



# Karaka School

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No. 20 27th June 2018

Newsletter

## Principal's Note

Week 9, Term 2 2018

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

### CELEBRATING LEARNING & ACHIEVEMENT

What an AMAZING MATARIKI WEEK we had! Thank you to those parents who worked alongside our learners to share cultural experiences - these were hugely valuable authentic learning opportunities and we very much appreciated your time.

Our week culminated in our festival day where we were joined by Wesley College, Te Hihi School, Farmhouse Pre-School and Karaka Playcentre. This was a wonderful celebration where, following our student led powhiri, Wesley, Te Hihi and Karaka shared performances from their kapa haka groups. Our senior kapa haka group was OUTSTANDING thanks to their commitment to after school practices and expert tutoring from our Kapa Haka Kaiako Mr Glover - thanks to you all - we were VERY PROUD! During the powhiri Mr Glover extended a wero - challenge - to our visitors to host the festival next year. This was accepted by Te Hihi school, and so a new tradition has been created and relationships between our schools strengthened. A festival is of course not complete without food! Thank you to our staff and the PTA for preparing a lovely morning tea for our visitors and to the Gurnick, Harding, Clark and Penney families for sourcing the produce, preparing the food, digging the hangi pit for cooking, arriving very early in the morning to light the fire and then serving the hangi to very eager and hungry students and adults before cleaning it all up! The hangi was yet another highlight of the day! We are so grateful to you all. The support of our community for this event was also superb. It was great to see so many of you there to welcome our visitors and share in the performances. The students thoroughly enjoyed the opportunity to share their learning with you during the open classes also.





**Matariki and Hangi 2018**

This week is STEM week! Our Year 6 students have joined our Intermediates to embark on learning that has taken them all the way to Sanctuary Mountain! This authentic experience will help them to answer some questions that will help their learning later in the week. Meanwhile the rest of our learners across the school are enjoying rotating around a variety of activities that link to their inquiry into What's Worth Saving?

## **Student Led Conferences**

Have you booked your conference yet? The students are looking forward to sharing their learning with you. Mid year reports will be able to be collected at the time of your conference too. Information about how to book is below.

## **Good News Call of the Week**

Our Good News Call of the Week recipient was Thomas F! Thomas was nominated for showing our value of nurture - he consistently cares for others, ensuring that they feel supported and encouraged. Congratulations Thomas!



**Nga mihi nui,  
Sarah Hynds**

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

## **Student Led Conferences**

**Go to [www.schoolinterviews.co.nz](http://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz)**

**Type in the event code: a852g**

**Click Go**

**Follow the simple steps**

**Two days to choose from, with time slots 20 minutes in duration**

**4th July (school closes at 12.20)**

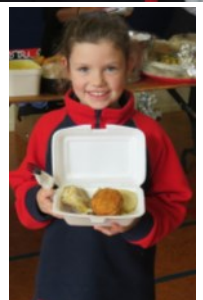
**Please collect your children as soon as possible, so our conferences  
can start on time**

**After School Care facility will be operating, bus students not picked  
up earlier will be supervised**

**5th July—this is a normal school day**

**Bookings will close on Tuesday 3rd July at 3.00pm**





## Roll Return Day—Tomorrow Thursday 28th June

If your child is absent on this day, can the office be provided with a note (either via email, our website or written).

This happens twice a year and is a Ministry requirement.

Thanks.



### Wig Wednesday

A big thank you to the Karaka School community for supporting Wig Wednesday last week. We raised \$280.00 for the Child Cancer appeal. I'm sure they will be pleased to receive our donation.



### Look Sharp Store School Partnership Programme

Our School is now part of this programme. If you go in and mention you are from Karaka School you will receive a 10% discount off everything in store.



# AG DAY



**22nd September 2018**

- **Ag Day Auction**—All items big and small are gratefully accepted, also cash so we can buy items too. Please start bringing your items into the office .
- **Animals**— Unfortunately there will be no calves this year, however you can still have a lamb, goat, piglet, chicken or pony. Chicken orders and payment need to be back by **Friday 6th July**.
- **Entry form**—Every child must complete an Entry form. These are due back 3rd August.
- **Growing and Construction Projects**—Potato in a Bucket and Fence Picket Art Palings will be available for **collection after school on Friday 29th**.
- **2017 Trophies**—Please return all 2017 trophies in a **clean and undamaged condition**. You get to keep the miniatures.
- **Thank you**—Thank you to Damian Smith who has helped the school by sourcing free products for us to use. We really appreciate it.
- **Next Meeting**—Tuesday 24th July 7.00pm

**Lunchroom**—Some families may remember a while ago when the lunchroom offered sushi as an option one day a week. The PTA are pleased to announce that in Term 3 we will trial having sushi again as a lunch room option one day a week. Keep a look out for all the details which will be sent out the first week of Term 3.

**Quiz Night—This Saturday!! 30th June, 6.30pm Karaka School Hall—**Only 3 more sleeps to go, until we head “Around the World”.

You can still buy a ticket/table but please do this urgently at the school office.

This is the biggest PTA fundraiser for the year and we would really, really like our whole school community to join in the fun. You are welcome to enjoy great food, games, mystery bags, cash bar and of course the quiz.

If you are wanting to travel on the K’Uber bus (\$5.00 return), please email [dn\\_swan@yahoo.co.nz](mailto:dn_swan@yahoo.co.nz) and confirm your address/number of passengers so we can work out the route and timings. All info will be sent out by email asap, any queries in advance on the night call Nicky on 021 288 1255.

Also if you are on the bus PLEASE BE READY to go, at your gate, at your allocated time, so you don’t keep everyone waiting. Our flight crew have a schedule and you don’t want to be browsing duty free while your ride takes off without you....

Thanks for your support and we can’t wait for another fun, successful night. All funds are paying for our beautiful new astro-turf, so remember your gold coins for games and cash/eftpos for the bar and mystery bags.

See you on Saturday.

From the Quiz Night Team.

- For all PTA queries you can email us on [karaka.pta@gmail.com](mailto:karaka.pta@gmail.com)
- If you want to pay anything direct our details are: Karaka School PTA—12-3031-0851231-00



Karaka School PTA Fundraiser



**Saturday 30 June 2018**

Karaka School Hall 6.30pm

\$35 per person - grab a table of 8 if you have a group or  
join a social table if you are wanting to mix and mingle

Cash bar – light dinner included in ticket price

*Prestigious title and trophy for the winning quiz team*

**Dress up in costumes from around the world**

*Prize, fame and glory for the best dressed table*

Tickets on sale now at the office (cash and eftpos)

*Limited numbers so get in quick!!*



# Reminder Dates

<b>30 June</b>	PTA Quiz night 6.30pm
<b>3 July</b>	Whole school cross country
<b>4 July</b>	Student Led Conferences (school closes at 12.20 today)
<b>5 July</b>	Student Led Conferences (normal school day), Save day for cross country
<b>22 September</b>	Ag Day
<b>19 October</b>	Day in Lieu of Ag Day

## Community Notices

**Rosehill College Year 9 Open Evening 2nd August 5.00pm** for prospective students and their parents/caregivers.

Enrolment packs available from 23rd July

In zone—due 24th August; Out of zone—due 5th September

Ballot date—12th September

## KAS KIDS AFTER SCHOOL

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# Enrolments for 2019

**Enrolment Applications open:** Mon 28 May 2018

**Information Evening:** 6 - 8pm Mon 25 June 2018

*Please see below for instructions to download forms*

**Open Day:** Tues 7 Aug 2018

**Tours and Headmaster's Address:**

9.30am 11.30am 1.30pm

Yr 9 Enrolment Applications close: Fri 31 Aug 2018

Yr 9 Ballot: Fri 7 Sep 2018

Yr 9 Notification by: Fri 21 Sep 2018

Yr 10-13 Enrolments Close: Fri 9 Nov 2018

Yr 10 - 13 Ballot: Fri 16 Nov 2018

Yr 10 - 13 Notification by: Fri 30 Nov 2018



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*"Sapiens fortunam fingit sibi" - A wise man carves his own fortune*

Seasons For Growth is a grief, loss and change program for children, and helps them deal with challenges in their lives e.g separation, divorce, death or other major family changes. The next after-school program starts on **Tuesday 31st of July 4pm-5pm** at St Andrews Church hall in Pukekohe. A Parent Programme is also running at the same time. The Programs run for 8 weeks during term time. For enquiries or enrolments please phone/text Marisa Skilton on 021 142 5812, office on 238 7228, or contact me at [seasonsfranklin@xtra.co.nz](mailto:seasonsfranklin@xtra.co.nz). For more info go to [www.pukekohecommunityaction.co.nz/seasons](http://www.pukekohecommunityaction.co.nz/seasons).

## PUKEKOHE RACEWAY KIDS OBSTACLE DUATHLON

Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> September

Duathlon - Run, Bike & Obstacle  
Course Run

Compete individually or in 2-person  
team

Year 3 - 8 students

Enter online: [www.bsgevents.co.nz](http://www.bsgevents.co.nz)



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