



ISSUE 7 | FRIDAY 16 MAY 2025

WELCOME TO OUR

Newsletter

Principal's Message

Kia ora parents and whanau

Last Friday at Toroa assembly, our Year 6 students presented their leadership speeches to their parents. I was very proud of how they managed to control their nerves and read their speeches and it was lovely to see the proud parents and grandparents hearing how much they are admired by their children and grandchildren.

Teachers are well underway with teaching the first lessons from Keeping Ourselves Safe, a comprehensive child abuse prevention programme for schools. This programme is recommended to be taught in schools every two years and requires a parent consultation meeting. On Monday our police education officer Charlotte Codlin, presented at our meeting for parents and it was great to see a number of parents at our gathering. Charlotte covered the objectives and lesson content for each of the programmes that are based on age and emphasised the importance of the programme in educating children. Teachers complete the first two lessons and Charlotte visits each classroom to teach two lessons. Charlotte will be visiting on Tuesday the 20th of May to do her teaching in each class. Information on the programme can be found on the following links and as always, you are welcome to come in and ask any questions you may have. You can support at home

Year 1-3

<https://www.police.govt.nz/advice/personal-and-community-advice/school-portal/resources/successful-relationships/junior-primary>

Year 4-6

<https://www.police.govt.nz/advice/personal-and-community-advice/school-portal/resources/successful-relationships/middle-primary>

Today is Pink Shirt Day and while we are not publicly supporting it this year, this does not mean we don't take bullying seriously. At Kaikōura Suburban School, every child has the right to feel safe, respected, and valued. Bullying of any kind—whether physical, verbal, emotional, or online—is not tolerated under any circumstances.

We are committed to creating a positive and inclusive environment where students support one another and differences are celebrated. Our staff are trained to recognise and respond quickly to any signs of bullying, and we encourage open communication between students, parents, and teachers. The sooner we know about concerns, the sooner these can be addressed. If your child ever feels uncomfortable or witnesses bullying, please don't hesitate to reach out. Working together, we can ensure that Kaikōura Suburban School remains a safe and welcoming place for everyone.

You will have been hearing a lot through the media about the new refreshed curriculum for Literacy and Maths. The new curriculum sets higher expectations for what students should know and be able to do at each year level. As a result, your child's progress might look different compared to previous years. This doesn't mean they are falling behind – they are still learning and making progress. What has changed is the standard, which is now more challenging. The shift reflects a stronger, more ambitious curriculum, not a drop in your child's performance.

Teachers are still supporting each child's learning and helping them grow from where they are. This shift is about making sure all students are being challenged and prepared for the future. If you have any questions or concerns about your child's progress, we encourage you to talk with their teacher. The teaching team have designed a draft timeline to work to so that refreshed goals, progress and written comments will be available at the end of Week 8, this term.

On Tuesday, the teaching staff went to walk the cross country course up at Barry and Justine Schroder's farm. The children will be walking the course with the staff and then running it on Wednesday 21st of May with a postponement date of Friday 23rd of May. We will be making a call about postponement on Tuesday afternoon so please watch for messages on the Suburban Whanau and Family Facebook page, Skool Loop and HERO.

Please ensure the children are wearing their sports tops and running shoes and perhaps send a change of clothes and shoes. The course is the best school cross country course I have experienced, our students are very lucky! An enormous thanks to Barry and Justine for hosting us.

Parking for the cross country will be soggy. Drive up to the cattle yards and turn in the loop there before coming out and parking facing downhill on the side of the road please. Staff will be putting out cones for hidden culverts so you know where the hazards are when parking on the roadside. Please wear suitable footwear for wet and muddy terrain!

Welcome to our new FORCE students Charlotte, Ned and Mason who have all started in Piwakawaka class this term. We are looking forward to seeing how much you can learn this year!

There has been much publicity on the Ministry of Education's new attendance mandates and how schools are monitoring attendance. As a school, we are delighted to say that there are a number of children who had 100% attendance for Term 1.

Toroa – Tyler, Brax and Oscar
Titi – Sam, Maddie, Klara
Piwakawaka – Emma, Parker

Congratulations to you and to the parents and whanau who ensure 100% attendance happens.

Nga mihi nui
Kylee Habgood





Important Dates

Mon 19 May	Teachers Only Day - School CLOSED
Tue 20 May	Board Meeting - 6pm - Whare Ako
Wed 21 May	KSS Cross Country
Fri 23 May	Pink Ribbon Breakfast - from 8:30am
Fri 23 May	Titi Assembly
Fri 23 May	Postponement Date - KSS Cross Country
Mon 2 June	King's Birthday Public Holiday - School CLOSED
Fri 6 June	Piwakawaka Assembly
Tue 17 June	Board Meeting - 6pm - Whare Ako
Fri 20 June	Matariki Public Holiday - School CLOSED
Fri 27 June	Non-Uniform Day Ronald McDonald - PJ day
Fri 27 June	Toroa Assembly
Fri 27 June	Last Day - Term 2
Mon 14 July	First Day - Term 3
Fri 19 Sept	Last Day - Term 3
Mon 6 Oct	First Day - Term 4
Mon 27 Oct	Labour Day
Mon 3 Nov	Marlborough Anniversary Day
Fri 12 Dec	Last Day - Term 4



Celebrating Support Staff Week and Special Birthdays with Cake, Kai, and Heartfelt Cards

This week, our staff were delighted to celebrate Support Staff Day and two special birthdays with a shared morning tea. Our tamariki added a personal touch by creating beautiful birthday cards, showcasing their very best handwriting. We hope both birthday stars felt the love and joy from our school.



PIWAKAWAKA

The Piwakawaka students have been learning about our solar system and the planets in it. We have learnt many interesting facts about each planet through listening to songs, reading books and sharing what we knew. We acted out the planets revolving around the sun. This week we learnt about the biggest star in our solar system, the sun. The sun's heat and light are what we need to live on planet earth. This week we had Moana Skies come to talk to the students about constellations and night sky.



Titi Class

This week we have been learning about the planets and doing our Keeping Ourselves Safe programme. We know what makes us unique and special. We have also been training hard for next week's cross country. Many of us can now run two full laps of the school! We are ready to take on the ups and downs, the long grass and muddy patches of Schroder's farm. It is going to be so much fun.

Toroa Class

The Toroa class has had many things to celebrate over the past two weeks! One standout achievement has been the huge improvement in handwriting across all subject areas—it's been so rewarding to see the effort and pride students are putting into their written work.

We've also seen a noticeable increase in homework engagement, with more students taking initiative and showing enthusiasm for their learning at home!

This week, we've launched into an exciting new focus: character studies. Students are diving into exploring different personalities, motivations, and traits, which will soon tie into a creative project we're all looking forward to—our Trash Fashion entry! As part of this, we'll be designing and creating costumes made entirely from recycled or repurposed materials.

To help with this, we'd love it if students could begin bringing in any clean, recyclable items from home that might be useful—think bottle caps, cardboard, fabric scraps, old magazines, and anything else that could be transformed into something fabulous.

We can't wait to see what the students create!

Student Voice

Cross Country

Cross country is coming up on Wednesday the 21st of May at Barry and Justine Schroder's farm at the top of McInnes Road.

Game on

Today we went to the KPS and the Takahanga sports hub for Game On, we played netball squash and croquet.

Fyffe FORCE leaders

On Friday 9th of May the Year 6 students were presented with their leadership badges.



What's Happening



Kaikoura Suburban School 150th Jubilee

Kaikoura Suburban School is turning 150 in April 2026 and we invite expressions of interest to form a committee for organising the celebrations. If you are a past or present school community member who holds knowledge of the school and you're keen to help, please email Annie at office@ks.school.nz to register your interest. We will hold an initial meeting in April 2025. We look forward to hearing from you!



KAIKOURA WHALE RUN

SATURDAY 6TH SEPTEMBER 2025
@KAIKOURA SUBURBAN SCHOOL



5K | 12K | 21K

Run or walk + Kids Marafun

COME ALONG AND SUPPORT OUR
ANNUAL SCHOOL FUNDRAISER!



School Gate



The school gate will remain closed between the hours of 9:00am and 3:00pm for student safety.

If you wish to drive into school during these hours please ensure you open and close the gate behind you.

Thank you for your understanding.

School Bus Reminder

If your child is going to be collected from school rather than going on the bus, please call Annie before 12:30pm.



Please note:
We no longer accept cash for Lucky Book Club. Please order online via loop from issue 4. Thank you.



Board By-Election

Have Your Say in Education!

Nominations are now open for one Community Representative on the School Board! This is your chance to be part of key decisions shaping the future of our school and students. Make a difference—step up or nominate someone today!

For more details, contact Abby, Returning Officer

Nominations open:
Now

Nominations close:
Mon 26 May 25
at 12:00pm



What's Happening

Attendance Matters

Please let Annie know by 9:00am if your child will not be attending school. You can do this via HERO, Skool Loop App, email or phone.

If you or your child are running late, please check in with Annie before heading to class.



School Policies & Procedures

All of our school policies are online. Every policy and procedure comes up for review every three years to ensure they stay current. You can view all of these by logging in with the below details.

[https://kaikourasub.schooldocs.co.nz/Login.aspx?ReturnUrl=%2f](https://kaikourasub schooldocs.co.nz/Login.aspx?ReturnUrl=%2f)

Login: kaikourasub
Password: fyffeforce

Policies for review in Term 2

- Planning and Preparing for Emergencies, Disasters and Crises
- Communication During an Emergency
- Emergency Closure
- Emergency Management
- Disaster Management
- Crisis Management

Uniform

Uniform can be ordered through our school website at any time.

To order, go to www.kaikourasuburban.school.nz and click on the 'For Whanau' link. In the dropdown menu, click on uniform shop. After you pay online, you will be notified when items are available.



Police Vetting

If you are intending on being a parent help at school events or camps, can you please come and collect a police vetting form from Annie.

All volunteers who work with and around our children require a police vet. This also includes coaching sports teams for our school.

If you have previously had a police vet done by Kaikōura Suburban School, **please be aware they only last three years** so you may require another one.

Please note: These can take up to 20 working days to be processed.

WWW.KAIKOURASUBURBAN.SCHOOL.NZ

Community Notices

RED BIKES RED TOOLS BBQ

FARMLANDS HONDA

Come along, chat and enjoy a feed with the guys from Milwaukee, try out their range of tools on display. Honda Blenheim, for all your Honda servicing, parts and new equipment needs. Fraser and the team from Property Brokers, whether you're considering buying, selling or just want a chat about the local property market, they will be happy to answer any questions.

WHEN: 21ST MAY 2025
TIME: 10:00am – 2:00pm
WHERE: FARMLANDS KAIKOURA

**EVERYONE WELCOME!
 SEE YOU THERE!**

ON YOUR SIDE BY SIDE

Milwaukee

KAIKOURA HUNTING AND FISHING MEN'S OPEN

Saturday 31st May & Sunday 1st June
11.00am Tee off - 18 Holes

Kaikoura GOLF CLUB

Gross, Nett and Hole Prizes
 2 Grades
 Maximum Playing Handicap 36
 Entry fee \$50.00 per person
 Includes - CTP's and 2's

Entries close Saturday, 24th May
 Draw displayed at Clubhouse Thursday, 29th and on website.
www.kaikouragolf.co.nz
 Email entries to info@kaikouragolf.co.nz
 Please include name, golf member ID and playing groups if preferred.

For any further enquiries phone 03 319 5628

Hunting & Fishing NEW ZEALAND

Life after Stroke

KAIKOURA
 A workshop for anyone affected by stroke

Connect with others in your community affected by stroke to learn about life after stroke, including how to reduce the risk of secondary stroke and how to manage the impact stroke has on you and the ones you love.

Friday 23rd May 2025, 10:00am - 1:00pm
Venue: Kaikoura Memorial Hall (Supper Room)
 32 Esplanade, Kaikoura 7300

To register:
 Email: kirstie.hamilton@stroke.org.nz or scan the QR code

Stroke
 Aotearoa NZ

Café Catch Up with Stuart

Got a minute or five? Join Stuart Smith, your MP for Kaikoura Electorate, for coffee and a chat

Monday 26 May, 1.00pm - 2.00pm
 King Tide Eatery,
 72 Esplanade, Kaikoura

National NZ

FRESH YOUTH CULTURE DEVELOPMENT

YCD YOUTH PARTY

Hosted by **CLUBKINGZ & TAIHOI FROM KAIKOURA**

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To celebrate the Scout Hall revamp, and also upcoming Youth Week. Come along and jam out with the community and have some fun.

FRIDAY 16TH MAY
 Years 7-11 (5pm-6:30pm) Ages 16+ (6:30pm-8pm)
 23 Beach Road, Scout Hall, Kaikoura

FREE KAI & DRINKS PROVIDED
 More details available from Sarah at Te Hā o Mātauranga

YCD TE HĀ o MĀTAURANGA

Come Line Dancing
 For the more mobile retiree

When: Tuesdays 9am - 10am
Where: Memorial Hall
Cost: \$5.00 inc. Cuppa & Cake

KAIKOURA MEN'S MID-WEEK TOURNAMENT

Wednesday, 11th June, 2025
11.00am Tee off - 18 Holes

AMERICAN FOURSOMES

Kaikoura GOLF CLUB

Entry fee \$30.00 per person
 Includes - (CTP's)

Email entries to info@kaikouragolf.co.nz
 Please include name and partner, incl golf member ID

For any further enquiries phone 03 319 5628

BUY 2 SOUVLAKIES GET 3RD FREE EVERY TUESDAY

PHONE 033195637

TAHOI FOODS KAIKOURA

KAIKOURA COMMUNITY INVITES YOU TO

CANCER AWARENESS BIKE OR WALK

On SUNDAY 25TH MAY @9.30AM

We all know someone affected by this disease, so please JOIN IN. Choose your challenge: 40km or 23km BIKE OR 10km or 6km WALK

\$5.00 per person, all paces welcome, wear something pink & meet at St Josephs School Carpark by 9.15 for a 9.30AM departure!

UPDATE INFO BELOW

NEW CATEGORY KIDS 10KM BIKE WITH SHADOW ADULT
 Meet at South Bay Intersection by Picnic Tables
 FOR A 10AM DEPARTURE \$10 A FAMILY

All proceeds will be donated to our **LOCAL CANCER SOCIETY**
 Finish @ **BEACH HOUSE CAFE** for great coffee and kail

If you're unable to bike or hike but want to donate & be part of this community fundraiser come along wear something pink & meet us at the BeachHouse Café about 11AM onwards or contact Chris Boyd re making a direct donation 0272210869

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Polar Plunge - Sunday 15 June 2025
Gooches Beach 12:00pm - Registration
 12:30pm - Start
 \$10.00 per person Up to 10 minutes in the water only



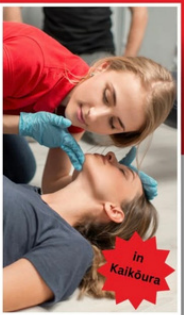
POLAR PLUNGE
KAIKOURA AQUATIC CENTRE
 100 Kaikoura

FIRST AID TRAINING
 Monday 16th June 9am-5pm | Tuesday 17th June 9am-1pm
1.5 day full NZ First Aid Certificate
1 day Foundation
1 day Revalidation

CONTACT US
 Renee Wood
kaikoura@reopmariborough.co.nz

TE HĀ MĀTAURANGA
 Learning in Kaikoura

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In Kaikoura

the recycled TRASH FASHION Show 2025
Friday 13th & Saturday 14th June
 Entry forms available August 2024 at the Library & Innovative Waste
 Tickets available from Middlehurst Station Store & Mayfair Theatre.
 Monday 19th May 2025

Pre Show Party Cocktails and Canapes on the Saturday night, it gives people preferential seating and a chance to meet the judges face to face.

Supreme prize \$2,500,
 1st runner up \$1,500,
 and 2nd runner up \$1,000
 Each of the 8 categories have \$350 for prizes

2025 Categories

1. Kids Art: Book character - to be named Waipapa Lime	2. Teens: 2050... I dream of... Kaikoura Op Shop
3. Novice: Magic of the night (Night Sky) Puhi Peaks Station	4. Colour: Paint the town RED DeVine Real Estate
5. Evening: Putting on the Ritz Kaikoura ITM	6. Top Half: Heading in the right direction Skool Loop
7. Adventure: On the farm, natural fibres Hunting & Fishing and Farmlands	8. Open: Comedic Couture "Good for a laugh!" Donegal House

Supreme Awards: Innovative Waste Kaikoura

For further more detailed information go to www.trashfashionkaikoura.co.nz

Presented by
 The Lions Club of Seaward Kaikoura Inc in association with Innovative Waste Kaikoura




Tickets on sale Monday

The Lions Club of Seaward Kaikoura Present
Pre Show COCKTAILS & CANAPÉS



Mojito • Pina Colada • Cosmopolitan • Grazing Platter • Canapés
 \$25pp 5.30-7pm
 before Trash Fashion - Memorial Hall
 Book now 0274382678

Kaikoura Holistic Healing

Root Cause Therapy
 Your healing journey starts here

Our Service:

- Adult Therapy
- Intergenerational Trauma
- Childhood Trauma
- Addiction | Anxiety | Depression

Book Now

Mention this Ad to get \$25 OFF your initial appointment

Website
www.kaikouraholistichealing.co.nz
 022 637 6317



St Paul's Kaikoura presents:
Kidz Klub
Free 3-4:30 Wednesdays **Make Friends!**
 Anglican Hall, 29 Torquay St.

Free After-school programme

Our Service:

- Active games
- Arts and Crafts
- Life lessons / Character building
- Afternoon tea

FACEBOOK.COM/GROUPS/KIDZKLUB



St Paul's Presbyterian Church Kaikoura