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"Ka whangaia, ka tupu, ka puawai."

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Newsletter

Principal's Note

Week 7, Term 3 2018

Kia ora and welcome to this fortnight's newsletter.

CELEBRATING LEARNING & ACHIEVEMENT

Staff Appreciation Day
PAPAKURA PRINCIPALS APPRECIATE OUR STAFF

On **Friday 7 September**, the Papakura Principals' Association will hold their second Papakura wide **School Staff Appreciation Day**. We will be encouraging each school to embrace this as a day for both Boards of Trustees and the wider parent community to show their appreciation for the work of our teachers, teacher aides and school staff.

Our **staff** are **dedicated**, **hardworking** and **committed** to their students learning and wellbeing. They work endless hours of unpaid overtime, spend their personal money on resources for their students and constantly put the needs of their students first. They teach, encourage, mentor, praise, coach, influence, share, guide and inspire on a daily basis.

Parents and students can get behind this day by showing their appreciation of the school staff that they value. One **kind word** can change someone's day and the power of a **thank you** or a **smile** for all that they do will last a long time.





Congratulations to Lottie B who was last week's Good News Call of the Week! Lottie consistently displays our value of nurture and has stood out for the way in which she actively seeks to support and be kind to others. We are very proud of you Lottie!

Kua Tae Te Wā update

After months of negotiations with the Ministry of Education, and more talks since the strike on August 15, we still have no new offer.

Our union, NZEI Te Riu Roa, continues to negotiate in good faith, but the Government says it will take time to fix the issues.

However, time is the one thing we don't have. Around the country we're seeing:

- 40% reduction in teacher trainees
- Zero applicants for some teaching jobs
- More children entering school
- More children with additional learning and behavioural needs
- Teachers are burning out and leaving the profession, often within a few years of graduating

The staff at our school want your children to have the very best education we can provide. We're standing firm in that commitment and believe the time is now to ensure that schools can offer every child the education and support they need, and that we have a sustainable teaching profession into the future. Our children can't wait. We won't wait.

We appreciate your support. Please talk to your child's teacher if you have any questions, and consider signing this petition to the Minister of Education in support of teachers.

<https://campaigns.nzei.org.nz/time/petition-teachers-and-principals/>

Nga mihi nui, Sarah Hynds,
Principal@karaka.school.nz

THURSDAY 6TH SEPTEMBER - MUFTI DAY

Gold coin donation

Sports theme

Fundraising for Year 7&8 AIMS Games.



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 school values. The following students have received a principal's award recently in relation to our LEARN values.

<i>Awarded at assembly on the 31st August</i>		<i>TUI:</i> Emma R	<i>RURU:</i> Max N
<i>PUKEKO:</i> Bently B	<i>PATEKE:</i> Samantha H	<i>MANGOPARE:</i> James O	<i>MOKOMOKO:</i> Harry M
<i>KOKAKO:</i> Kellen C	<i>KOKAKO:</i> Navarro N	<i>KOKAKO:</i> Conner S	<i>KOTARE:</i> Ben C
<i>TE AO MAORI/THE ARTS: Tua S, Isabella M, Olivia S, Henry W</i> <i>CAUGHT BEING GOOD: Brooklyn T</i>			

2019 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 (In zone or out of zone). If so, it would be very much appreciated if you could let us know.

Any out of zone enrolments need to be received in our office by 18 October 2018 to be eligible for our ballot on 30th October.

Please email lynnef@karaka.school.nz with the details. Enrolment forms are available from our website or can be collected from the school office. Visits are welcomed too.



Lucky Book Club – Scholastic Orders

All orders for Issue 6 are due in this Friday, 7th September. The easiest way to order is on-line via the Loop orders (mybookclub.scholastic.co.nz).

Otherwise please hand in the order form and payment to the office by Friday this week. Thanks.



YEAR 6-8 MATHEX COMPETITION

Recently our Year 6-8 Mathex teams attended the Papakura Schools Mathex competition held at Papakura Normal Primary School.

We went to the event with a few goals in mind: utilise our tool box of Math knowledge and strategies to solve the questions, work well as a team and have fun.

At the end of each event I had a catch up with the students and they were all really chatty, a sure sign they had enjoyed the event and been challenged mathematically.

All teams performed well, however did not place.

A big thank you to all the parents that brought the students to the event and supported them. It was great to have you there.

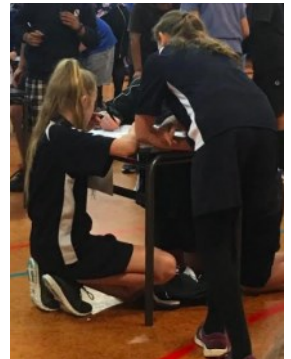
Teams were:

Year 6(1)= William G, Conor, Nelly and Kellen

Year 6(2)= Charlie, Chloe, Liam and Jarred

Year 7= Jessica, James M, Bianca and James O

Year 8= D'Artagnan, Jack, Hamish and Brooke



Year 5-8 School Speech Competition and Year 3/4 Poetry Recital

Parents of students in Years 3-8 have probably learnt a poem or speech off by heart this term, I know our teachers sure have. We have been thrilled with the effort our older students have put into writing their speeches and also the effort of all students in fine tuning their oral presentations. On Friday the class finalists presented their poems/speeches in front of their peers and a group of supportive parents. Every speaker displayed confidence and enjoyed the opportunity to compete.

Results for this year's event:

<i>Year 3/4 Poetry Recital</i>	<i>Year 5/6 Speech</i>	<i>Year 7/8 Speech</i>
Runner Up = Isabella B Winner = Olivia S	Runner Up = Ffion P Winner = Nelly J	Runner Up = Joseph W Winner = Jessica G

STEM - BODY SYSTEMS

Year 7 & 8

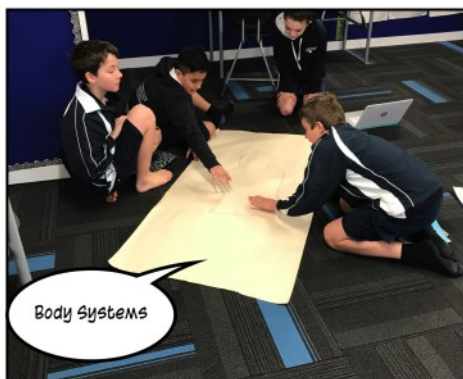
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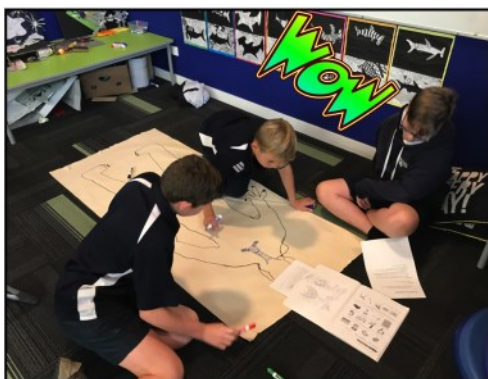
Rat dissection with Sue, our STEM expert!



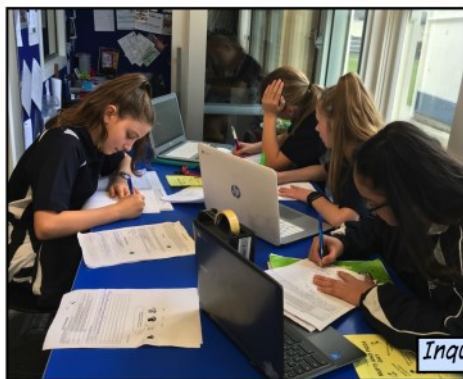
Pluck (heart/lungs) from a sheep



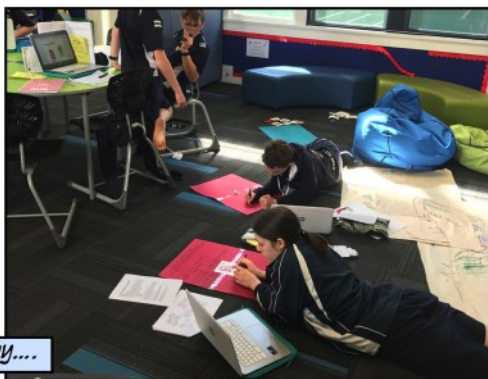
Body Systems



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Inquiry....





RAFFLE

Please support Agricultural Day by 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.

Week 20 August – 24 August	Tins (e.g. fruit, baked beans, spaghetti)
Week 27 August – 31 August	Bottles (e.g. cooking oil, vinegar, mayonnaise, sauces)
Week 3 September – 7 September	Packets (e.g. tea, coffee, paper towels, cereal, pasta)
Week 10 September – 14 September	Lucky Dip items (for the Lucky Dip stall)

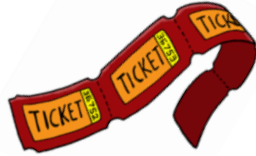
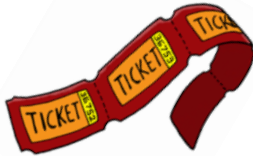
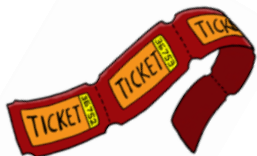
Please check expiry dates on items before sending them to school.

Books/DVD's—Please start bringing in books and DVDs for our book stall. Please drop off in the hall foyer.

Citrus/Plants/Vegetables/Produce—We will be having a produce stall on Ag Day. If you have any produce that we could sell on the stall please let us know.

Gumboot Bingo—Keep on selling tickets! \$5.00 each. We have more booklets in the office if you would like to sell extra.

Bloke's Baking Comp—Reminder about the Bloke's baking competition, make your choice of cake, slice, biscuit, dessert etc. Refer to your information booklet for details on how to enter.



KARAKA KASH

CASHLESS TICKETS - ALL FOOD AND ACTIVITIES

All children's activities and food this year will be run using a cashless ticket system. With the exception of the coffee carts and donuts who are outside providers and will take both cash and cashless tickets.

Tickets will be sold in \$1 and \$2 values.

We will also have the option of a \$5 or \$10 purchase of cashless tickets made up from the \$1 & \$2 tickets.

The \$5 option will be 2x \$2 tickets + 1x \$1 ticket that will be stapled together to make the \$5 so then this can be used as \$5 or pulled apart to use separately depending on costs of the activity or stall.

The \$10 option will be 5x \$2 tickets stapled together to make \$10.

The amount of cashless tickets you purchase is up to you. An order form will be sent out next week for those wishing to avoid the queues on AG day. You will be able to pre-order Karaka Kash prior to Ag Day by sending your order and money to school. These orders will then be collated and placed in envelopes with your name on to be collected on AG Day.

Cashless ticket sales will also be available on the day from the Office. You will be able to pay with EFTPOS or cash for your cashless ticket purchases.

EFTPOS will still be available to pay for any auction items or if you prefer you can pay with cash for auction items ONLY.

It is important you use all the tickets you have purchased as there will be NO REFUNDS for unused tickets.

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 (Mrs Flett)	BOOKS/RAFFLES/LUCKY DIPS
Room Ruru (Miss Peters)	PRODUCE
Room Tui (Ms Davis)	CAFÉ IN THE HALL
Room Kotare (Ms Sylva)	PAINTED ANIMALS
Room Pateke (Mrs Corlett)	CAKES / LOLLIES
Room Pukeko (Mrs Hartnett)	DRINKS / ICE BLOCKS
Room Mokomoko (Miss Agate)	BOUNCY CASTLE/BOOKS/HAIR/ FACEPAINTING
Room Kokako (Mrs Sutton)	PTA STALLS
Room Kokako (Mrs Fielder)	BOUNCY CASTLE/BOOKS/HAIR/ FACEPAINTING
Room Kokako (Miss Maihi)	BOUNCY CASTLE/BOOKS/HAIR/ FACEPAINTING

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.

To volunteer go to www.schoolinterviews.co.nz

Type in event number ycpue

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

Books/Dvds	Bouncy Castle	Breakfast BBQ
Café Hall	Cakes & Lollies	Drinks/ Ice Blocks/ Popcorn
Face Painting	Hair	Hot Chips/Hot Dogs
Kitchen CLEAN UP	Nails	Paintball
Photo Booth	Produce Fruit & Vege	Raffles /Lucky Dips



Ag Day Auction Donations

With our Ag Day fast approaching and this event being our major fundraiser for the school, we are appealing to all our Karaka School community to please support the Ag Day Auction by donating any items big or small. Here are some examples of items that have been donated in the past:

- * Appliances / BBQ / Bikes
- * Use of a Holiday Home for a weekend
- * Family Experiences e.g. Zip lining and Forest Walk
- * Sporting Memorabilia
- * Chainsaws, wheelbarrows, tools
- * Family photography package
- * Hotel Escape packages

We are also happy to accept any cash donations that can be used towards bigger ticket items. Any tradies or professionals out there that would be willing to donate a few hours of their time that could be auctioned off to help raise money for the school would also be gratefully accepted.

Please help in anyway possible so we reach our end goal of improving our outdoor learning environments and playing spaces for our school children. Please don't hesitate to approach or contact us with any queries - **Sarah Bolton 0276 341 641** or **Katrina Matthews 027 552 1604**.

NEXT AG DAY MEETING

Tuesday 18th September, 7.00pm in the staffroom.

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!!

Save the Date!!

Halloween Disco

1st November 2018



**NEXT MEETING
WEDNESDAY 12TH
SEPTEMBER 7PM IN
THE STAFFROOM**

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

Reminder Dates

10-13 September	AIMs Games
10-14 September	Maori Language Week
12 September	PTA Meeting 7.00pm
13 September	Junior Team - Oete Goat Farm Trip
14 September	Middle Team - Oete Goat Farm Trip
19 September	Netball Funday - Year 5&6
18 September	Growing projects and Fence Paling due to school for judging
22 September	Ag Day –Compulsory school day
19 October	Day in Lieu of Ag Day

Community Notices

KAS KIDS AFTER SCHOOL

October School Holiday Programme

Keep your kids active, entertained, involved and excited with what we have planned these holidays!

Trips to Skateland and Parakai exclusively for our 8 years & up. We're visiting Hamilton Zoo and our popular movie trip, we also have some special visitors - Circus In A Flash and Mick Peck's magic show. There's monsters, a camp out, dodgeball and a scavenger hunt!

To view our brochure and to book now visit us at:

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8-14 year olds

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Contact Mark Bridger, Edventure Director on 02102241576 or mark@edventure.co.nz for more information. Or check out our website www.edventure.co.nz

Pukekohe Raceway

KIDS OBSTACLE DUATHLON

Tuesday 25th September, 2018

Duathlon—Run, Bike & Obstacle Course Run

Compete individually or in 2-person team

Year 3-8 students

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