

KAPANUI SCHOOL

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Kia Ora Parents, Children and Whānau,

New Students



A very warm kia ora welcome to **Ollie** who started school this week. It is awesome to have you join us at school!

From the BOT-Kapanui to Kapakapanui

Kia ora, for some time, people in our school community have been discussing changing our school name from **KAPANUI SCHOOL** to **KAPAKAPANUI SCHOOL**. As you will be aware, Kapakapanui is the name of the highest mountain in our area and overlooks Waikanae. It is clearly visible as you drive up Te Moana Road towards the hills and from many other viewpoints around Waikanae and the Kapiti Coast.

The name change has been discussed by the Board of Trustees and staff, who support the change. We have consulted with the trustees from our local marae, Whakarongotai Marae, and they have given their official support. **Former Principals Des**

Hedley and Maureen Creasy have also given us their support and encouragement.

You may be interested in some background:

- The name Kapakapanui came from a waka (canoe) which travelled to Kapiti in the 1800s. Along with other waka, these names were used to symbolise mana whenua or land occupation. **It appears that the name Kapakapanui was literally shortened to make it 'easier to say' in English.**
- Some of you will have walked the Kapakapanui Track to the summit of Kapakapanui and stayed in Kapakapanui hut, which has some of the best viewpoints of the Tararua Ranges. Kapakapanui House is a well-known rest and care home located by Wi Parata Reserve on the corner of Rimu and Kapanui Road.
- Our children use Kapakapanui in our school waiata, haka and pepeha and have done so for many years.
- Our school logo depicts the mountain Kapakapanui along with "Rise and Shine". The rising sun is included in the design to symbolise the beginning of a journey, a learning journey for students. It is used to denote warmth and enlightenment as our students discover new knowledge about themselves and their world. The sun also shines brightly to draw a comparison with our students, who we hope will shine in their achievements and endeavours while at Kapanui School.
- Kapanui has no meaning in te reo Maori at all - it just uses the name of a local street (which does not border our school).



Kapanui School was opened in 1977. We believe it is time to give our school a name that has major significance to both local history and our mountain, and not an abbreviated name with no meaning. **Changing the name to Kapakapanui School would restore the correct use of the word and give it back its mana.** We would not be forgetting the past, instead this would form another chapter in the evolution of our school.

We acknowledge that there will be a period of time where people refer to the school by either name, and we have school clothing that says Kapanui and Kapakapanui. We would not immediately change Kapanui where it is written or displayed outside the School - this could happen over time as signs need to be replaced etc. We will not change our school logo.

The Board of Trustees and staff are interested in your thoughts-[please click here to access a google form](#) to provide us with your views. We look forward to your feedback.

Ngā mihi-Kapanui School BOT

Classes for 2020

The teachers are busy assigning children to classes for 2020 and this job will be complete in a few weeks. We aim for balance in classrooms around gender, friends, ages, as well as ensuring the academic and social needs of children are considered. The syndicates will be structured the following way for 2020.

- Nga Kakano Years 1 & 2 = 6 classes
- Nga Kaitoro Years 3 & 4 = 6 classes
- Inquirers Years 5 & 6 = 5 classes
- Rangatahi Years 7 & 8 - 6 classes including 1 class of Year 6 & 7.

To further help us with this process, please inform us if your child **is not returning** to Kapanui School next year. Thank you

Ex Kapanui Students Successes-Ka pai!

Paraparaumu College held their senior prize giving and announced the leaders for 2020. We have been informed that a number of past Kapanui students collected major awards – great news.

Congratulations:

Cassie Tauro Head Girl

Annie Jencova Deputy Head Girl

Logan Lockyer Arts Captain

Kapahaka @ Aotea College



We had a great time last week and our kids performed really well. **Matua Rangi** brought together the 4 schools he tutors and each performed to an enthusiastic and supportive audience. Thank you to Rangi for organising this for us all, and for being the guitar maestro who played for 26 straight waiata! Thank you also to our Maori lead team teachers, **Whaea Sophie, Miss Higgins and Mrs Brown for your leadership** and for putting a lot of mahi into preparing for Parihaka day tomorrow. Ka pai guys!

Parihaka Day at Whakarongotai Marae

We are all looking forward to commemorating Parihaka tomorrow. If you would like to read a little more about Parihaka [click here](#) to access an informative website.

Basketball Results

Girls had 2 wins

Boys A lost

Boys B won

This week's games. Girls: 4:15pm

Boys B: 4:15pm. Boys A: 5:45pm

Please be there 15 minutes prior to your game.

Home and School

Juicies will be available to purchase from Wednesday 13th November (next week), \$1 each. Children can collect their Juicie from the Juicie stall outside Rooms 20-23 after lunch eating time (12.55pm).

Children will be having their Juicie in this area before heading away to play.

Back Carpark, Belvedere Ave

Just a reminder that the back carpark is reserved for staff. The empty spaces you see at 3pm are reserved for families of special needs students, thank you.

Lost Property

There is a huge amount of unclaimed clothing. Please come and have a look through. Any unclaimed items will be taken on Friday and given to charity.

Mindfulness Parent Meeting-11 November 7:00-8:00pm

This is coming up next week, are you coming? The session is 60 minutes and is FREE. For planning purposes can you please complete [this google form if you intend to come along](#).

Bring Your Own Device (BYOD)

BYOD is **Bring Your Own Device**. This is available at Kapanui School for children in Year 5 and above. **We recommend Chromebooks or laptops** as a keyboard is essential for ease of use. Currently Noel Leeming and Harvey Norman are selling HP and Lenovo chrome books for **under \$350**. They are light, functional, and quick to start up and operate, have a keyboard and are perfect for school use. Our local colleges also use chrome books so devices purchased at primary school can be taken on to college. If you would like to read more about [BYOD at Kapanui School please click here](#) or go to our website and click on the BYOD tab on the home screen.

BYOD is not compulsory, however there are benefits for children's learning at school and home if they are able to bring their own device to school each day. We do have class sets of chrome books, however the costs of upgrading these is a substantial cost to the school. Chromebooks will easily last for 4 to 5 years if looked after by the children.

Reducing Waste and Rubbish at Kapanui

We are making an effort to keep our school tidier and to reduce the amount of soft plastic and rubbish at school. Please make an effort to remove plastic wrapping and consider ways to stop plastic coming into school. We are still asking children to take their rubbish home with them. A few tips are

- Use a lunchbox with compartments so food can be neatly stored in a fairly airtight fashion.
- Use reusable plastic containers for nuts, raisins, chippies instead of bringing the soft plastic packets to school.
- Bring to school REAL fruit instead of fake fruit sucky things!
- Ditch the glad wrap, pottles and as many unnecessary plastics as possible.

All of these are simple and easy things to do and will keep our school cleaner and will ultimately save the planet! Please consider **not** sending packaged food items to school.

Last thoughts.....

- Congratulations to South Africa, deserved winners of RWC. Wonderful to see the unity in the team, the dignity and humbleness as winners, and how sport has the ability to bring happiness to a nation.....not the nation of England however!
- Did you get along to the Kapiti Arts Trail? It is on this weekend as well if you missed it.

Community News

Hand-on Arty/Science for Kids at the Kapiti Arts Trail with Sarah the Scientist. Sarah the Scientist will be at Big Mac Slabs Creative Centre on Mazengarb Road, Paraparaumu this Saturday and Sunday from 10.00 am to 5.00 pm. She is offering 3 hands on experiments to do: Disappearing Drawing, The Flower experiment and Shrinking Art! Get creative and leave with a necklace or key chain of your shrunken art and more science to try at home. There will also be Sarah science kits to buy AND you can look round and be inspired by at all the amazing local art at the Big Mac Slabs Creative Centre.



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Term 4 Swimming Lessons

11 November - 13 December 2019
Monday to Thursday 3:15pm - 4:45pm

Lesson Fees		Additional Children
One Lesson Per Week: (5 Lessons)	\$50	\$40
Two Lessons Per Week: (10 Lessons)	\$90	\$80

Lessons Start 11 November 2019

Lesson duration is 30 minutes with a qualified instructor
Lesson times/days are subject to change depending on demand
Private lessons also available

Te Horo Country Garden Tour 2019

Raising funds for Te Horo Hall earthquake strengthening

16 & 17 NOVEMBER

**Te Horo
Country Garden
Tour
2019**

 More details on Facebook

**TICKET VALID FOR 1 DAY ONLY...
13 FABULOUS GARDENS TO SEE**

Tickets \$20
Available from Early October at:

Saturday 16 & Sunday 17th November 9 – 5 pm (last entry @ 4). One day entry is only \$20 and tickets are available now from the Te Horo Garden Centre, Watson's Garden Centre and First National Real Estate in Otaki, Harrisons Gardenworld in Peka Peka and Palmers Plimmerton. You can also order tickets via the facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/TeHoroGardenTour>

Kapiti Women's Triathlon Pre-Xmas Training Tag a friend who you think would love to come along. More information is available on the website <https://www.kwt.org.nz/training> LACE UP YOUR SHOES!!! Come join this friendly, constructive running session with experienced women from the Kapiti Running and Tri Club 6pm this Thursday 7th November at the Waterfront Bar carpark. <https://www.kwt.org.nz/training>