

This term is absolutely full of exciting events. Remember to keep an eye on our dates to remember and school calendar (found on our website) for all the happenings!

Coming soon...

#### **Student Led Conferences**

As mentioned in last weeks newsletter, on **Wednesday November 28th,** we will be holding student led conferences. This is an opportunity to celebrate your child's learning alongside them. Bookings can be made online from November **16th** through until November **27th.** Information on how to book can be found in this newsletter. School closes at 12.20 on the 28th. Please collect your children on time in order for us to start the conferences promptly at 1.00pm. End of year reports will be handed out at this time also.

### Parent helper morning tea

We couldn't do all we do without extra help. So it is time that we celebrated YOU! If you have been one of our amazing volunteers this year - reading mileage, volunteer on a trip, member of one of our incredible committees, classroom helper etc... - we would like to invite you to a morning tea to show you our appreciation for all that you do! See the open invite further in the newsletter (for catering purposes, please RSVP to the office - thanks!)

### Kids for Kids Choir

Our Kids for Kids Choir is performing alongside other schools tomorrow evening at the Manukau Events Centre starting at 7.30pm. Rehearsals are being held tomorrow also and I know the students will sound fantastic as we have been treated to a couple of performances in assemblies! Thank you to Mrs Corlett and Mrs Hartnett for preparing our students so well - you have done a fabulous job!



#### **GOOD NEWS CALL OF THE WEEK!**

Congratulations to Maddison R who was our Good News Call of the Week last Friday. Maddison is so respectful and always strives for personal excellence thank Maddison for being an amazing role model of our school values!

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

## Parent Helper and Friends of the School Morning Tea Tuesday 27th November at 10.00 in the School Hall

As a **thank you** to all of you who have helped out at school on a voluntary basis over the year, we would like to invite you to morning tea.

This especially applies to those who help in the BOT, PTA, Ag Day committee, library, Bible in Schools, uniform shop, lunchroom, Lucky Books, Reading Mileage, Early Words programme, magazine, sausage sizzles, school camps, book taping, Middle Team sleepover, school trips, choir rehearsals, individual classroom teacher help, parents who have helped transport and any others who have assisted the staff during the year.

Student Led Conferences Wednesday 28th November (Will be open for bookings on Friday 16th November)

Go to www.schoolinterviews.co.nz

Type in the event code: 8vvqm

Click Go

Follow the simple steps

School closes at 12.20 so conferences can start on time at 1.00pm

After School Care facility in the Hall (to be confirmed)

Bus students not already picked up will be supervised

Bookings will close on Tuesday 27th November at 3.00pm

### 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.

Awarded at assembly on the		TUI:	RURU:
9th November		Reid H	Charlie T
PUKEKO:	PATEKE:	MANGOPARE:	мокомоко:
Deeva P	Mahalia-Rose S	Blake M	Mikayla C
КОКАКО:	КОКАКО:	КОКАКО:	KOTARE:
Haydn F	Reagan S	Tyler C	Jezelle C

**TE AO MAORI/THE ARTS:** Tessa J

#### **Fees**

Please make sure you have paid all fees due especially bus, mathletics, consumables, camps etc. We have had to pay outside providers for these and would appreciate payment to cover these costs.

### **Library Stocktake**

We will be completing our annual stocktake shortly. Please start looking for any books at home/in your desk. All books to be returned to the Library by **Friday 16th November.** 

### END OF YEAR TROPHIES

Can all End of Year 2017 trophies, please be returned to the office by Wednesday 21st November, cleaned and polished. We are preparing to get them engraved for this years recipients.

# STUCK FOR LUNCH IDEAS?

The enviro group is encouraging good lunch choices with minimal 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. This week: Pastal



Cook the pasta according to packet instructions, then add any of your favourite veges (cooked broccoli, cooked mushroom, capsicum, tomato, spinach, red onion, zucchini), some meat (chicken, ham or salami) and your favourite dressing (olive oil, lemon, pesto, ranch dressing, lite mayo or aioli). Cover with parmesan or feta and enjoy!



### **PTA News**

### PTA Meeting Tonight 7.00pm

Our last for the year, so come along and bring your ideas for next year.

Samosa and Oxford Pie Orders—by now you should have your order forms. These are due back Friday 16th November (Not long to order) and delivery is Tuesday 27th November.

### From the Lunchroom

Hi Karaka School Community

I am sure most of you are aware that we have a lunchroom that operates every Tuesday and Friday providing lunch options for your children. This lunchroom is run by the PTA and functions only because we have a small group of wonderful volunteers (not all PTA) who are happy to give up an hour or so once a week to ensure your children have a yummy lunch and you can have the day off making it.

We cannot run this service without volunteers and are asking for more to help out each week. If you can spare about an hour (or so) on either Tuesday morning (Sushi 8.15-9.15) or Friday (8.15-9.30) please call our text Debbie Holmes on 027 239 0304. You wouldn't be asked to volunteer every week, depending on how many volunteers we have it might only be 2—3 times a term and there is no food preparation as all the food is prepackaged. It is a great way to get to know the faces around school and contribute to the fundraising that is so critical to schools.

Cheers, Debs and the Lunchroom team....

- 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

**15 November** Kids for Kids Choir

**16 November** Library books due back, Middle Team Sleepover Year 3&4

**23 November** Assembly 1.45pm

**27 November** Helpers and Friends of the School morning tea 10.00am

**28 November** Student Led Conferences, End of Year reports being handed out

**5 December** End of Year concert 6.00pm

**6 December** Year 8 Graduation Dinner

**10 December** Year 3 and 4 Big Day Out

**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

### Community Notices

St James Kidsway Market Day, this Saturday 17 November from and to 1pm. Come along and enjoy children's entrainment, white elephant, bouncy castles, cake stall, devonshire tea and much more at 30 West Street, Pukekohe.

### **Kids After School Care Summer Programme**

The Christmas hall booking will be from Friday 14<sup>th</sup> until Friday 21<sup>st</sup> December.

Then we will be back in January on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> until Friday 25<sup>th</sup> January.

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