



# Karaka School

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"Ka whangaia, ka tupu, ka puawai."

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## Newsletter

## Principal's Note

Week 5, Term 1 2016

*Kia ora and welcome to this fortnight's newsletter.*

### CELEBRATING LEARNING & ACHIEVEMENT



Our sincere thanks to all those who participated in the ERO visit last week. Your contributions were valuable and both reviewers really enjoyed their time in our school and speaking with you all. Although the full evaluation will not be available for some weeks, we can say that the students, staff and leadership team have had a very positive review with lots of what we are doing here affirmed. Congratulations to our students who spoke with such confidence to the review team and to our fantastic Karaka School staff who prepared so thoroughly. We look forward to sharing the evaluation with you in the near future.

### Professional Learning Communities

This term the teaching team is building on their knowledge of writing. Following a successful teacher only day prior to school starting, the team is now delving deeper into the world of writing to ensure that our programmes and assessment methods are robust, evidence based and in line with current best practice models.

### IMPORTANT - School Information Updates

Today you will receive a change of details update sheet for your child. As you will appreciate the school needs to be updated and informed of any contact and address changes to keep our records accurate. We are also requesting that you **please** check your e-mail address is correct. This will ensure that you receive the newsletter when it is e-mailed out. We also require your e-mail in case of an emergency when we may possibly have to evacuate or lock down the school we can e-mail out notification to parents. Updated custody arrangements are also very important and copies of any custody orders need to be on file at the school. Please check your details and have any changes back to the Office by **Friday 4th March**.

Nga mihi nui, Sarah Hynds [Principal@karaka.school.nz](mailto:Principal@karaka.school.nz)

## **William Pike Launch—Thursday 3rd March 6.30-**

**7.30pm**

### **Karaka School Hall**

#### **Speaker: William Pike**

*William Pike is a living legend, popular inspirational speaker, a role model for NZ youth and a leader in the outdoor and education industries. He is a living, breathing example to people of all ages that can overcome adversity and challenges, leading to a more fulfilling life. He is the man behind the "William Pike Challenge Award".*

Karaka School would like to invite both students and parents from Year 3 and up to come and listen to William Pike speak about the "William Pike Challenge Award". This award is tailored towards the Year 7 and 8 students but we would like to provide this opportunity to any other interested parents. We will be taking part in the "William Pike Challenge Award" every second year so your children will have one opportunity in Year 7 and 8 to take part and experience this award.

Over the year the students will complete:

- 8 outdoor activities
- 20 hours of community service
- Personal development of a new sport or hobby.

We look forward to seeing as many of you as possible at the William Pike Launch night. Please see Kim Sutton if you have any questions.

### **School Accounts**

Please note that there is a discount of \$25.00 for school donations that are paid by the end of Term 1.

**Bus fees (if applicable) must be received within the first two weeks of each term.** These are now overdue and your prompt payment would be appreciated. Thanks



## **Middle Team Trip to Maritime Museum**

All money and permission notices for this trip must be returned by **Friday 4th March**.

The trip is on **Thursday 10th March**. ALL children and parent helpers attending this trip must be in the school hall by **8.15am** for roll call and trip briefing. Please do not rely on the school buses having children here by that time - you will need to make arrangements to deliver them to school by car.

For details of what to wear and bring please see the notice on the school website. Separate notices have been sent out this week letting parents know if they are required for the trip or not - please check your child's school bag.

## **Middle Team Swimming Demonstration**

To be held in the school pool on **Tuesday 8th March**. There is no save date for this event, if the weather is unsuitable it will be cancelled completely. Please check which class and swimming group your child is in so you come to the pool at the correct time. Everyone is welcome to come and watch the children show what they have been working on during class swimming lessons.

### **kotare (old library) & pukeko (R8)**

10.45am - Great White Sharks

11.00am - Marco Sharks

11.15am - Whales

11.30am - Dolphins

### **pateke (R7):**

11.45am - Sharks

12 noon - Dolphins

## **Bubble Day**

On Friday **11th March** it will be the final day of swimming for the season. Middle team (kotare, pukeko and pateke) will be having their annual bubble day in the pool at 11.30am to celebrate the end of the swimming season.

**MDF Request** The Junior team are wanting to make small blackboards for the children to use. Does anyone have any off cuts of light weight MDF? We want to make approx. 50 boards that are the size of an A4 piece of paper. Any donations will be gratefully received.

**Please do not park in the bus bay and leave your car unattended. The buses need room to get into the School. This is a drop off and move on area only.**



# Karaka School Swimming Results

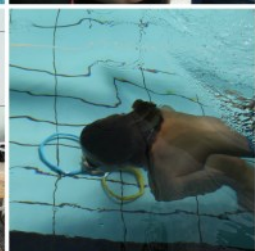
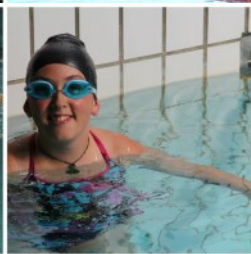
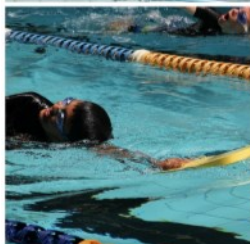
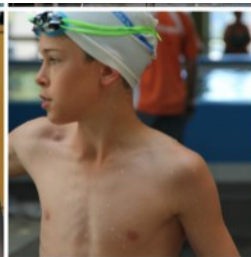
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<b>25m Butterfly</b>			
<b>Open Boys</b>	Jacob K		
<b>Open Girls</b>	Georgia W	Jasmin K	Jaime S
<b>50m Freestyle</b>			
<b>Open Girls</b>	Jaime S	Georgia W	Lauren N
<b>Open Boys</b>	Jacob K	Joshua P	James S
<b>25m Backstroke</b>			
<b>Year 3 &amp; 4 boys</b>	Joshua D	Conor L	Logan F
<b>Year 3 &amp; 4 girls</b>	Gemma M		
<b>Year 5 girls</b>	Tallulah G	Kyra M	Liliana L
<b>Year 5 boys</b>	Jacob A	James C	Cameron M
<b>Year 6 girls</b>	Jasmin K	Avani T	Ashleigh L
<b>Year 6 boys</b>	Zane W	Joseph W	Matias Y
<b>Year 7 girls</b>	Jaime S	Lauren N	Rhianna M
<b>Year 7 boys</b>	Dylan M	Max L	Shane P
<b>Year 8 girls</b>	Georgia W	Serena R	Zoe J
<b>Year 8 boys</b>	Jacob K	Joshua P	James S
<b>25m Freestyle</b>			
<b>Year 3 &amp; 4 boys</b>	Logan F	Joshua D	Conor L
<b>Year 3 &amp; 4 girls</b>	Bailey S	Ffion P	Gemma M
<b>Year 5 girls</b>	Tallulah G	Kyra M	Mikela K
<b>Year 5 boys</b>	Cameron M	Blake McW	James C
<b>Year 6 girls</b>	Jasmine K	Ashleigh L	Avani T
<b>Year 6 boys</b>	Zane W	Joseph W	Matias Y
<b>Year 7 girls</b>	Jaime S	Lauren N	Bridget N
<b>Year 7 boys</b>	Max L	Dylan M	Shane P
<b>Year 8 girls</b>	Georgia W	Kaiya S	Zoe J
<b>Year 8 boys</b>	Jacob K	Joshua P	James S

## 25m Breaststroke

<b>Year 3 &amp; 4 boys</b>	Joshua D	Conor L	
<b>Year 3 &amp; 4 girls</b>	Bailey S	Ffion P	
<b>Year 5 girls</b>	Kyra M	Talluah G	Kassiah M
<b>Year 5 boys</b>	James O	James C	James M
<b>Year 6 girls</b>	Jasmin K	Ashleigh L	Brooke T
<b>Year 6 boys</b>	Matias Y	Joseph W	Zane W
<b>Year 7 girls</b>	Jaime S	Lauren N	Leah T
<b>Year 7 boys</b>	Max L	Dylan M	Shane P
<b>Year 8 girls</b>	Kaiya S	Georgia W	Zoe J
<b>Year 8 boys</b>	Jacob K	James S	Joshua P
<b>Relays</b>			
<b>House Relays</b>	Marsden	Seddon	
<b>Freestyle</b>			
<b>House Relays</b>	Seddon	Hobson	Marsden
<b>Medley</b>			
<b>Class Relay</b>	Mokomoko	Pepeketau	Year 3 & 4









# PTA News

## PTA AGM

The PTA will be having their AGM on Wednesday 9 March, at 7.30pm in the Staffroom. This is a great opportunity for parents of Karaka School to get involved and help create learning opportunities for all children. If meetings are hard to attend, please give us your name and number to be put on the Helpers List.

**All Karaka School families are welcome.**  
**Leadership and learning are indispensable to each other.**

John F. Kennedy

## Much More Ice Blocks March

Every Friday in March the Year 7 and 8 students will be selling ice blocks for \$1.00 to fundraise for their school camp. Junior classes will hand their money to their teacher each Friday morning. Middle and senior children to line up for their purchase.

# Reminder Dates

<b>02 March</b>	ECCS swimming, Massey Park Pool Papakura
<b>03 March</b>	William Pike Launch
<b>08 March</b>	Middle team swimming demo 10.45
<b>09 March</b>	PTA meeting/AGM 7.30pm in the Staffroom
<b>10 March</b>	Middle team trip to Maritime Museum
<b>11 March</b>	Zone swimming, Assembly, Munch More Ice Blocks March
<b>16 March</b>	Orienteering (Senior school)
<b>17 March</b>	Bible/Life Skills start 9.00am
<b>21 March</b>	Franklin School Triathlon
<b>24 March</b>	ICAS entry fees and notice due back
<b>25-29 March</b>	Easter break
<b>08 April</b>	Assembly

## Community Notices

### WAIKATO PA HOCKEY CLUB JUNIOR MUSTER / REGISTRATION

Waikato Pa Hockey Club junior muster will be 13th March 2016 from 1.30pm – 3.30 pm at the Strathallan ACG Hockey Turf. If you don't have a stick no worries, there will be some there on the day to play with. If you are unable to attend on the 13th, or would like more information please call Karen McConnell on 027 283 2585 or email [karen.mcconnell@pmconsulting.co.nz](mailto:karen.mcconnell@pmconsulting.co.nz). We are looking for players for every grade, U6, U9, U11 and U13. Fees to be paid with registration – Cash or Cheque

- ♦ **Pacifica Festival 12-13 March Western Springs Park—Free entry**
- ♦ **FitHer—launch 7th March Karaka Learning Centre main hall. Monday and Wednesday 9.15– 10am. Creche available. Ph Richie 021 07574726 or Anna 021 1149487**
- ♦ **Elvis in the Gardens—Sunday 13th March 11.30am—6.30pm. Auckland Botanic Gardens—Everglade Drive entrance (NOT Hill Rd) Free family day**



## Karaka Learning Centre Fundraising Gala Day

Saturday 12th March 10am—2pm

- \* Car boot sale
- \* Lucky Dip
- \* Sausage Sizzle
- \* Mystery envelopes
- \* Bouncy Castles
- \* Hair braiding
- \* White elephant
- \* Treasure hunt
- \* Train rides
- \* Sponge throwing
- \* Face painting
- \* Raffles
- \* Cake stall
- \* Devonshire tea

Bring along all your family and friends for a fun filled day and help a great cause

If anyone would like to donate goods or time please contact KLC office. If you would like your own stall please contact the office. Any baking can be dropped off to KLC on Friday 11th March

### Counties Manukau Rugby Club School Holiday Programme

Years 5-8 8.30-3.00pm \$38.00 per session

ECOLight Stadium 19th and 26th April

Massey Park Papakura Rugby Club 18th April

Bring boots, mouthguard, lunch and water

To register visit Junior Rugby on

[www.steelers.co.nz](http://www.steelers.co.nz)

### Rainbows End Easter Carnival

March 25th-28th 10am—5pm

Bring the whole family. Unlimited rides all day, plus loads of free entertainment—even a mini zoo!

Join Rai, Bow and friends along with Blingling Bro's, Popsi Cool, 3 Ring Riot, illusionist Andre Vegas, stilt walkers, a unicycling bunny and a mini zoo full of animals.

### Beachlands Kids Triathlon

Tuesday 12th April and Te Puru Park. Year 4-8 students represent your school as an individual or in a 2 person team. Enter online

[www.bsgevents.co.nz](http://www.bsgevents.co.nz)

### 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 \$150,000 or more, ASB will donate to your chosen participating school:

# \$1,000

To take up this offer, your new home loan application must be received, approved and then documented in a facility agreement, along with the completion of a school donation voucher, between the 1 February 2016 and 30 April 2016.

ASB lending criteria, and terms apply. Fees may apply. A minimum of 20% equity is required in the security property. This donation offer is only available when you apply for new home lending through an ASB branch, contact centre or mobile lending manager. Other terms apply. For full details and to download the voucher visit [asb.co.nz/schoolbanking](http://asb.co.nz/schoolbanking).

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