleaning and disinfecting practices

keep encouraging good hygiene standards

people who are unwell should stay away, and seek medical advice

everyone should get tested if recommended to do so by health professionals.

I look forward to catching up with family over the next couple of weeks.

Please take care.

Nga mihi nui
Lee Anderson
Principal

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TE KOPURU SCHOOL CALENDAR

- **Wednesday 21st October-** Sport Northland Water Safe
- **Monday 26th October-** Labour Day holiday
- **Tuesday 27th October-** Official blessing and opening of our Food Technology room at 1.30pm
- **Wednesday 28th October-** Pet and Project Day
- **Wednesday 4th November-** Northern Wairoa Central Day
- **Weds-Fri 11th-13th November-** Yr 7 & 8 Camp
- **Wednesday 18th November-** Dargaville High School Visit Yr 8 students
- **Thursday 19th November-** Te Kopuru School Athletics
- **Friday 27th November-** Northern Wairoa Athletics
- **Monday 30th November-Wednesday 2nd December-** Parent teacher interviews
- **Thursday 10th December-** School Prizegiving 11am in the hall

Reminder -Please regularly check your child/children for head lice. Inquire at the school office if you would like some head lice treatment from Kidscan.

Lunch orders available Term 4 every Friday- please place your order at the school office before the first bell. Please see the office if you would like the list of food from Empire.

All 2019 prize giving recipients- If you have trophies at home that need your name engraved on them please return them to the office ASAP so they can be sent away for engraving. Thank you.

Senior students have been making bird boxes with Mr Nelson. If you would like to support them the bird boxes are available to purchase for \$10.00. Please contact the school if you would like one.

ONLINE SAFETY FOR PARENTS

<https://www.netsafe.org.nz/online-safety-for-parents/>

4. SET A GOOD EXAMPLE

How often do you use your laptop or smartphone at the dinner table? How many angry posts have you published? Take a look at the way you use technology while young people are around. If you see something that troubles you - change it.



Te Kopuru School

Pet and Project Day

Wednesday 28th October 2020

Rationale: Pet and Project Day provides the opportunity for children to care for an animal and to present exhibits for competition.

Goals: To help children care for an animal and develop a good relationship with a pet. To encourage children to participate as good competitors. To provide a selection of activities to develop creativity and Individuality.

General: Pet and Project Day provides an excellent opportunity for the Te Kopuru School community to participate in an enjoyable school day with the children. Please support your child by supporting their efforts and encouraging participation. The staff of Te Kopuru School actively encourages student effort and it would be appreciated if the exhibits were completed solely by the child. The day comprises of 3 sections:

Animals

(Animals shall be born between 1 July and 15 September)

The animals are judged in terms of Leading, Rearing and Calling. The Rules of the events generally follow the Northern Wairoa Boys and Girls Agricultural Club Rules. Please remember that no entire male animal is allowed. We need to know if your child is taking their animal to Central Day as they need to be registered.

Indoor Exhibits

These exhibits fall into technology categories – Craft-ICT, Art, Floral, and Food. Students are expected to present 8 exhibits. Most exhibits will be completed at school as part of our technology curriculum. These exhibits will be assessed by teachers as per criteria. Some exhibits will be completed at home. Please refer to your child's class list. All exhibits will be displayed in the Hall. They will be judged and points awarded accordingly.

Pet Section

We are inviting children to bring their much loved pet to school. These pets could be goldfish, guinea pigs, cats, mice, birds..... **Please NO DOGS!**

These pets need to be caged, with adequate WATER AND FOOD FOR THE DAY. Children need to write a brief pet description for the judge's.

Special certificates will be presented to the pet owners.

Father's Cake Auction

This is of historic significance that this fun event takes place on Pet and Project Day. All Dads are encouraged to bake a cake for auction.

Organisation for the Day:

All indoor exhibits (that have been completed at home) are to be at school by 9am Wednesday 28th October so that they can be judged. All exhibits will be displayed in the hall.

Timetable:

8.45am: Children to classes to prepare final activities.

10.00am: All animals need to be at school.

10.30am: Judging of Indoor Exhibits.

12.00pm: Lunch - Hall open for viewing (When judging completed)

12.30pm: Cake Auction and Prize giving in the School Hall.

Note: Please leave all exhibits on display until after Prize giving.

INFORMATION FOR PARENTS:

Cyclists: A reminder to parents and students who use the school grounds to ride their bikes, that there is a legal requirement to wear helmets.

Lost Property: There is always a huge amount of clothing and footwear etc. left at school each day. It is expected that all student's clothing and equipment be named clearly.

Homework Centre: This is available after school from 2.45pm to 3.45pm - Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursdays. (Friday supervision only for Dargaville Bus Students).

Afternoon Tea is provided. If you require your child to attend the homework centre, please notify the school either by phone, email or note. If there is no notification, your child will be sent home as per their normal after school routine.

Absences: It would be appreciated if the School is notified if your child is absent for the day. Please phone or email. This is a Ministry requirement. Satisfactory Ministry of Education reasons for absence: Illness for 1—3 days, Medical Certificate for longer than 3 days. Family death/illness of a relative.

Reminder: We are a SMOKE FREE and DOG FREE SCHOOL

AFTER SCHOOL ROUTINES

Parents/Caregivers must notify the school in writing or by phone call if there is any change to normal after school student routines. It is preferable for the school to be notified in the morning, and **no later than 2pm** when the phone messages are cleared for the final time of the school day.

The school will not be responsible for relaying any late phone messages to students.

The school asks that parents/caregivers use the manned road patrol if students are being picked up by parents. **The school asks that parents park across the road in the parking area to avoid congestion on the school side.**

School finishes at 2.40pm and students need to be collected from school at that time.

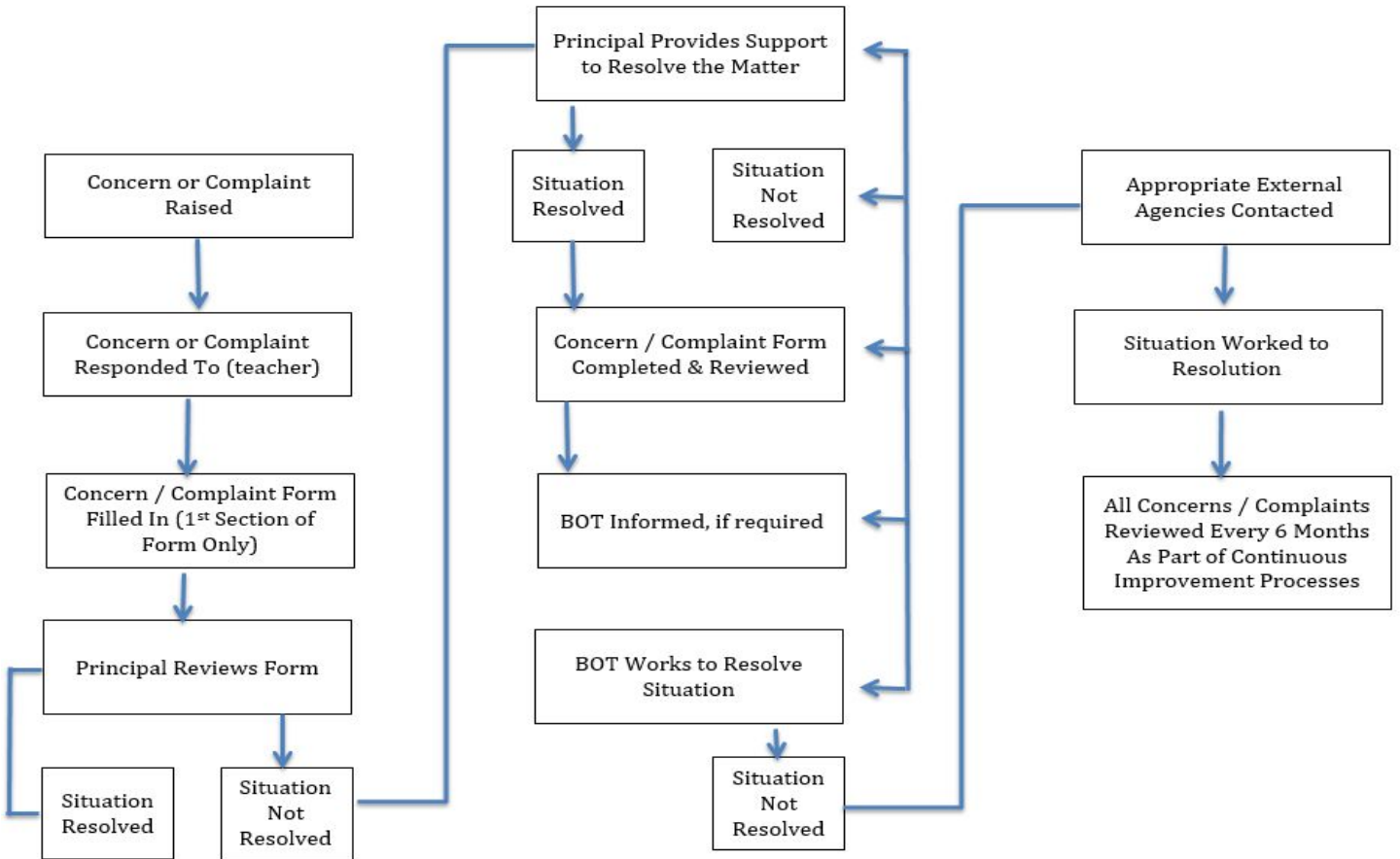
If parents want ineligible bus students to travel on a bus, parents must organise this with Ritchie's Bus Transport (Ph 439 4902) for approval before notifying the school.

Please make sure you inform your child before school if there are any changes to their after school arrangements to avoid confusion.

Communication with the school

- We run an open door policy, Please come in and discuss any concerns/questions you may have.
- Contact details- **Please ensure the school has a current phone number in order to get hold of you in an emergency.** Phone or email Jessica at the office. Phone 439 1802 and leave a detailed message or email jessica@tekopuru.school.nz
- School Newsletter: The school newsletter is emailed fortnightly, Please supply your email address to the office. If you miss a copy you can obtain one from the office or go to our website www.tekopuru.school.nz
- If it is easier for you to report absences or change afterschool plans via email please add jessica@tekopuru.school.nz to your contacts. Note the same rules apply as a phone message, cut off for messages is strictly 2pm daily.
- Parents/Caregivers can send a written note to the office to advise of absences or any changes to student routines.

Concerns / Complaints Flowchart Procedure



Te Kopuru School is your local place to vote in the 2020 election on Saturday 17th of October

The Lighthouse Church & Cool Bananas Invite You To

The Grand Circus LIGHT PARTY

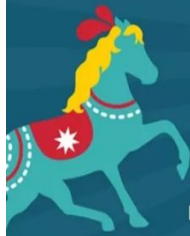
Come along to our annual light party
SATURDAY 31ST OCTOBER 6 - 8PM

GAMES | SIDESHOWS | FACEPAINTING | LOLLIES
FOOD FOR SALE | FANCY DRESS COMPETITION & MORE
(please no witches, devils or scary costumes)

An event for the whole family

78 Normanby Street Gold Koha Entry

Contact Marion for more info - 0274594518



CANDY FLOSS



BOUNCY CASTLE



Hey kids, what are you doing this summer?



BAYLYS BEACH
SURF LIFE SAVING

Baylys Surf Life Saving runs
Junior Surf for kids aged between 4 - 13 years.
Your kids will learn surf sports and water safety, have
heaps of fun, make new friends and belong to an
awesome club.

Junior Surf training hours 10:30am - 12:00pm Sundays

For more information email
admin@slsbaylysbeach.org
or website slsbaylysbeach.org

Open Day Saturday 17th October, 2020
11:00am - 2:00pm.

The Open day will be at the beach entrance.

