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Reminders & Updates Flyer
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Week 3 Term One 2017

Celebrating Learning & Achievement

It may be raining outside but the learning at Karaka School is just as exciting and engaging as ever! As I move around the school I am hearing students confidently talking about what they are learning, why it is important to learn and how they will achieve in their learning. Our students understand their classroom is a learning environment and they are the learner! We encourage you to talk to your child about their learning, some questions you may ask.....

What were you learning about in (writing, math, reading) today?

What was your favourite learning at school today?

Did you learn with any of your peers today?

How successful were you with your learning today?

What's one new thing you learned at school today?

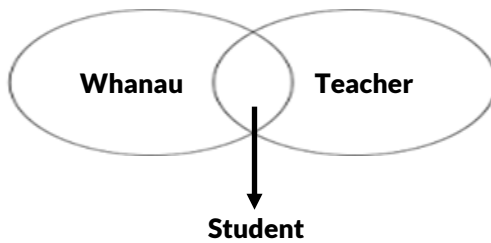
Did you have any challenges with your learning today?

Three Way Conferences

Wednesday 5th April 3-5pm

Thursday 6th April 1-6.30pm (school finishes at 12.20pm)

Three Way Conferences are an exciting time for our learners, they get to share their progress, achievements and goals in a safe, supportive environment. It is a time for your child to be centre of attention in discussing their learning. As the diagram below shows the student is the one thing we as teachers and whanau have in common.



Karaka School is dedicated to developing and maintaining successful home-school partnerships and we are aiming for 100% attendance at these upcoming Three Way Conferences. Let's work together to ensure your child has the best possible chance to achieve to their full potential!

Our online booking system will be open on **22nd March**.

Life Focus/Bible in Schools

Recently you will have received a form which gave you the opportunity for your child to opt into the Bible for Schools programme. This programme will begin next Thursday, **16th March**. Students not participating will remain with class teachers and will be involved in Values/Virtues learning.

Carla Cook
Deputy Principal

Reading Mileage Programme—Help Needed

Last year we started the Reading Mileage Programme which was aimed at our Junior school learners. Three days a week whanau from our community came to school and listened to the students read. In doing so, the children gained confidence in reading aloud and their fluency improved greatly. This programme was so successful that we are keen to get it going again.

Are you able to help? You can help one day or more, whatever works for you!

Please watch out for the flyer coming home with regards to this programme.



Board News

BOT News - Reminder

Just a reminder to all that the BOT will be meeting on **Monday 13th March at 6.30pm** in the meeting room next to the hall. The purpose of this meeting is for the board to have a discussion and make a decision as to the number of parent representatives on the board. All parents of students enrolled at Karaka School are welcome to attend this meeting.

Please also be aware that submissions on this matter must be received no later than **4pm on Thursday 9th March 2017** via email to the board secretary at nickys@karaka.school.nz

For those of you wishing to attend the meeting earlier at 6pm in relation to the IET (Internal Evaluation Tool) Survey please let the office know that you will be attending.

Should you have any queries or questions in relation to this matter, please feel free to email adelel@karaka.school.nz or principal@karaka.school.nz

Adele Loveridge
Chairperson
Karaka School

Middle Team Swimming Demonstration

On Friday 10th March you are invited to come to the school pool to watch your child show you what they have been working on and achieving during class swimming lessons this season. Please check with your child what class and swimming group they are in so you come to the pool at the correct time.

- 10.30am—Sharks (from Pateke Room)
- 10.45am—Dolphins (from Pateke Room)
- 11.00am—Mako Sharks (from Kotare & Pukeko Rooms)
- 11.15am—Great White Sharks (from Kotare & Pukeko Rooms)
- 11.30am—Whales (from Kotare & Pukeko Rooms)
- 11.45am—Dolphins (from Kotare & Pukeko Rooms)

All parents, grandparents and friends are welcome.

Truck Visit

Thank you very much to Mr Downey for bringing in the huge Kenworth truck known as “The Duke” to our top flat on Monday morning. It was a great experience for the junior and middle team children to be able to climb up into the cab and explore the interior. It provided an excellent “hands on” oral language and writing experience for us. We appreciate the effort Mr Downey.



Swapped Clothes

A couple of weeks ago a girl in Pukeko room went home with the wrong school shirt and culottes after swimming. If anyone has seen a set of clothing labelled with Olivia S please return to Mrs West. I have an unnamed pair of size 8 culottes waiting to be claimed.

ECCS Swimming Sports

A big congratulations to the 38 students that represented Karaka School at the E.C.C.S. Swimming Sports Day at Massey Park Pools on Wednesday 1st March. There was some tough competition swimming against lots of strong club swimmers and our students swam competitively in all their races.

Well done to the following students who placed on the day:

A Grade

Jaime S 2nd 50m Backstroke - Year 8 Girls

Zane W 3rd 50m Backstroke - Year 7 Boys

Jaime S 3rd 50m Breaststroke - Year 8 Girls

B Grade

Mikayla K 1st 50m Backstroke - Year 6 Girls

Liliana L-C 3rd 50m Backstroke - Year 6 Girls

William R 1st 50m Backstroke - Year 7 Boys

Monty S 1st 50m Backstroke - Year 8 Boys

Leah T 3rd 50m Backstroke - Year 8 Girls

James M 2nd 50m Freestyle - Year 6 Boys

Mikayla K 1st 50m Freestyle - Year 6 Girls

Karlos G 1st 50m Freestyle - Year 8 Boys

Shane PR 3rd 50m Freestyle - Year 8 Boys

Bridget N 1st 50m Freestyle - Year 8 Girls

Grace O 3rd 50m Freestyle - Year 8 Girls

A big thanks to Miss Yeardeley and the parent helpers who supervised all the students on the bank and ensured that they didn't miss their race. It was also great to see so many parents turn up to see their children race.

Well done to Zane W and Jaime S who have qualified to represent E.C.C.S. at the Counties Swimming Day on Friday 17th of March at the Jubilee Pools in Pukekohe.



PTA AGM tonight at 7.30pm—All welcome.

Samosas - Delivery Thursday 16th March 2.30pm in the Hall.

The Karaka School PTA now has its own email address if anyone would like to contact the PTA with any general queries about fundraising. We will direct the query to the person in charge to assist you - karaka.pta@gmail.com

Uniform Shop

The uniform shop has some House shirts in stock for the last day of term house event. These shirts are not compulsory but if we run out we will need to order more before 31 March for House Day. If you are interested in purchasing a house shirt, please come to the uniform shop Monday 8.15-9.00am.

Reminder Dates

08 March	PTA AGM 7.30pm
10 March	Assembly 1.50pm
13 March	BOT meeting 6.30pm
16 March	Delivery of Samosas
16 March	Life Focus/Bible in Schools starts
31 March	Photolife photos

Community Notices



Join us on Wednesday **15th March** at Te Puru Park for the **Beachlands Kids Obstacle Duathlon**—Run, Bike, Obstacle course run. Year 4-8 students represent your school as an individual or in a 2-person team.

Enter online www.bsgevents.co.nz

Entries close Wednesday 8th March

SPCA Campaign

The SPCA are offering free spraying, neutering and microchipping for cats in twelve Auckland suburbs from 13th–24th March 2017. Bookings open Monday 27th February.

Phone 09 256 7310

New Futsal Leagues



*** WHERE: Counties Tennis Centre, West St, Pukekohe**

*** WHEN: Sunday 2pm - 3pm weekly**

*** STARTS: March 12th**

*** WHO: 10 - 13 year olds
9 and under**

**To register and for more info, please contact Marvin Eakins
021 933953 or marvin@aucklandfootball.org.nz**



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