

KAPANUI SCHOOL

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Kia Ora Parents, Children and Whānau,



New Students

A very warm kia ora welcome to **Krishna** who started school today. It is awesome to have you join our school!

Play Morning

We had an awesome whole school play morning last week. Children were free to go to any class, mix in with lots of different kids and experience different types of play. It was a lot of fun and certainly showed the wonderful creative, caring and supportive Kapanui culture. Pics below



Years 1-4 Disco

Well done to **DJ Taytay** who put on an amazing disco last Friday. Everyone had a great time and boogied the lunchtime away to Taylor's awesome playlist of songs! Thank you to everyone on the **Home and School** who came along to help sell glow sticks.

EPro8

Good luck to our Year 5 & 6 and 7 & 8 teams who are competing at the EPro8 competition today. This is an engineering, building, problem solving, design and creating team competition which runs for 3 hours. Teams work together to solve technology challenges as the clock counts down ...[For more info click here](#)

Student Led Conferences (Years 3-8) Wednesday 11 December

We are holding SLCs on **Wednesday 11 December**, place this date in your diary. This will be to complete our reporting and assessing for the year, and be an opportunity for parents to come into class, catch up on your child's learning and view their progress and achievement for the second half of the year. As it was in June the conferences will begin at 2pm and go through until 8pm. Each conference is 30 minutes long and there may be other groups in the classroom. Your child will present their portfolio of learning which will include their end of year report. The teachers will spend time with each family and we are hoping for another successful and positive evening.

For printed newsletters, they need to go to www.schoolinterviews.co.nz and enter the event code nerrd.

For emails and websites, include this link: <https://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz/code?code=nerrd>

From the BOT-Kapanui to Kapakapanui

We have now had over 320 responses to this survey. We will close the survey on Friday afternoon so please complete the form below to have your say. Feedback is still tracking at a clear majority in favour of a change to Kapakapanui. Last week we mentioned that cost was being identified as a negative. Please be assured that this is not a factor as change will be a gradual process. We have spoken to our IT providers who have confirmed that changing email addresses etc. is not a large or expensive job. To repeat ...**costs are NOT an issue in this process**, please pass this on to others if you hear it being discussed. We will keep you posted, [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

Open Classrooms

Thank to everyone who came along yesterday. We hope that you found the tour useful and informative. A big shout out to our awesome SENIOR STUDENTS who were wonderful tour guides. We may repeat this at the beginning of next year.

School Hoodies

These are selling well. The last day for orders for this year will be **28 NOVEMBER**. Go to Kindo to place your order.

School Lunches

ezlunch orders via kindo will stop on **6 DECEMBER** and resume next year.

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, 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 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.
- Bring only water to school please. Milk will still be provided at school.

All of these are simple and easy things to do and will keep our school cleaner and will ultimately save the planet!



Last thoughts.....

- OK rain, time to head back to the hill, we want the sun to come out and play!
- Black Caps v England, the test season is underway-woo hoo!

Basketball

Results from last week:

Kapanui Girls won

Kapanui Boys A won.

Kapanui Boys B won.

This week's games

Friday:

Kapanui Boys B 4:45pm

Kapanui Boys A 5:45pm

Girls yet to be notified.

Te Horo Band Jam

Thursday 21st November

Te Horo School 9-12:30

Both our **school bands** and our **ukulele** group will be performing.

We will need help with transport please.

Scholastic Bookclub

The last issue of the year for Scholastic Bookclub should have come home last week. Lots of great gift ideas for Christmas! Please order online by Mon 25th Nov. If you would like your order to be set aside and not delivered to your child's classroom, please email the library at libadmin@kapanui.school.nz and you will be contacted by email when it arrives. Thanks



Lost

Girl's pink Casio watch, left at Waikanae Gym on Wednesday 13th November. If you have found this please could you return it to Mia in room 6/7 or hand it in to the school office. Thanks.

School sunhats

These are compulsory term 4 and term 1 and available to purchase via KINDO or the school office.

Contact Details

Please ensure that you inform the office if your contact details change.

Road Safety

Please be vigilant when driving and parking outside our school, our kids are precious!

Community News



Student Exchange Australia New Zealand Ltd

January, May, July & August next year we will be welcoming a new group of exchange students from all over the world. These students are really excited to live with a Kiwi host family, attend a local school for 3, 5 or 10 months and live like a local. As we plan for their arrival, we are keen to hear from suitable families who might be interested to host a student and have a truly rewarding experience for the whole family. www.studentexchange.org.nz

Christmas Market

Waikanae Memorial Hall 15 December 9.30 – 2pm.

Carols on the Coast

Saturday 14 December, Kapiti Primary 4.30 – 7.00pm

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