'Ka whangaia, ka tupu, ka puawai."

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Newsletter **Principal's Note**

Week 7, Term 4 2020

Kia ora and welcome to this fortnight's newsletter.

Karaka Schoo

EMBRACING LEARNING, BUILDING RESILIENCE, ACHIEVING

CELEBRATING LEARNING & ACHIEVEMENT

Congratulations to all those who were involved in making the inaugural HPA Cultural Festival a resounding success! A huge amount of time and organisation went into the event and we have received

some amazing feedback as a result. Thank you to our core team of organisers -Mr Glover, Mrs Prangley and Mrs Cook - along with all others who contributed to the logistics on the day including our staff, parent volunteers, spectators in support and of course our incredible learners. Our performers showed that many hours of practice does indeed pay off! Our learners who met the schools and took care of them during the event were outstanding also. The success of the festival is a testament to the power of teamwork! As one school said, "we have set the bar high!"

We are pleased to announce that we have appointed a new Deputy Principal. Starting in Term 1, 2021, John Dyer (currently Associate Principal at Waiau Pa School) is joining our place of learning. John is an experienced teacher and leader who will bring with him his knowledge of teaching and leading in a variety of schools and across multiple year levels. He will be working alongside the leadership team to plan for 2021 in the coming weeks. John is very much looking forward to meeting you all - keep an eye out for him as he will be popping in from time to time over the next few weeks so be sure to introduce yourself!

Reminder:

At our place of learning we ask that should you have any concerns regarding your child or another child, that you approach the school to work alongside you to resolve the concern and do not approach children or their parents directly. Thank you.

Good News Call of the Week

Congratulations to Louise T from Mangopare room. Louise consistently displays our school values of learning (Akoranga) and excellence (Hiranga) within the classroom. She diligently gets on with her work and produces work of a high standard. What an amazing effort at the Adrenalin Forest also. Well done Louise!



Nga mihi nui, Sarah Hynds sarahh@karaka.school.nz





On Friday, bur Karaka School Junior and Senior Kapa Haka groups and our Pasifika group took to the stage in the inaugural Hunua Principals Association Cultural Festival. It was a fantastic day to perform for the first time this year and we couldn't have asked for better weather. We were joined by 8 other local schools and their cultural groups, including kapa haka and even a Highland dance group.

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Judging by the crowd's reaction, our school was one of the favourites! Thank you to the all the staff at Karaka for making this event a success.







By William G and Ffion P





Staff are currently finalising class lists for 2021.

Have you let the office know if your child will not be returning next year?

This information is vital to ensure we get our class placements completed prior to the end of the year. Please contact the office now if you have not already done so.

Lucky Book Club – Scholastic Orders

Issue 8 (last issue for the year) came home last week. All Scholastic orders are due in this Friday, 27th November. The easiest way to order is on-line via the Loop orders (<u>mybookclub.scholastic.co.nz</u>). Otherwise please hand in the order form and correct payment to the office by Friday this week. Thanks

Uniform Shop Opening Hours

The shop will be open on— Thursday 28th January 9.00-12.00 and Tuesday 2nd February 8.15-9.00am.



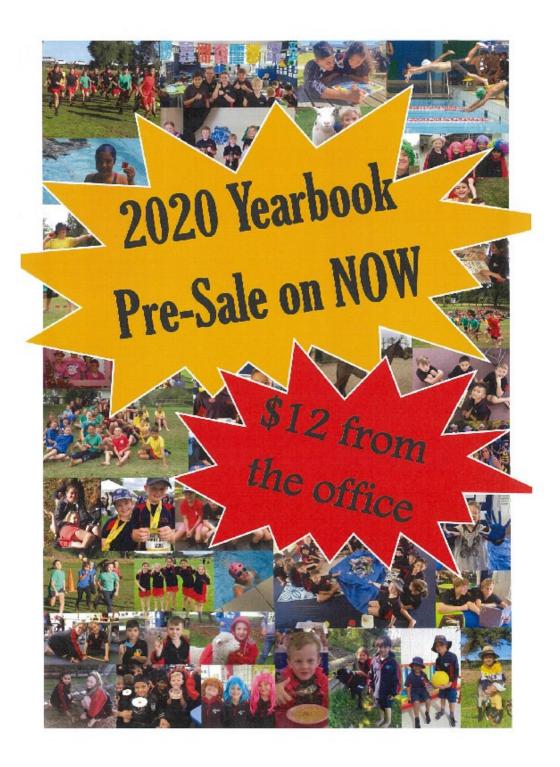
Stationery for 2021

We are once again using the OfficeMax online stationery ordering for 2021.

Stationery lists will be available on the **myschool.co.nz** website next week. OfficeMax information will be coming home this week.

Library and Junior Readers Stocktake

Please return all books as soon as possible so our end of year stocktakes can take place



PTA News

Lunchroom

The lunchroom has run out of Doritos and we won't have them again until 2021, but in their place are crisps... Salt and Vinegar and Ready Salted \$4.00 a bag. These are left over from the Cultural Festival and are at a reduced price. Popcorn is also now \$1.00 as the bags are smaller. Everything else remains the same.

Umbrellas

We are down to our last few. Please purchase from the office—\$20.00 each. First in, first served.



Any questions/fundraising ideas you can email us on **karaka.pta@gmail.com**. The Karaka School PTA account is **12-3031-0851231-00** To order a uniform please download the form from the website and email it to **uniformshop.karaka@gmail.com**

Reminder Dates

2 December	Weet Bix Tryathlon, Year 8 Graduation Dinner
14 December	Prize Giving 6.00pm
15 December	Term 4 ends 12.00
28 January	Uniform Shop open 9.00-12.00
2 Feb 2021	Term 1 starts, Uniform Shop open 8.15-9.00am

Community Notices

ARTZONSHOW.

* DANCE * ACROBATICS * DRAMA * FACE PAINTING * ARCHERY

> Workshop Theme : ANNIE 11 - 15 January 2021

9.00am - 4.00pm ACG Strathallan Hayfield Way, RD1, Papakura 50 ENROL WITH A NEW FRIEND / NEW RELATIVE TO RECEIVE \$50 OFF YOUR FF FULL WEEK'S FEE *maximum of \$50 discount p/worksh

- ★ Proven to build self esteem and confidence
- ★ NZ owned and successfully operated since 2003
- ★ Limited numbers per age group

WHAT PARENTS SAY ABOUT US?

The Workshops are great for allowing children to gain confidence in themselves to perform in front of others. This is not a child minding holiday programme - your children learn valuable lite skills and confidence.



YOUNG AT ART Pre Christmas Art & Craft Holiday workshops for children aged 5 – 16yrs are now open for booking in Pukekohe. We are also taking names for our waiting list for Term 1 after school classes. We have one ADULT workshop RESIN DELIGHTS remaining this term on Saturday 5th December. For more information or to book please check out: <u>http://</u> <u>www.youngatart.co.nz/</u>, email: <u>admin@youngatart.co.nz</u> or phone: 0297 712 923. Bookings are essential as places are limited





Christmas & Summer Holiday Programme

Make your summer stress-free, KAS has care options to suit your family all summer long! Join us for exciting trips & activities including Butterfly Creek, Rocket Ropes, Barn Dance, Creating with Clay & Wheelie Wednesday! Try our new Hungry Games challenge or summer favourites like Nerf & Water Wars, Christmas Carnival, a trip to the beach and of course Rainbow's End!

Check out all our awesome activities on offer, from lots of festive fun to Midsummer Dreams!

KAS will be open at the earlier finish time for our Karaka children on the last day of school for 2020. For our regular clients please advise if you do not need care this day.

We are open at Karaka until 23rd December reopening on the 11th January with care options available at our other local programmes from 5th-8th January.

Open Monday to Friday 7am-6pm. For more information & bookings visit us at: <u>www.kidsafterschool.co.nz</u> Any questions please call our office on 09 236 4078 MSD Social Sector Level 3 Accreditation



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