

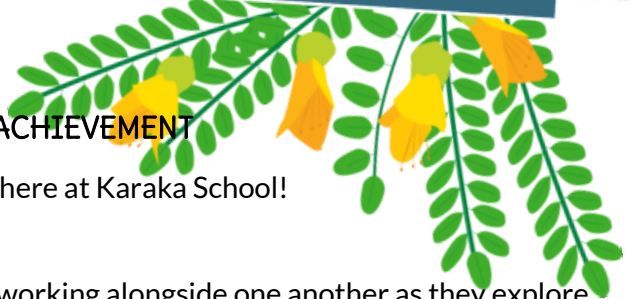


Karaka School

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"Ka whangaia, ka tupu, ka puawai."

Reminders & Updates Flyer
No. 27
30th August 2017



Week 6 Term Three 2017

CELEBRATING LEARNING & ACHIEVEMENT

This week it's all about science here at Karaka School!

Science Rotation

All students in years 0 to 6 are working alongside one another as they explore the wonderful world of science through active participation in a wide variety of experiments. There is much excitement amongst the learners as they rotate around the different activities. Have a chat to your child/ren about what they have learnt along the way!

STEM

Meanwhile, the Intermediate students are enjoying another week long intensive of STEM learning. I understand that they are needing to solve a crime before embarking on an inquiry into climate change - and it's all to do with Matter!

Powhiri

We would like to invite you all to our **Powhiri this Friday at 9.30am** in the school hall to officially welcome all new students (who started Term 2 onwards), their parents and whanau and Mr Jeff Sutton and Miss Kristeen Peters in to the Karaka School whanau. Teachers will organise our new students and we ask that new parents and whanau wishing to be involved in the powhiri meet the staff and students outside the office at 9.20am. Existing parents and whanau are very welcome to join us in the hall.

Nga mihi nui, Sarah Hynds

Principal@karaka.school.nz

Reminder PAPAKURA PRINCIPALS APPRECIATE OUR STAFF

On **Friday 1 September**, the Papakura Principals' Association will hold their first Papakura wide **School Staff Appreciation Day**. We will be encouraging each school to embrace this as a day for both Boards of Trustees and the wider parent community to show their appreciation for the work of our teachers, teacher aides and school staff.

Our **staff** are **dedicated, hardworking** and **committed** to their students learning and wellbeing. They work endless hours of unpaid overtime, spend their personal money on resources and treats for their students and constantly put the needs of their students first. They teach, encourage, mentor, praise, coach, influence, share, guide and inspire on a daily basis.

Parents and students can get behind this day by showing their appreciation of the school staff that they value. One **kind word** can change someone's day and the power of a **thank you** or a **smile** for all that they do will last a long time.

Lucky Book Club—Scholastic

Issue 6 for 2017 will be coming home this week. All orders are due in by Friday 8th September. The easiest way to order is online

mybookclub.scholastic.co.nz

Otherwise please hand in the order form and payment to the office by Friday 8th September.

Stationery Increases

We have had a few increases in stationery costs i.e. 1WB now \$1.50, 1E5 maths now \$1.50, 1A5 and 1A8 now \$1.50, pencils are now .80c. Please check with the office if you are unsure of prices.



Enrolments 2018

We are planning for 2018! If you know of anyone wishing to enrol in 2018 please let them know, whether in zone or out of zone—this includes places in our Intermediate area. We are taking enrolment applications **now**.

Out of zone enrolment applications must be received by **Wednesday 18th October**.



AG DAY



23rd September 2017

Celebrating 85 years of Ag Day

2016 Trophies—Please return all 2016 Ag Day trophies—cleaned and polished please.

Cowpat Bingo— Keep on selling those tickets! \$5.00 each. We have more booklets if you would like to sell extra.

Lucky Dips—The Ag Day committee have asked that each child bring in a \$2.00 item towards the lucky dip stall. House points will be given!

Books, DVDs—Please start bringing in books and DVDs for our book stall. Please drop off in the hall foyer.

Citrus, plants, vegetables, produce—We will be having a produce stall on the day. If you have access to any product that we could sell on the stall please let us know.

Animal and Project Entries—Coming home via separate email is a list of all entries we have received. Please contact the office urgently if your name does not appear on the lists or if there is a casualty or name change or if you have not advised us of your animal's name.

AG DAY



Volunteers for Stalls on Ag Day

The online system for volunteers is **OPEN**

Go to www.schoolinterviews.co.nz

Type in event number **x2g3j**

Follow the simple steps to choose the stall you would like to help on and the times you would prefer. There are three drop down boxes.

Feel free to spend more than one hour helping out, and you can choose more than one stall too. Be aware that if your child/children are bringing an animal then you should choose a later time.

RAFFLE

Please support Agricultural Day by sending to school (*at least one item per family per week please*). These go towards the raffles on Agricultural Day and we greatly appreciate your support.

Please check expiry dates on items before sending them to school

21 August – 25 August	Tins (e.g. fruit, baked beans, spaghetti)
28 August – 1 September	Bottles (e.g. cooking oil, wine, vinegar, mayonnaise, sauces)
4 September – 8 September	Packets (e.g. tea, coffee, paper towels, cereal, pasta)
11 September – 15 September	Garden Items/Pet Supplies (e.g. trowels, gloves, toys, pet food)

Keep on bringing in raffle items—all items are accepted on any week.

AG DAY



AG DAY AUCTION

ITEMS NEEDED !!!!!!

As many of you may or may not be aware the Ag Day Auction is a major fundraiser for the school. Each year it raises between \$10,000–\$15,000 for our kids.

With many long-standing, supportive families moving on to High Schools we need more existing and new families to step up and help find donations to go towards the auction so that it continues to be a success.

We welcome donations of all types big or small. In the past we have had loads of firewood, bikes, sporting memorabilia, appliances, fishing trips and cash (to buy items). All items big or small gratefully accepted.

Please be aware that organising the auction is a mammoth task - it would be really helpful if items could be pledged before the week of Ag Day even if not ready for delivery to school. But we will of course happily take items right up to Ag day!!

Please call Gaylene (021965911) if you have any queries.



**NEXT MEETING
TUESDAY 5TH
SEPTEMBER 7PM IN
THE STAFFROOM**

Mark your calendars—The next PTA meeting will be **Wednesday 13 September at 7pm** in the meeting room. All welcome to come along.

Ag Day Calendar Art

Our budding artists are at it again. On Ag Day, your child's calendar art will be on display. You can make cards, notebooks, diaries and calendars from this art, as well as submitting photos to make personalised items.

Your order form will be coming home soon, please ask your child for it. Please note the due date. These make great Christmas presents, don't miss out!!



Reminder Dates

28th—1st Sept	STEM week seniors
1st September	Powhiri 9.30am
1st September	Middle team sleepover
4th September	BOT meeting 5.00pm
5th September	Ag Day meeting 7.00pm
7th September	Whanau Hui 9.00am
11th-15th Sept	AIMS games tournament
13th September	PTA meeting 7.00pm
19th September	Ag Day meeting 7.00pm
23rd September	Ag Day (school day)
27th September	Netball fun day
27th & 28th Sept	Student Led and 3 way conferences (more details to follow)
16th October	Term 4 starts
23rd October	Labour Day
24th October	Day in Lieu of Ag Day



Community Notices

Pukekohe Raceway Kids Obstacle Duathlon

Tuesday 26th September

Age Groups: Year 3–8

Enter online www.bsgevents.co.nz



Karaka Touch Rugby

Karaka Touch Rugby commences on Friday 6th October @ 5.30pm. Registrations are \$35 per child which includes your team shirt. Registrations can be done online at www.karakarugby.co.nz <http://www.karakarugby.co.nz> or on the following days at the Karaka Sports Park.

Friday 8th September 6.00 -7.00pm

Friday 15th September 6.00 - 7.00pm

Friday 22nd September 6.00 - 7.00pm

The grades are 5-7yrs, 8-10yrs, and 11-13yrs, Mixed & Mens. We have also had interest in a girls/womens section, if you have any queries contact Craig Hill on 021 733 136 or karakarugby@gmail.com or mail karakarugby@gmail.com.

Ag Day Judges Training Day

To be held on Saturday 9th September at the A&P Showgrounds, Pukekohe from 10.00-12.00pm.

Any aspiring judges, children and their calves are welcome to attend.

It is worth going also particularly for any younger children/parents who are entering calves for the first time. There will also be a leading course set up to practise with some valuable input from judges that will be there on leading, rearing and type.



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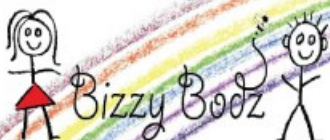
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