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"Ka whangaia, ka tupu, ka puawai."

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Newsletter

Principal's Note

Week 3, Term 4 2018

Congratulations to our 60 marathon runners who joined Mrs Sutton at the Auckland Marathon on Sunday to complete their final 2.2 kms. What a fantastic achievement - we are so proud of you! A huge thank you to Mrs Sutton for her organisation, it was very much appreciated by all.

We are hoping that the weather is kind to us tomorrow so that we are able to hold our whole school athletics day. This will start at 9am and we invite parents and whanau to join us. The wearing of house colours/t-shirt - is encouraged however, we ask that the school uniform is packed also so they can change after their events. Look forward to seeing you there!


There is still a lot of learning to be done in the final term of the year so just a little reminder about the importance of attendance...

Just a little bit late doesn't seem much but.....

He/ She is only missing just....	That equals....	Which is.....	and over 13 years of schooling that's...
10 minutes per day	50 minutes per week	Nearly 1.5 weeks per year	Nearly <u>Half a year</u>
20 minutes per day	1 hour 40 mins per week	Over 2.5 Weeks per year	Nearly <u>1 year</u>
Half an hour per day	Half a day per week	4 Weeks per Year	Nearly <u>1 and a Half years</u>
1 hour per day	1 day per week	8 Weeks per year	Over <u>2 and a Half years</u>

EVERY SCHOOL DAY COUNTS

Days off school add up to lost learning!

365 DAYS IN EACH YEAR	175 NON SCHOOL DAYS				175 days to spend on family time, visits, holidays, shopping, household jobs and other appointments.	
	190 SCHOOL DAYS IN EACH YEAR	10 days absence	19 days absence	29 days absence	38 days absence	47 days absence
		180 DAYS OF EDUCATION	170 DAYS OF EDUCATION	161 DAYS OF EDUCATION	152 DAYS OF EDUCATION	143 DAYS OF EDUCATION
	190 days for your child's education					
	100%	95%	90%	85%	80%	75%
	GOOD Best chance of success. Gets your child off to a flying start.		WORRYING Less chance of success. Makes it harder to make progress.		SERIOUS CONCERN Not fair on your child.	

This term there is one policy up for review that parents are invited to contribute to [Improving Educational Outcomes for Māori Students](#). Simply follow the instructions below if you would like to participate.

Visit the website <http://karaka.schooldocs.co.nz/1893.htm>

Enter the username (karaka) and password (school)

Follow the link to the relevant policy as listed

Read the policy

Click the Policy Review button at the top right-hand corner of the page

Select the reviewer type

Enter your name

Submit your ratings and comments

Message from NZEI:

IT'S TIME YOUR CHILDREN HAD THE EDUCATION THEY DESERVE

Schools are facing a teacher shortage crisis, with a 40% drop in people training to be teachers; and a growing number of school-aged children. In term three, 50% of schools reported that they did not have enough teachers. Schools are struggling to attract teaching staff, and that problem looks set to worsen.

There is also a desperate need for more support for children with additional learning needs.

The governments offer fell significantly short of addressing these concerns and as a result, the teachers and principal's overwhelmingly rejected the offer and voted to carry out a rolling strike.

STRIKE ACTION:

Auckland Region: Monday 12th November

WHAT WE ARE CAMPAIGNING FOR?

- More teachers – so your kids can get more attention
- More resources/staff to support children with additional learning needs
- A pay jolt to salaries for teachers to address the teacher shortage – so that your children will have a teacher in the future.

GOOD NEWS CALL OF THE WEEK!

Congratulations James O! A very deserving recipient. James was nominated for consistently displaying our values of Nurture, Excellence and Respect - so proud of you James!



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

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 26th October</i>		<i>TUI:</i> Ella S	<i>RURU:</i> Caitlin S
<i>PUKEKO:</i> Aidan I	<i>PATEKE:</i> Saumya S	<i>MANGOPARE:</i> Johnny H	<i>MOKOMOKO:</i> Cormack W
<i>KOKAKO:</i> Declan L	<i>KOKAKO:</i> Mikyla B	<i>KOKAKO:</i> Glenn C and Cohen H	<i>KOTARE:</i> Hazel G
<i>TE AO MAORI/THE ARTS:</i> Joseph W, Sanaa S , Tessa J, Harry M			
<i>CAUGHT BEING GOOD:</i> Mrs Thorby			
<i>CITIZENSHIP:</i> Brooklynn W			

ALLERGIES - IMPORTANT MEDICAL NOTICE

We have a student in our Karaka School community that has a severe food allergy to many types of nuts (pecans, cashews, peanuts and walnuts). It is extremely important that there is strict avoidance of this food in order to prevent a life-threatening allergic reaction.

We are therefore asking for your help to provide the student with a safe school environment. Any exposure to these types of nuts may cause a life-threatening allergic reaction that requires emergency medical treatment. To reduce the chance of this occurring, we are asking that you do not send any of these nuts to school with your child. Both Karaka School and the child's family appreciate your assistance and thank you for your support.

If you have any questions in regards to this request please see Sarah Hynds or Carla Cook.

KIDS MARATHON EVENT

Well done to the 60 Karaka School students that all trained for 10 weeks leading up to the Kids Marathon, running 1km per day for 4 days per week. Then they completed the full marathon distance by running 2.2km at the Auckland Marathon on Sunday 28th of October. It was great to see lots of smiles on your faces at your accomplishment. What an outstanding achievement, everyone. I look forward to training with many of you next year for the 2019 Kids Marathon event.





ATHLETICS DAY – THURSDAY 1ST NOVEMBER

Ice Block Sale on Athletics Day

We have some ice blocks left from our AIMS games fundraiser and we will be selling these on our School Athletics Day.

Ice blocks will be \$2.00.

ECCS TOUCH TOURNAMENT

On Wednesday the 24th of October Karaka School had 2 teams compete in the E.C.C.S. Touch Tournament held at Te Puru Park, Maraetai. The Karaka B team played 5 games and won 2 of their games, improving their skills and teamwork with each game. Well done Karaka B, it was great to see your determination and sportsmanship demonstrated in each game. The Karaka A team won all 5 games and qualified for the Year 5 & 6 final against Beachlands, which they won 7-2. This game demonstrated a team playing with a high level of skill and teamwork, it was an outstanding game to watch and to see everyone on the field participating equally towards the win. Well done, team!



THANK YOU! I would like to say a big thank you to Jacob A who came to referee the Karaka A teams games. Thanks Jacob, the team really appreciated your time and quality of refereeing. Thank you to the parents who helped transports to and from the venue and those who supervised a team on the day. Without your help and support, successful days like this wouldn't be able to happen

END OF YEAR TROPHIES

Can all End of Year 2017 trophies, please be returned to the office as soon as possible cleaned and polished. We are preparing to get them engraved for this years recipients.

Lucky Book Club – Scholastic Orders

All orders for Issue 7 are due in this Friday, 2nd November. 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.

STUCK FOR LUNCH IDEAS?

The Enviro group is encouraging good lunch choices with minimal use of disposable plastic to help with this we will be providing easy lunch suggestions in the newsletter each week encourage your kids to help out by having a go at making their lunch.



How to make easy kebab sticks

Grab all your favourite veggies maybe some meat and heat them on the grill barbecue to make a delicious easy snack for lunch.

TRENCH DIGGING

Thanks very much to Mr Graham for volunteering to oversee the digging of the trench. We still would love to have a couple more helpers on the 12th November. Please see the office if you can help.

HALLOWEEN DISCO

THURSDAY 1 NOVEMBER, 6-8 PM

Pizza, sausages in buns, lollies, ice blocks,
drinks and glow sticks for sale

Fancy dress prizes for kids and adults!

Tickets \$2 at the school hall door

Its going to be frightfully good fun!

- Come along everyone to the Halloween Disco!
- New this year—Dress up's for the Adults!
- Don't worry about dinner, you can have it there. Mini (finger) hot dogs, hot chips, pizza—even Eyeball Jellies!! YUM!!

- 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

1 November	Whole school athletics, PTA Halloween Disco 6-8pm
2 November	Powhiri 9.45am, Hui 10.15am
9 November	Rangitahi Festival (Kapa Haka Year 5-8)
9 November	Assembly 1.45pm
12 November	Strike Day—No School
15 November	Middle Team Sleepover Year 3&4
5 December	Christmas concert 6.00pm
11 December	Prize giving 6.00pm
13 December	Last day of Term 4, school finishes at 12.00
29 January 2019	Term 1, 2019 starts

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