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Reminders & Updates Flyer
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Week 8 Term One 2017

Celebrating Learning & Achievement

It was wonderful to meet today the newest members to our learning community at a special morning tea "Welcome to Karaka School" session. Thank you to those who were able to attend. Welcome to our place of learning! For those who were unable to make today, please do pop in and introduce yourself - we look forward to meeting you.

Beachlands Obstacle Course

Congratulations to those students who took part in the recent Beachlands Obstacle Course. Results that have been received are:

Charlie B	3rd individual Year 5 boys
Gemma M	3rd individual Year 5 girls
Lexi-May J	3rd individual Year 4 girls
James M and Tom KH	3rd team Year 6 boys



Board News

Multipurpose Build

Firstly, our apologies for not providing you with an update on progress sooner but as I am sure you can appreciate we are working with multiple stakeholders on this project which can mean a few delays here and there.

I am pleased to let you all know that the contract has been signed, KHH (Keith Hay Homes) is the contractor that will be undertaking the build and the colours have been selected. Once we are in receipt of a colour render we will put it out in the newsletter so that you can all see what the new building will look like.

Currently, consents are underway and getting ready to be lodged with council. The building is being built offsite and we envisage it will be delivered (at this stage) onsite during the term 3 & 4 holidays. The intermediate students will move into the innovative learning space and the multipurpose room will be available for use by the entire school for learning in food technology, science etc.

Community Working Bee

On Sunday 2nd April, 2017 from 9-12 noon we will be requiring as many people as possible to help assist in a working bee at the school. Our Senior playground is in need of the bark being aerated and refilled and there is a need for some gardening too. If you can bring a rake/spade/gardening gloves and help out on the day it would be very much appreciated. A Health and Safety briefing will be held at 9am in the hall and coffee and cake will be provided. As they say many hands make light work so we look forward to seeing as many of you there as possible!

Three Way and Student Led Conferences

Wednesday 5th April 3-5pm

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

Bookings are now OPEN

Go to www.schoolinterviews.co.nz

Type in the Event number **jd8yn** and click GO

Follow the simple steps

There are two days to choose from—Wednesday 5th April and Thursday 6th April

Time slots are 15 minutes in duration or senior team 30 minutes in duration

It is recommended if you have more than one child that you do not do back to back bookings so you have time to get from one class to another

If a time is already taken then it will be blocked out

If you do not have access to a computer, please call into the office and we can help you arrange your appointment.

Senior School Student Led Conferences

This year the senior school are **trailing** student led conferences. A **student led conference** is a meeting run by the **student** for his or her parents, entirely focused on the **student's** recent learning. During the **conference** the **student** presents work in different curriculum areas, discussing the process of learning and the progress made to date.

The main differences of student led conferences versus 3 way conferences are:

- Students will be sharing their own learning
- There will be up to 3 families in the room at one time
- Time slots will be 30 minutes long
- The teacher will be roving around to help out to support the student when required.

It is important to prevent interruptions of other students sharing with their parents therefore we request that siblings do not attend. The sole focus of these conferences is your child and their learning. If you have any questions or need to organise an appointment at another time, please contact your child's teacher.



Counties Swimming Sports

Congratulations to Jaime S and Zane W who represented Counties last week and who both made the finals in their events:

Freestyle	50m heat	Zane 4th
Freestyle	100m heat	Zane 4th
Backstroke	50m heat	Jaime 4th
Breaststroke	50m heat	Jaime 3rd

Finals:

Freestyle	100m	Zane 8th
Freestyle	50m	Zane 7th
Backstroke	50m	Jaime 6th
Breaststroke	50m	Jaime 7th

Photolife Class and Individual Photos

Photolife will be coming on **Friday 31st March**. They will be taking both class and individual photos all on the same day. We will be using the online ordering system again.

After photo day, each child will receive a unique “shoot key code” so you can view and order the photos online. The office will also have some ordering envelopes if you are unable to do this online. There is a free delivery period of three weeks to place orders and photos will be sent to the school. If you miss this timeframe then there is a charge and it will be delivered to your home address.

Sibling Photos—You will need to pick up a Sibling Photo booking form from the office BEFORE photo day. Fill it out and return to the office so that your children can be photographed together. You will then receive a special shoot key and be able to view and order online.

Reading Mileage

A big thank you to all the volunteers of Reading Mileage. This programme is now underway and going really well.

PTA News

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

Thank you to all the families who supported the Samosa fundraiser. We appreciate all of your support. We will be doing another samosa fundraiser later in the year as well as the Oxford Pies order. We look forward to your orders.

Remember, you can purchase your House Shirt in the uniform shop every Monday from 8.15am.

Graze Lunches changing to
Thursdays Term 2. Order
and pay online.

Reminder Dates

24 March	Assembly 1.50pm
28 March	Junior trip to Botanic Gardens
29 March	Middle trip to Botanic Gardens
31 March	Photolife photos
5 April	3 way and student led conferences 3.00pm—5.00pm
6 April	3 way and student led conferences 1.00pm—6.30pm
6 April	School closes at 12.20pm due to conferences
7 April	Assembly 1.50pm
12 April	PTA meeting 7.30pm

Community Notices



Supporting success in your school.

If you are a parent, staff member or member of the school community and you draw down a new ASB home loan of \$250,000 or more, ASB will donate to your chosen participating school:

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All Karaka Karate Students Reminders

We are still seeking donations for our Easter hamper prize and hope you are selling out of your Easter Raffle sheets. More copies are available in class.

A grading notice will be coming home next week for all students who have been invited to grade. Grading takes place in class on the 4th April. This is the opportunity to show off all your learning and to start moving up the ranks towards your next belt. Any outstanding term payments for karate need to be paid prior to grading please.

And lastly, don't forget to bring in your T-shirt order forms and money by Tuesday 28th March for ordering that week.

Registrations are now open for Papakura City Soccer Club for all ages from 5 upwards. Looking for kids to join our small whites soccer team, kids teams, youth teams, senior teams and social teams for both boys and girls and men and women. Go to www.papakuracityfc.org.nz for registration details or call in and see us at the Club, Arimu Place, McLennan Park on Thursdays from 6 – 7 pm for registrations. Get into soccer this winter – a great family sport.

Young at Art Holiday Workshops for children aged 5yrs-15yrs are open for bookings in Pukekohe for the upcoming Easter Holidays. You can also now book for the Term 2 after school classes in Pukekohe, Pokeno, and Drury too! For more information and bookings please check out www.youngatart.co.nz or email: anna@youngatart.co.nz

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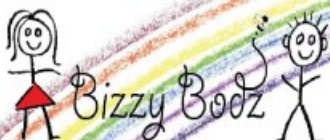
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