



# Karaka School

EMBRACING LEARNING. BUILDING RESILIENCE. ACHIEVING EXCELLENCE.

"Ka whangaia, ka tupu, ka puawai."

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## Newsletter

### Principal's Note

Week 5, Term 2 2017

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

#### CELEBRATING LEARNING & ACHIEVEMENT

##### Book Week

Scholastic Book Fair, What's the Big Idea Show, Character Parade, Grandparents Morning, Staff reading to different classes.....it's all go here at Karaka School!

Book Week is a great opportunity for us to reinforce the importance of and enjoyment in reading. As I walk around the school it is evident there is a love of reading and books, which is fantastic.

On duty I come across students sitting in a sunny spot engrossed in their book and in classrooms students are enthusiastically talking about their reading material. I encourage you to talk to your students about the activities they've participated in this week and to come along and have a look at the wide range of books available in the Scholastic Book Fair.

A big thank you to Mrs Corlett for organising the week's events, to Mrs Lamb and Mrs Noakes for organising the Book Fair and to all staff for being fully involved (school on Friday will be looking very different).



## Teaching and Learning

Over the past week both Sarah and I have spent time in classes observing the teaching and learning. These observations are part of our staff schoolwide professional learning for 2017. Following these observations we spent time talking to students about their learning and then time talking to each teacher about their teaching practice. This process is extremely valuable in us asking ourselves "What impact is my teaching having on my students?". Teachers have now set themselves goals which they will work on with the students in order to improve the writing achievement level of their students.

## The Arts

A big thank you to Mrs Glover for organising the Rhythm Interactive show which took place last week. This was a drum, singing and dance workshop which was highly engaging, 100% interactive and geared to all student age groups and levels. Our students and teachers have described the show as captivating, entertaining and amazing. This will be a show we remember and look forward to having back at Karaka School in the future.

## Sport

With the winter sports season well underway students are participating in football, rugby and netball. A big thank you to Mrs Sutton for all the time and effort you are putting into organising trials, coaches and events, it is greatly appreciated. Also thank you to Mike Loveridge, Michael Harding, Scott Penney and Jeremy Clark who are assisting Kim with rugby trainings, trials and coaching. We look forward to hearing about the events the students will participate in.

## Leadership

Last Thursday Mrs Sutton took the Head students from each of our leadership groups to the National Young Leaders Day which was held at the Vodafone Events Centre in Manukau. Our students had time to listen to motivational speakers and to reflect on themselves as leaders. Both Mrs Sutton and the students thoroughly enjoyed the day and we look forward to continuing to support the leaders of the future.

**Nga mihi nui**

**Carla Cook**

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## 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.



### 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.

## 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 current virtue. The following students have received a principal's award recently in relation to our virtue of 'RESPONSIBILITY'.

CITIZENSHIP AWARD—Congratulations to Louise T. A deserving recipient.

<i><b>Awarded at assembly on the 26th May</b></i>		<i><b>TUI:</b></i>	<i><b>RURU:</b></i>
		Finn W	Lachlan H
<i><b>WETA:</b></i>	<i><b>KOTARE:</b></i>	<i><b>PUKEKO:</b></i>	<i><b>PATEKE:</b></i>
Mahalia-Rose S	Alice R	Isabella-Rae N	Eden G
<i><b>PEPEKETUA:</b></i>	<i><b>MOKOMOKO:</b></i>	<i><b>MANGOPARE:</b></i>	<i><b>MANGOPARE:</b></i>
Stephanie EV	Jed O	Monty S	Johnny H

## 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!



## AIMS Games Frooze Ball Fundraiser

**When:** Every morning tea for 2 weeks

**Where:** Junior Courtyard

**Cost:** \$2.50 each

**What:** A variety of flavours available

## Board News

### BOT BY-ELECTION MONDAY 19TH JUNE

Nomination forms for the upcoming BOT By-Election have been sent out. Nominations close at **noon on Monday 5th June**.

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

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.

## 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.

## Lateness

A reminder that school starts at **8.45am**. Please ensure students arrive before this time so that they have the opportunity to get organised for the day ahead. The morning routines are very important for ensuring that students are well prepared for their learning and arriving late can be disruptive for them.

School ends at 2.45pm. The office closes at 3.00pm and teachers start their meetings at this time. Please make sure your children are picked up on time so that these meetings can start on time. We are noticing that children are regularly being picked up late, and at times we are having to make calls to find out where parents are.

## Coughs, Colds and Other Infectious Diseases

At this time of year there are all sorts of nasty bugs around. Your child is infectious if they have vomiting or diarrhoea.

**The Ministry of Health website advises "Don't go to school, early childhood centre or work until well and for 48 hours after the last episode of diarrhoea or vomiting."**

<http://www.health.govt.nz/your-health/conditions-and-treatments/diseases-and-illnesses/>



# AG DAY



**23rd September 2017**

**Ag Day Auction**—please start thinking about goods or services you could donate for the auction. 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.

**Animals**— Calves must be born between 1 June and the end of August. All calves must have an ear tag and a TB Certificate. Lambs, goats and chickens do not have any set dates to be born by; however they must be this seasons.

**Information Booklet**—An Ag Day Information Booklet is being prepared at present. This will be sent out next week.

**Lost**—One intermediate uniform jacket. If you have found one can you return it to Sayla in Mangopare room



# PTA News

Save the Date:

Art Expo Wine and Cheese evening Tuesday 27th June

Karaka School Quiz Night—12th August

Thank you to everyone who supported our recent Oxford Pies fundraiser. We hope you enjoy them!!





# Reminder Dates

<b>29th May-2nd June</b>	Book Week, Scholastic Book Fair
<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>5th June</b>	Public Holiday
<b>6th—9th June</b>	Year 5 and 6 camp
<b>12th June</b>	BOT meeting 5.00pm
<b>14th June</b>	PTA meeting 7.00pm
<b>19th June</b>	BOT By-Election Voting <b>CLOSES @ 12 NOON</b>
<b>21st June</b>	Wig-Wednesday
<b>4th July</b>	Ag Day meeting 7.00pm
<b>23rd September</b>	Ag Day

## Community Notices

**JUNIOR GIRLS RUGBY**  
**SMALL FERNS TO ALL FERNS**  
**GIRLS DAY OUT**

 All U6s – U13s girl teams are welcome, if you're not in a team you can come as an individual or bring your mates and be placed in a team on the day.

The day is from 9.30am - 12pm  
Arrival and Registration is at 9.30am.

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**4th EVENT  
TBC**

Please Bring:  
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### ACG Strathallan—Preschool to Year 13

**Open Day—Saturday 24th June  
10.30—2.30pm**

### SPCA

FREE spaying, neutering and microchipping for cats 12th—23rd June.

Anyone who would like to take up the offer must call to book their cats in -

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