



Karaka School

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"Ka whangaia, ka tupu, ka puawai."

No. 07 13th March 2019

Newsletter

Principal's Note

Week 7, Term 1 2019

Kia ora and welcome to this fortnight's newsletter.

CELEBRATING LEARNING & ACHIEVEMENT

With Mrs Hynds away at the Year 7/8 camp at the moment it is my pleasure to complete the newsletter piece for Week 7.

RECENT HIGHLIGHTS

***PTA Summer Disco**

What an amazing evening we had last Wednesday. The hall had been decorated magnificently and everyone arrived ready to enjoy themselves. It was great to see our learners, parents/caregivers and preschoolers all involved, however my favourite part of the evening was when the adults joined the children on the dance floor for a song. The smiles, the giggles and shared dance moves were priceless! A HUGE thank you to the PTA for organising this event - we are so lucky to have you supporting our school.

***Good News Call of the Week**

Congratulations to Blake M of Mangopare room. Why was Blake nominated?

-Excellence: Blake ensures he has all equipment needed for learning ready before school and completes tasks to the best of his ability. When given feedback by his teacher he works hard to improve his learning.

-Nurture: Blake cares for other learners, in particular our younger students. A quick 'hi' as he goes past to ring the bell is appreciated by our little learners.

- Respect: Blake speaks politely to all staff members, students and visitors to Karaka School. He listens carefully and responds appropriately before moving on.



***Head Student Speeches**

On Friday four boys and three girls from Mangopare room presented their head student speeches to the whole school and some adult visitors. We were all extremely impressed with both the content and the confidence displayed. This week the students are at camp where their leadership skills will be put to the test in a variety of situations.

***Sporting Success**

Counties Swimming event - Congratulations to Cohen H, Cameron M and Nelly J who represented ECCS in the Counties Zone swimming competition last week. It is a great accomplishment to get to this level and these swimmers should be very proud.

2019 Schools MX Challenge held in Tauranga - How exciting that we had two boys represent Karaka School in this event! Congratulations to Logan S who came 3rd overall in the 85cc 8-10 age group and Caleb D who came 12th overall in the 65cc 9-11 age group. We loved hearing all about the event on Monday boys :)

REMINDERS:

****Monday 18th March: Photolife Photos***

****Wednesday 20th March: International Happiness Day - This year's theme is Happier Together. If there is one day in the year to put on a smile.....Wednesday the 20th is it! :)***

****Thursday 21st March: Ice block sales - \$1.00 per ice block.***

****Thursday 21st March: New Parents Meet and Greet morning tea 9.00 - 10.00 - This is an opportunity for all new parents / caregivers to Karaka School to come along and hear important information, to meet some of the staff and to meet other new whanau. We look forward to seeing you in the staffroom on the 21st March. RSVP to the office by Wednesday 20th.***

I'm off to camp now, see you all next week :)

Carla Cook
Deputy Principal

Reminder
Photolife Photos
Monday 18th March



PRINCIPAL AWARDS

Every fortnight we hold a whole school assembly, which parents and whanau are invited to. Prior to the assembly each teacher chooses one student who has displayed our school values. The following students have received a principal's award recently in relation to our LEARN values.

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| <i>Awarded at assembly on the 8th March</i> | | <i>TUI:</i> Cameron B | <i>RURU:</i> Emma R |
| <i>PUKEKO:</i> Sanaa S | <i>PATEKE:</i> Samantha M | <i>MANGOPARE:</i> Jessica G | <i>MOKOMOKO:</i> Aiden M |
| <i>KOKAKO:</i> Glenn C | <i>KOKAKO:</i> Thomas F | <i>KOKAKO:</i> Paige A | <i>KOTARE:</i> Kaitlin B |

Te Ao Maori/The Arts: Amelia B, Riley C

Caught Being Good: Blake M

ASB Banker: Samantha H

**Year 7 and 8
Camp Fundraising
Ice blocks for sale
Every Thursday at lunchtime
\$1.00 each**

Lucky Book Club – Scholastic Orders

Issue 2 for 2019 will be coming home this week. All orders are due in by Friday 22nd March. The easiest way to order is on-line via the Loop orders (mybookclub.scholastic.co.nz). Otherwise please hand in the order form and payment to the office by Friday 22nd March. Thanks.

Police Vetting—Please remember that if you wish to help out in the classroom, go on a trip, help on camp etc that you must be police vetted. Please call into the office to pick up a form to do this and there is also a \$10.00 charge for this service.

IMPORTANT—School Updates

You will have recently received 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 22nd March**.



RELAY FOR LIFE 2019

This year, Miss Peters and Miss Maihi are taking part in the Cancer Society's Relay for Life in Franklin. This is an amazing event that enables us to help those that are affected or have been affected in some way. This is an event very special to both of us and we would appreciate any small donation you can make - or even if you came down to the Franklin racecourse on March 23rd - 24th to cheer us on!

To Donate to Miss Maihi

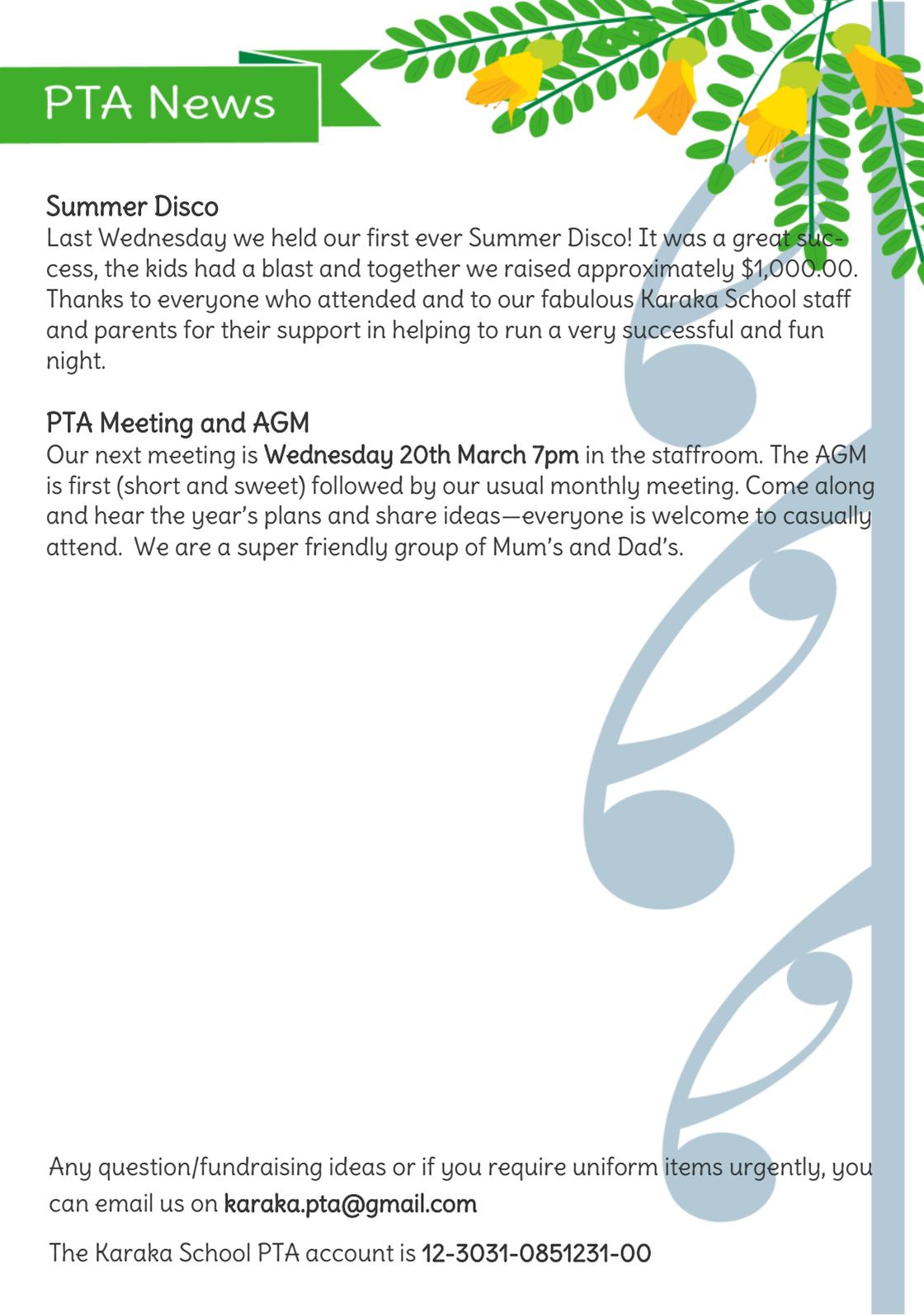


To Donate to Miss Peters





PTA SUMMER DISCO



PTA News

Summer Disco

Last Wednesday we held our first ever Summer Disco! It was a great success, the kids had a blast and together we raised approximately \$1,000.00. Thanks to everyone who attended and to our fabulous Karaka School staff and parents for their support in helping to run a very successful and fun night.

PTA Meeting and AGM

Our next meeting is **Wednesday 20th March 7pm** in the staffroom. The AGM is first (short and sweet) followed by our usual monthly meeting. Come along and hear the year's plans and share ideas—everyone is welcome to casually attend. We are a super friendly group of Mum's and Dad's.

Any question/fundraising ideas or if you require uniform items urgently, you can email us on karaka.pta@gmail.com

The Karaka School PTA account is **12-3031-0851231-00**

Reminder Dates

- 11-15 March** Year 7 and 8 camp to Kokako Lodge
- 14 March** Ice Block sale \$1.00
- 18 March** Photolife photos—Individual, class and groups
- 21 March** New Parents Meet and Greet 9.00-10.00am
- 22 March** Assembly 1.50pm
- 25 March** BOT meeting 5.00pm
- 30 March** Kapa Haka perform at Franklin Multicultural Festival
- 8-12 April** Book Week (more information to follow)
- 11 April** Grandparents Day (more information to follow)

Community Notices



KARAKA JUNIOR RUGBY CLUB

Registrations for the 2019 rugby season are now open. Please register your child by going to our website www.karakarugby.co.nz

Key Dates

Feb 14: U8 – U13 weigh in, 5.00pm onwards at Karaka Sports Park

Feb 21, 28, Mar 7, 14: Preseason training for all grades starts, 5.30pm at Karaka Sports Park

Mar 17: Muster/Skills day, 9.00am at Karaka Sports Park

You can follow us on **Facebook** /karakajuniorrugby and on **Instagram** @karakajuniorrugby



New Zumba Class

Every TUESDAY at 6p.m

Zumba is great for all ages and fitness levels. Bring a towel and some water and come along for some Zumba fun!

\$5 a class (cash only)

Annabel Quinn

Karaka School Hall
Blackbridge Road
Karaka



Kia ora whanau. Many of you may already be aware that there have been a growing number of Measles cases in Canterbury. We have recently had a confirmed case of Measles in one of our local schools.

Measles is a highly infectious viral illness that can be very serious. It is prevented by the measles, mumps and rubella (MMR) vaccination.

Measles is caused by a virus and is easily spread from person to person. Both children and adults can get measles, and it can be very serious. A third of people with measles get ear infections, pneumonia (an infection in the lungs), or diarrhoea (loose, watery poo). Very bad cases of measles need treatment in hospital and some people can die from measles.

Your family/whānau's best protection against measles is to be immunised against it. Protection from measles is part of the free MMR vaccinations given to children at 15 months and four years of age. If you think you or your child may not have had these vaccinations, see your doctor.

If you are concerned about measles call Healthline on 0800 611 116 or contact your doctor or practice nurse.

Junior Football at Drury FC

Starts soon with teams for all ages and abilities.

Check out www.druryfootball.co.nz for details or call Angela on 021 02998230

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