



# Karaka School

EMBRACING LEARNING. BUILDING RESILIENCE. ACHIEVING EXCELLENCE.

"Ka whangaia, ka tupu, ka puawai."

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Newsletter

## Principal's Note

Week 3, Term 2 2017

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

### CELEBRATING LEARNING & ACHIEVEMENT

#### THANK YOU!

A HUGE thank you goes firstly to our PTA who you will have seen kindly contributed towards the cost of the additional learning opportunities we have planned for our students this term. These experiences will enrich our students learning and we appreciate the support shown by the PTA.

The second HUGE thank you this week goes to Mike Loveridge and his team for coming to our rescue when we unexpectedly experienced some leaks in our ceilings. They soon had the right people and tools on the job and the problems fixed. We appreciate your support too!

#### LOOKING TO THE FUTURE

After 38 years of service to education Mrs West has decided that **at the end of this year** she will step down from her leadership responsibilities and away from fulltime teaching. In doing so, she will have more time to enjoy the other passions in her life and the flexibility to teach part time. Mrs West's commitment to our school and dedication to our students is well known and we know that this decision will be felt by our community so we wanted to give you all plenty of time to adjust to this news. In the meantime, Karaka School will continue to benefit from her expertise and passion for teaching and learning.



## 2018 ENROLMENTS

We are beginning to plan ahead! Do you have a child or know of a child who will be enrolling at our school next year? If so, it would be very much appreciated if you could let us know.

Please email [lynnef@karaka.school.nz](mailto:lynnef@karaka.school.nz) with the details.

Enrolment forms are available off our website [www.karaka.school.nz](http://www.karaka.school.nz) or can be collected from the school office. Visits are welcomed too!

**Nga mihi nui, Sarah Hynds**

**[Principal@karaka.school.nz](mailto:Principal@karaka.school.nz)**

## BOT BY-ELECTION

MONDAY 19TH JUNE

Nomination forms for the upcoming BOT By-Election have been sent out earlier this week.

We are looking for trustees who are focused on supporting professional leadership, teaching and learning and the ongoing improvement of student achievement.

## IS THIS YOU!

Contact Sarah Hynds (Principal)  
or Adele Loveridge (Board Chairperson)  
if you are interested or visit the office  
to pick up A Parents' Guide to the Role  
of the Board of Trustees booklet.

Nomination close  
Monday 5th June at 12noon.



## CAR PARKING

PLEASE take care when using our school car park and our drop off/pick up bay.

**DO NOT** PARK IN THE 'NO PARKING' AREAS WHEN DROPPING OFF OR COLLECTING YOUR CHILD FROM SCHOOL OR ON THE **YELLOW LINES** INSIDE THE CARPARK AND OUTSIDE ON THE ROAD.

This is causing traffic jams and making it dangerous for others.

The most important rule is to use your common sense. Please do not leave your car in the bus bay or drop off area! Cars parked here, should have drivers in them at all times! Our buses do not always arrive at the same time.

Remember this is a "pick up and drop off area" only.

ALSO please remember to use the crossing in the middle of the carpark. DO NOT walk your children across the carpark behind cars as this is a safety issue.

## MEDICINE

Please be aware that all medication administered to a child must be brought to the office in the first instance.

**Medication MUST NOT be taken to the classroom or put in your child's lunchbox.**

A signed request/medical form must be provided before medication will be administered by staff. Please call into the office to sign this form.

**A full copy of the Medication Policy can be found on the School docs website:**

<http://karaka.schooldocs.co.nz>

Enter the username (karaka) and password (school) - Follow the link to the relevant policy.



## BOOK WEEK

### Book Week is 29th May—2nd June

Students are invited to dress up as their favourite book character and all grandparents are invited along to school to share a treasure or a favourite book with their grandchild's class **(Friday 2nd June)**. A special morning tea will follow.

Also in this week we will be having a performance show "What's The Big Idea."



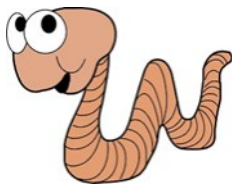
### SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR 29th May—2nd June

The Scholastic Book Fair will be held in the hall before school 8.30am to 9am and after school 2.30pm to 3pm to enable the purchase of books for home or for the school library. We will have a fantastic range of books available and we are all excited to share our classrooms with our special grandparent.

## ENVIRO NEWS

The Enviro Team have been busy working with Mrs Maunders on our garden project—watch the space outside Ruru and Tui rooms for developments.

The Worm Farm Monitors are encouraging classes to provide more food scraps for our poor hungry worms—which class will win the prize?



We are still keeping an eye on lunchboxes—are you taking up the rubbish free lunch box challenge?

## AIMS ACADEMY BEANIE FUNDRAISER

**Karaka Intermediate AIMS Academy are selling beanies as part of the fundraising for the AIMS tournament in Tauranga in September this year. All order forms and payment due back at school tomorrow. The beanies are great to wear in winter and cost only \$15.00!**





# PTA News

## Oxford Pies

Order forms are due this **Friday 19th May by 2.45pm**. No late orders can be accepted. Get your orders in so you don't miss out on these tummy warmers. Delivery date is Monday 29th May in the Hall from 2.30pm onwards.

## Auditor Needed

The PTA is seeking an auditor to audit our year end accounts. If anyone is interested in providing this service or in learning more, please contact the Chairperson, Kelly Rosie on [karaka.pta@gmail.com](mailto:karaka.pta@gmail.com)

## Save the Date:

**Art Expo Wine and Cheese  
evening Tuesday 27th June**

**Karaka School Quiz Night—12th  
August**

## Thank You

A huge thank you to **Mitre 10 Mega Takanini** and the **Goldfinch family**. Our school BBQ rusted out so our fabulous PTA member, Nicky Swan, approached Mitre 10 Mega Takanini with a request of a cheaper BBQ. They sold us a \$600 BBQ for \$180. The Goldfinch family wanted to be part of this amazing deal and donated the \$180 to the PTA. Thanks to these two wonderful groups, we now have a brand new donated BBQ.

Thank you so much Mitre 10 Mega Takanini, Ross Baraclough the owner who is a great supporter of community groups/events and the Goldfinch family!!



# Reminder Dates

<b>24th May</b>	Year 5/6 Netball Tournament
<b>25th May</b>	National Young Leaders Day
<b>25th May</b>	Rhythm Interactive Show
<b>26th May</b>	Assembly 1.45pm
<b>29th May-2nd June</b>	Book Week, Scholastic Book Fair
<b>30th May</b>	"What's the Big Idea" show
<b>30th May</b>	Ag Day meeting 7.00pm
<b>2nd June</b>	Grandparents Day, Dress up as your favourite book character
<b>5th June</b>	BOT By-Election Nominations <b>CLOSE @ 12 NOON</b>
<b>6th—9th June</b>	Year 5 and 6 camp
<b>19th June</b>	BOT By-Election Voting <b>CLOSES @ 12</b>

## Community Notices

### Karate at Karaka

Space is available for any new students wanting to give karate a go! Tuesdays 2.45-4.00pm.  
Contact Laura at [laurafourie@gmail.com](mailto:laurafourie@gmail.com) or text 022 0609364

**Pukekohe Performing Arts** presents  
The Continental Quilt 26th May—3rd June. Tickets available [www.iticket.co.nz](http://www.iticket.co.nz)

**Rising Stars** Performing Arts Youth Theatre—Term 2 classes are underway!  
Email [youththeatreppa@gmail.com](mailto:youththeatreppa@gmail.com)  
2 Harrington Theatre, Pukekohe

**Pform.nz** Developing Skills for Life...for kids [www.pform.nz](http://www.pform.nz)

We teach Dance, Drama and Singing to Kiwi kids. **Bookings for TERM 2 are still open and classes are filling up quick!**

**Special Offer for your School:** Book in for Term 2 and mention this ad to receive your free Pform Sweatshirt! Phone Melissa on 09 476 4045 or email [info@theperformance.net](mailto:info@theperformance.net) to chat about class options.



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