



Karaka School

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"Ka whangaia, ka tupu, ka puawai."

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20th September 2017

Newsletter

Principal's Note

Week 9, Term 3 2017

Kia ora and welcome to this fortnight's newsletter.

CELEBRATING LEARNING & ACHIEVEMENT

The sun is shining, the Ag Day projects have been delivered to school and the final Ag Day meeting for 2017 was last night.....it's getting exciting!

A big thank you to the Ag Day Committee for all the time and effort that has been put in to organise Saturday's event. This group led by Tracey W and Donna T have been extremely well organised, positive and very busy. Also a big thank you to those of you that have rostered yourselves onto an activity / stall for Saturday. If you have not yet done so.....it's not too late! Pop into the office and Lynne will help you to sign up. We look forward to having everyone from the community here on Saturday.

As mentioned in last week's newsletter our AIMS teams went to Tauranga to compete. We are extremely proud of the students that attended this event, the feedback regarding their behaviour has been very complementary. Below is an email we received from one of the netball umpires.

"I have just spent a wonderful week umpiring at the AIMS games. I umpired your school on the first day and followed them through the week. What a wonderful pleasant group of kids. Kylie and Megan allowed me to upskill the team with tips I use when I am coaching. The kids took to it with gusto. I would like to pass on my respects to your staff and the kids that represented your school with the highest level of excellence. They did you proud. I look forward to seeing them next year."

Finally, a reminder to book your time slot for next week's Three-Way Conferences / Student-Led Conferences. We (including the students) look forward to having the opportunity to celebrate your child's learning and to share their next learning steps/ goals. See previous newsletters for details on how to book or call into the office.

Carla Cook (Deputy Principal)

Carpark Safety

Please do NOT park on the yellow lines outside the school carpark between the entry and exit points. It is extremely dangerous for people exiting the carpark as they are unable to see oncoming traffic.

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**.

Polling Booth at

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Open 9.00am—7.00pm
in the hall conference
room



PRINCIPAL AWARDS

The following students have received a principal's award recently in relation to our virtue of 'HONOUR'. CITIZENSHIP AWARD—Sydney W

<i>Awarded at assembly on the 15th September 2017</i>		<i>TUI:</i> Saana S	<i>RURU:</i> Emma R
<i>WETA:</i> Harry M	<i>KOTARE:</i> Henna A	<i>PUKEKO:</i> Saaniya S	<i>PATEKE:</i> Caris C
<i>PEPEKETUA:</i> Leah H	<i>MOKOMOKO:</i> Ella C	<i>MANGOPARE:</i> Away at AIMS	<i>KAPOWAI:</i> Kobie S

Music and Maori—Mikayla C (Ruru) and Chris Pater (Mokomoko)



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AIMS GAMES 2017



PRIDE

TEAMWORK



DETERMINATION



RESPECT



WEEK 8, 2017

Three Way and Student Led Conferences

Wednesday 27th September 3-5pm

Thursday 28th September 1-6.30pm (school finishes at 12.20pm)

Bookings are now OPEN

Go to www.schoolinterviews.co.nz

Type in the Event number **hjmwa** and click GO

Follow the simple steps

There are two days to choose from—Wednesday 27th September and Thursday 28th September.

Time slots are 15 minutes in duration or senior team 30 minutes in duration. Please note that the senior team does have an earlier finish time on Thursday.

It is recommended if you have more than one child that you do not do back to back bookings so you have time to get from one class to another.

If a time is already taken then it will be blocked out.

If you do not have access to a computer, please call into the office and we can help you arrange your appointment.

Bizzy Bodz will be open from 12.20pm on Thursday. Book with them direct.

On Thursday the bus will depart at the normal time—any bus children who are unable to be collected at 12.20pm will be supervised in the Library.



AG DAY



23rd September 2017

Celebrating 85 years of Ag Day



Prizegiving

All going well, prize giving will be approx. 1.30pm. This year the place-getters (1st, 2nd, 3rd and Highly Commended) as well as the overall winners for the growing project "Edible Garden" and the construction project "Bird Boxes" will be handed out at prize giving.

The animal trophies and class project prize winners will be handed out at prize giving as usual.

We would love to see as many children at prize giving as possible.

Stall Helpers Still Needed -

- Nail Drive
- Paintball
- Trench digging

Yesterday an Ag Day checklist (on blue paper) was sent home and also sent via E-Tap. Please refer to this for all your information about the day.

Ag Day Trench Dig

As part of the school pool refurbishment, a solar heating system is being installed over these holidays. We require a small trench to be dug between Pepeketua room and the pool pump house.

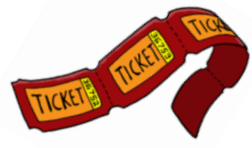
There will be a competition with the winner receiving the "Golden Shovel". Have YOU got what it takes ... we will find out on Saturday!

We need help to supervise the trench digging activity. Please contact the office to volunteer your services.

Programmes will be sold on the day outside the office and by the cabin on the bottom flat.

Keep selling your Cowpat Bingo tickets





EFTPOS / CASH & CASHLESS TICKETS

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 **as there will be NO REFUNDS for unused tickets.**

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!!

Any families who wish to pay for your art/calendars etc can pay online into the PTA account by 4 October -

12 3031 0851232 00 Reference: Child's first and last name. Code: Room Particulars: Calendar art.

PLEASE MAKE SURE YOUR ORDER FORM AND PAYMENT IS GIVEN TO THE OFFICE BY FRIDAY 29TH SEPTEMBER SO YOUR ORDER IS NOT MISSED OUT.

On the last day of term, the PTA will be running a sausage sizzle and ice block sale.

Sausages will be \$2 and ice blocks \$1. Order with your class teacher please on Friday 29th.

Halloween Disco Thursday 26th October 6.00-8.00pm

\$2.00 entry

Food, drinks, glow sticks, dancing—time to BOOgie!

Reminder Dates

23rd September	Ag Day (school day)
26th September	Bookings close at 3.00pm for Student Led and 3 way conferences
27th September	Netball fun day
27th September	Student Led and 3 way conferences 3.00pm—5.00pm
28th September	Student Led and 3 way conferences 1.00pm—6.30pm
28th September	SCHOOL CLOSSES AT 12.20PM FOR CONFERENCES
29th September	Term 3 ends
16th October	Term 4 starts
23rd October	Labour Day
24th October	Day in Lieu of Ag Day

Community Notices

Splash Break-Away Holiday Programme at Franklin Pool and Leisure Tuesday 3rd—Friday 6th October

FREE! Includes lunch (for 11-17 years)

For more info or to register phone 09 306 0809 or email Leilani.fuemana@dpanz.org.nz or check the website www.dpanz.org.nz

Youthtown Holiday Programmes

Further information is available at <http://www.youthtown.org.nz/locations/auckland/south-auckland>

Karaka Touch Rugby

Karaka Touch Rugby commences on Friday 6th October @ 5.30pm. Registrations are \$35 per child which includes your team shirt. Registrations can be done online at www.karakarugby.co.nz <<http://www.karakarugby.co.nz>> or the FINAL REGISTRATION on the following day at the Karaka Sports Park.

Friday 22nd September 6.00 - 7.00pm

The grades are 5-7yrs, 8-10yrs, and 11-13yrs, Mixed & Mens. We have also had interest in a girls/womens section, if you have any queries contact Craig Hill on 021 733 136 or karakarugby@gmail.com <mailto:karakarugby@gmail.com>

A message from Kids First Public Health

New Zealand has had 361 cases of Mumps reported so far this year. This is more cases than we have had in New Zealand in the last 16 years! Unfortunately, not all countries have the same vaccination schedule. There may be people who don't realise they are not protected. Anyone who was vaccinated in another country needs to check with their GP or Public Health Nurse. Some countries (like Tonga, Fiji, Kiribati and Tuvalu) vaccinate with MR, which is Measles and Rubella, but not Mumps. It's easy to get protected against Mumps, all GPs have the MMR vaccine, and it is free (and easier than having Mumps). Even with our New Zealand schedule, there are large numbers of young people not protected, due to an (unfounded) scare around the MMR vaccine in the late 1990s. Mumps causes high temperatures and very painful swelling around the jaw. It can also lead to infertility. It is spread through saliva (coughing, sneezing, sharing food and drink). If concerned, call your GP, Public Health Nurse, or Healthline on 0800 611 116.

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