

Week 7, Term 3 2017

Kia ora and welcome to this fortnight's newsletter.

CELEBRATING LEARNING & ACHIEVEMENT

Thank you to all those who took the time to show appreciation for our wonderful staff on Friday. Your kind words and gestures were very much appreciated. A BIG thank you to our fabulous Board of Trustees who totally embraced the day and ensured each and everyone of us was made to feel special.

It was wonderful to see so many of you at our Powhiri on Friday morning to welcome new staff and students to our place of learning. A special mention must be made of those students who are now leading the karanga, taking the lead in the speaking roles and leading us in waiata - we are proud of you all!

Best of luck to our AIMs Games teams who will depart for Tauranga for the week long tournament on Sunday. We have 4 students competing in the cross country event, a netball, hockey and indoor bowls team. The students were presented with their kit for the tournament at assembly on Friday and are eagerly anticipating the week ahead after months of boot camp and training sessions. Thank you to all those who have supported the team in so many ways, this tournament is such a fantastic experience for all involved and your support is appreciated.

Much fun was had on Friday night when the middle team enjoyed the traditional 'middle team sleepover'. Thank you to Mrs West, Mrs Corlett and Miss Maihi for their organisation and care of the students and to those parents who were able to assist in the kitchen - it is truly appreciated!

We are having our **Whanau Hui 9.00am tomorrow** in the staffroom. We look forward to seeing you all there.

A reminder that in week 10 you will have the opportunity to celebrate your child's learning alongside them at the 3 way and student led conferences. The booking site will be open next week and details about how to book your conference will be included in next week's newsletter. In response to your feedback, we are sending out some information in advance that we hope will prove helpful by providing greater clarity around the process and content. Keep an eye out for the booklet in your child's bag next week.

#### Nga mihi nui, Sarah Hynds

Principal@karaka.school.nz

#### Reminder

A bell goes at **8.15am** to signal that children can go to their classrooms. Before that time children must **not** be walking around the school, they must remain under the hall verandah.

#### **Enrolments 2018**

We are planning for 2018! If you know of anyone wishing to enrol in 2018 please let them know, whether in zone or out of zone—this includes places in our Intermediate area. We are taking enrolment applications **now.** 

Out of zone enrolment applications must be received by **Wednesday 18th October.** 

#### **Lucky Book Club**— Scholastic

All orders are due in by Friday 8th September. The easiest way to order is on-line:

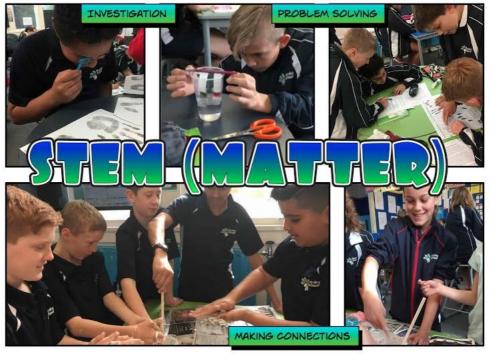
mybookclub.scholastic.co.nz

Otherwise please hand in the order form and payment to the office by **Friday 8th September.** 

#### 2018 Intentions for Intermediate

Please contact the office or email Sarah by the end of this week (if you have not already let us know) if you will be attending Karaka School Intermediate in 2018. This information is very important for ou organisation. Your assistance with this is appreciated.









#### Middle Team Sleepover

This was a truly AMAZING event. We saw all our school values in action with well behaved and considerate children who demonstrated respect and nurture amongst their school friends. It was wonderful to see the levels of independence as children assumed responsibility for organising their own beds and washing and drying their own dishes.

Thank you so very much to the superb parents who collected our groceries, or came and cooked and prepared dinner and breakfast for us, it was all done with such efficiency.

Thank you to Mrs Corlett for organising our "wooden spoon" co-operative puppet shows, they were fun entertainment for us to watch. Thank you to Miss Maihi for organising our shopping list, arranging the parent helpers and for taking such amazing photos.

#### Mrs West (Team Leader)



#### PRINCIPAL AWARDS

The following students have received a principal's award recently in relation to our virtue of 'HONOUR'

Awarded at assembly on the		TUI:	RURU:
1st September 2017		Bella D	Makenzie WM
WETA:	KOTARE:	PUKEKO:	РАТЕКЕ:
Mahalia-Rose S	Cooper W	Connor M	William G
Stevie B			
PEPEKETUA:	мокомоко:	MANGOPARE:	KAPOWAI:
Rhian L	Nelly J	Lauren S Jaidyn B Monty S	Elizabeth C

#### Video & Editing Skills Required

Can you help? We are seeking someone who has skills (amateur or otherwise!) in the area of recording and editing a short video clip for our website. A group of talented students will participate in this project and require the guidance of a passionate person willing to volunteer their time and expertise. The end result will be a feature clip on our website and students will have benefited greatly from the experience. If you are interested, please let me know by Emailing: <a href="mailto:sarahh@karaka.school.nz">sarahh@karaka.school.nz</a>





### 23rd September 2017

#### Celebrating 85 years of Ag Day

#### **RAFFLE**

Please support Agricultural Day be sending to school (at least one item per family per week please). These go towards the raffles on Agricultural Day and we greatly appreciate your support.

Please check expiry dates on items before sending them to school

21 August - 25 August	Tins (e.g. fruit, baked beans, spaghetti)	
28 August – 1 September	Bottles (e.g. cooking oil, vinegar, sauces, mayonnaise,)	
4 September – 8 September	Packets (e.g. tea, coffee, paper towels, cereal, pasta)	
11 September – 15 September	Garden Items/Pet Supplies (e.g. trowels, gloves, toys, pet food)	

#### HOW TO VOLUNTEER FOR STALLS ON AG DAY

The online system for volunteers in now **OPEN** 

Go to www.schoolinterviews.co.nz

Type in event number x2g3j

Follow the simple steps to choose the stall (there are three drop down boxes for stalls) you would like to help on and the times you would prefer.

PLEASE Feel free to spend more than one hour helping out, and you can choose more than one stall too. Be aware that if your child/children are bringing an animal then you should choose a later time.



#### STALL INFORMATION—WE NEED YOUR HELP!

We **NEED PARENTAL SUPPORT** to assist in the running of the many stalls and activities on the day. **We expect EVERY family will be able to help in some way**. Each class has been designated a particular stall but you do not have to volunteer on this stall, it is a guide to where your teacher is. (There are also further stalls which will need volunteers) as follows:

Room Mangopare FLOWERS, VEGETABLES

Room Pepeketua OUTDOOR ACTIVITY - BOUNCY CASTLE

Room Weta PTA STALL - NACHOS/ PULLED PORK BAPS

& SOUP

Room Ruru CAFE

Room Tui PAINTED OBJECTS

Room Pateke CAKES / SWEETS

Room Pukeko DRINKS / ICE BLOCKS

Room Mokomoko BOOKS / LUCKY DIPS

Room Kotare HAIR / NAILS / FACE PAINTING

Room Kapowai RAFFLES

We are asking for **one or two parents to take responsibility for a stall** to ensure that the stall is staffed throughout the day on a roster basis and that the stall is set up ready for business on the morning. **If you are able to take responsibility for a stall please contact Suzanne Corlett Pateke Room or Donna Thompson 027 2772961.** 

ALL Stalls that volunteers can book time slots for on for AG Day are as follows:

BBQ Top Flat Books/Dvds Boucy Castle
Breakfast BBQ Café Hall Café Bottom Flat

Cakes & Lollies Coconut Shy Coffee Upper Flat (Server ONLY)

Coffee Cart Bottom Flat (Server ONLY) Drinks/ Ice Blocks/ Popcorn

Face Painting Hair Hot Chips

Kitchen CLEAN UP PTA Stall Nachos/ Pulled Pork Baps/ Soup

Nail Drive Nails Paintball

Photo Booth Produce Fruit & Vege

Raffles / Lucky Dips Trench

#### **REMEMBER**

#### **LUCKY DIPS**—The AG Dav

committee have asked that each child bring in a \$2.00 item towards the lucky dip stall. House points will be given!

**BOOKS / DVDs**—Please start bringing in books and DVDs for our book stall. Please drop off in the hall fover.

# CITRUS / PLANTS / VEGETABLES / PRODUCE—We

will be having a produce stall on the day. If you have access to any product that we could sell on the stall please let us know.

**PLASTIC BAGS**—Please drop plastic bags off in the hall foyer.

**CUP CAKE COMP**—Refer to your information booklet for details on how to enter.

#### NO DOGS ALLOWED AT AG DAY

Stall Volunteers— If you have an animal volunteer for later in the day. If you don't have an animal volunteer to HELP in the morning.

WE NEED YOUR HELP!

#### **FOOD ON THE DAY**

- Nachos Including Vegetarian Option
- Soup Vegetarian
- Pulled Pork Baps
- Hot Chips
- Bacon & Egg Rolls
- Steak Sandwiches
- Sausage sizzle
- Café and donuts
- Hot dogs

#### **AG DAY AUCTION**

#### **ITEMS NEEDED!!!!!!**

We welcome donations of all types big or small. 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.

Please be aware that organising the auction is a mammoth task - it would be really helpful if items could be pledged before the week of Ag Day even if not ready for delivery to school. But we will of course happily take items right up to Ag day!!

Please call Gaylene (021965911) if you have any queries.

Thanks very much to everyone that has donated items so far. Some items received are

- Towel set
- Lego Nexo Knights
- Money to purchase items
- Harleh Laser Clinic vouchers
- The Good Home vouchers
- Tools

Every family should know someone that they could ask—could even be something hand made. Put your thinking caps on!!!





There will be a number of options for purchasing items and paying for activities on Ag Day this year:

Cash from the office Eftpos from the office

Cashless tickets (available only on the day from the office or raffle stand)

All children's activities e.g. bouncy castle are going to be run using a cashless ticket system this year. All activities will have numbers showing how many tickets are required to participate in that activity.

Tickets will be available to purchase on the day from the office or the raffle stand (no presales). The amount of tickets you purchase is up to you – tickets will cost \$1.00 per ticket. It is important you use all the tickets you have purchased <u>as there will be NO REFUNDS for unused tickets</u>.

#### APPROXIMATE TIMES FOR EVENTS ON THE DAY

**8.30am** Animals to be penned where indicated on the bottom field

Children to collect their animal entry numbers from the cabin

**9.00am** Stalls open

Judging of ponies, calves, lambs, goats and chickens commences

(Juniors, Middle and then Seniors)

**10.00am** Cup Cakes to school hall to be judged by a mystery judge

**11.00am** Judging takes place of Cup Cakes

**11.30am - 12.30pm** Classrooms open for viewing art projects

**11.30am** Quick fire raffles, Cup Cake competition results

**12.00pm** Silent auction closes

**12.30pm** Auction

**1.30pm** Prize giving, raffles drawn, Cowpat Bingo, Draw for Tablet

It is very hard to give an exact time for the judging of each event, so please try to use discretion by following the guidelines above. It is always important to be nearby or listening as sometimes children are called back for different reasons e.g. lead off for animals.

### PTA News

### Ag Day Calendar Art

Our budding artists are at it again. On Ag Day, your child's calendar art will be on display. You can make cards, notebooks, diaries and calendars from this art, as well as submitting photos to make personalised items.

Your order form will be coming home soon, please ask your child for it. Please note the due date. These make great Christmas presents, don't miss out!!

All orders will be due on the last day of term, 29th September.

Mark your calendars— The next PTA meeting will be **Wednesday 13 September at 7pm** in the meeting room. All welcome to come along.

The Fotoman orders are due this Thursday 7th September. Please drop your forms off at the office, following the payment options on the form. Thank you for your order.

# Reminder Dates

7th September Whanau Hui 9.00am
13th September PTA meeting 7.00pm
11th-15th Sept AIMS games tournament
19th September Ag Day meeting 7.00pm
23rd September Ag Day (school day)
Netball fun day

**27th & 28th Sept** Student Led and 3 way conferences (more details to follow)

29th September Term 3 ends16th October Term 4 starts23rd October Labour Day

**24th October** Day in Lieu of Ag Day



# Community Notices

THE FLASH BANG SCIENCE CLUB - SPRING HOLIDAY SCIENCE WORKSHOPS (7yrs -16yrs) are open for bookings now and filling fast! Inspire your curious kids with practical, hands on experiments these holidays with classes available in Pukekohe. Learn about Da Vinci bridges and engineering feats in BUILDING BRIDGES. For more information and bookings please check out <a href="https://www.flashbangscienceclub.co.nz">www.flashbangscienceclub.co.nz</a> or email: <a href="mailto:admin@flashbangscienceclub.co.nz">admin@flashbangscienceclub.co.nz</a>.

#### **Pukekohe Raceway Kids Obstacle Duathlon**

Tuesday 26th September - Age Groups: Year 3—8 - Enter online www.bsgevents.co.nz

Karaka School permission form <a href="http://tinyurl.com/duathlonpermissionform">http://tinyurl.com/duathlonpermissionform</a> Training Programme <a href="https://tinyurl.com/duathlontrainingprogramme">https://tinyurl.com/duathlontrainingprogramme</a>

YOUNG AT ART - SPRING HOLIDAY ART WORKSHOPS (5yrs-16yrs) are open for bookings now and filling fast! We have more fun and exciting projects on offer this holidays with 9 different classes available in Pukekohe. Inspire and encourage your young creative while they have fun learning technique and theory along the way. For more information and bookings please check out <a href="https://www.youngatart.co.nz">www.youngatart.co.nz</a> or email: <a href="mailto:admin@youngatart.co.nz">admin@youngatart.co.nz</a>.

#### Fun with Art in the School Holiday!!!

Where: Glenbrook school hall

Time: 9 am till 3 pm

When: 2-3-4-5-6-9-10-11-12-13 October 2017

Cost: \$35 a day, half day \$17.50 (10% discount for 2 children in one family)

Ring: Wilma Suppers 021-1692561

E-mail: wapa@orcon.net.nz

Bookings essential, programme will go ahead with a minimum of 5 children.

Fruit and drink will be supplied, please bring lunch.



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## Auckland Girls' Choir (AGC)

AGC is auditioning for our 2018 intake. We are looking for 11-15 year-old girls with a passion for singing. Successful applicants will receive professional voice training under our expert tutors and opportunities to perform in Auckland shows and overseas tours.



#### Auditions to be scheduled in October 2017

To apply contact AGC Choir Manager:

Mrs Annie Hyde on agcinfo@akgirlschoir.co.nz or call her on 021 405 717

For more information about us visit: www.akgirlschoir.co.nz and check out our gallery of videos too!

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