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## Reminders & Updates Flyer

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**Week 8** Term Four 2018

### **Celebrating Learning & Achievement:**

#### **Top Team Day:**

Our final house challenge of the year is this Friday. The houses have been split into 6 teams each and they will rotate around a variety of challenges to compete against other house teams. This is a lot of fun and we encourage all students to come dressed in house colours - so it's time get those tutus and wigs ready! As all the events are outside, please ensure sunblock is applied prior to leaving home - thanks!

#### **Prizegiving:**

Next week we get an opportunity to celebrate our learners at our annual prize giving. We will start promptly at **6pm** and ask that you be seated prior to this time. Please note, all students will be sitting with their classes in class lines alongside their teachers. Please ensure your child is in the correct place. As this is a formal event, **school uniform needs to be worn**. We look forward to celebrating the achievements of our learners alongside you all.

#### **BOT News:**

On Monday the Board of Trustees had their final meeting of the year. At the meeting, the board unanimously agreed to continue to show a strong commitment to supporting our learners by targeting funds towards valuable people resources in 2019. This will be of huge benefit to all learners. A big thank you to our Board Members who give of their time so generously - we value what you do and all your support for what we do!

#### **2019:**

Have you let the office know if your child **will not** be returning next year? This information is vital to ensure we are well prepared for 2019. Please contact the office now if you have not already done so.

### Good News Call of the Week:

Last Friday it was impossible to choose just one Good News Call of the Week - so we chose 2! Both the amazing students have been striving for personal excellence and showing our value of nurture. We are so



proud of them both. Congratulations Archer J and Tara A you are stars!

This Friday will be our final Good News Call of the Week for 2018 - maybe it will be to you!

### Reminder:

Please do not take other children home with you without prior arrangement and informing the office please e.g. after trips. This is for Health and Safety reasons. Thank you.

**Nga mihi nui, Sarah Hynds,**

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

### Concert Tonight—starts 6.00pm

Tonight we celebrate the performing arts with our learners putting on 'That 80's Show!' for you all. They have been practicing their songs and dance moves and are now ready to entertain! We would love for you to get into the spirit and come dressed up too! So dust off those shoulder pads and leg warmers and come ready to sing along to the tunes of the 80's!!

Due to the amount of rain recently, there will be no parking available on the bottom flat.

### Canned and Non-Perishable Food Collection

This time of the year is not easy for all families and we want to do our bit to help people in our community.

*Can you donate a can or non-perishable item?*

Student Council members will start visiting the classrooms to collect items for one week only (Thursday 29th Nov—Thursday 6th Dec) and then these will be delivered to our local Salvation Army point.

Each item donated will be swapped for a house token—let's see which house is able to donate the most!

## Athletics Auckland Champs

We are very proud of Grace R—she jumped really well in a very competitive environment. The stadium was crawling with coaches! She came 8th which was amazing in light of the fact that the remaining competitors were fosby flopping. She really wants to learn that technique now. All in all a great day and a well organised event.



## Stationery 2019

Last week you will have received information regarding ordering of stationery online for 2019. This year we have carefully selected the books that will best support the learning in the classroom and our assessment for learning practices. For this reason, we ask that you purchase the stationery through OfficeMax to ensure that your child has the correct books for the year.

Also teachers have asked that if you wish to cover your books, please use clear seal only as there is important information on the inside and back covers of the books that the students will use. Alternatively you can use EzCovers—please see their advert in the community notices of this newsletter.

You can order your stationery **now** from OfficeMax.

## Readers Stocktake

We will be completing our annual stocktake on **Thursday 6th December.**

## ALL READERS, JUNIOR JOURNALS TO BE RETURNED URGENTLY.

Can you help with the stocktake? Please see Tanya in Tui room. Many hands make light work.



**Year 3 and 4 Field Events Day—Tuesday 11th from 10.30am until 12.30pm. All welcome to watch.**



You'll find your child's school stationery list online at [myschool.co.nz](http://myschool.co.nz)  
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# Tree Adventures

*Year 7&8 William Pike Outdoor Activity*  
*29th November 2018*



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## **A message from Karaka Sports Park**

We wanted to take the opportunity on behalf of Karaka Sports Park to congratulate your students on the following sporting achievements in 2018 outside of their school sporting activities.

Counties Manukau Roller Mills representative: **Cameron M**

Counties Manukau U15 girls rugby representative : **Ffion P**

Counties Manukau Touch representatives: **Hunter Y, Thomas F, Connor M, Maddi Y, Ffion P, Charlie B, Logan F**

Counties Cricket: **William G**

Please let us know if your child has been selected for a representative team, as we would love to acknowledge everyone and their achievements—Kim Sutton

## **Library Update**

Our annual library stocktake was completed recently. We are upset to report that there is still **170** books outstanding. PLEASE check everywhere at home, under the beds, in your book shelves etc to see if you have one. They can be returned to the office. Thanks



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**DON'T FORGET  
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CLOSES AT  
12.00 ON THE  
LAST DAY—  
13TH  
DECEMBER**

**Accounts**—We would appreciate payment of any outstanding accounts e.g. athletics, camps, bus etc. Accounts were emailed out yesterday.

- \* The lunchroom is open this Friday the 7th December (for those kids who don't like sausages), however as it is close to the end of the year we are starting to get low on a couple of items. If you are ordering from the lunchroom this week please be aware if what you have ordered is unavailable, we will endeavour to replace it with a similar item (if possible).

Items which are running low are: Cookies and Cream Moosies (only one left), Savoury pies (small mince—only one left), Sausage rolls, Cookie Time cookies, Chocolate milk

We have plenty of lime and chocolate moosies, juicy, berry and orange cool sips, strawberry milk, popcorn, buffalo corn chips, mince pies, mince and cheese pies, a few potato tops and loads of pizza.

- \* Top Team Day Friday—reminder that there is a sausage sizzle \$2.00 and ice blocks \$1.00 and \$2.00 options available.

- 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

# Reminder Dates

<b>05 December</b>	End of Year concert—That 80's Show—starts 6.00pm
<b>06 December</b>	Year 8 Graduation Dinner
<b>07 December</b>	Top Team Day, PTA Sausage sizzle and ice blocks for sale
<b>07 December</b>	<b>No</b> assembly due to Top Team Day
<b>10 December</b>	Year 3 and 4 Big Day Out to Chosen Valley, Ararimu
<b>10 December</b>	Junior Big Day In
<b>11 December</b>	Year 3/4 Field Events Day 10.30-12.30, Prize giving starts 6.00pm
<b>12 December</b>	Year 5/6 Water Safety trip
<b>13 December</b>	Last day of term <b>School finishes at 12.00 lunchtime</b>
<b>24/25 January</b>	School office open, Uniform shop open 9.00-10.30am
<b>29 January 2019</b>	Term 1, 2019 starts

## Community Notices

### Music News from Kathy Ganter

BIG congratulations to James W who passed Theory Grade 1 with honours.

### KARAKA NETBALL CLUB 2019 SEASON

**Dates for registrations and  
trials coming soon!**

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# KIDS AFTER SCHOOL

## December 2018 / January 2019 School Holiday Programme

Summer holidays are fast approaching! We have your holiday care sorted at KAS!

There is something for everyone this summer from festive activities to water fun, icy treats and summertime sports!

**As schools have different finish dates this December, please check out our other local programmes to assist with care.**

To view our brochure, parent information sheets and to book in, visit us at:

[www.kidsafterschool.co.nz](http://www.kidsafterschool.co.nz)

Any questions please call our office on 09 236 4078

Secure your place today, spaces are limited!

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## **EzCovers—Cover your books 2019**

Clear covers available next year. Promo code for clear covers for Karaka School is KARA12. Use this code and choose Karaka School from the drop down to order. Order online [www.ezcovers.com/nz](http://www.ezcovers.com/nz)

## **Fun With Art in the school Holidays**

Wilma Suppers 18 Keogh Road, Waipipi 021 1692561 [wapa@orcon.net.nz](mailto:wapa@orcon.net.nz)





Kia ora whanau,

There has been an outbreak of meningococcal bacteria in Northland. Meningococcal disease can cause serious illness of the brain called meningitis and illness of the blood called septicemia.

Meningococcal bacteria can pass from one person to another through:

- Coughing or sneezing

- Sharing eating or drinking utensils such as water bottles, toothbrushes or pacifiers

Signs of meningitis can develop suddenly and can include:

- A high fever

- Headache

- Sleepiness

- Joint and muscle pains

- A stiff neck

- Dislike of bright lights

- A rash consisting of reddish – purple pin-prick spots or bruises

If you or your child are showing any signs of meningitis please contact your doctor straight away or dial 111. You can also call Healthline free on 0800 611 116.

# ROYAL EASTER SHOW 2019



Thursday 18 April to  
Monday 22 April

The Royal Easter Show Art Awards 2019 are delighted to offer two competitions that are ideal for budding young authors and photographers for a project over the holidays.

## WRITE

The Royal Easter Show Write a Children's Short Story Competition is open to youngsters in three divisions, aged 5-9; aged 10-14 and aged 15-18.

Stories must be original, not exceed 1,000 words and can include illustrations. They must be suitable for children and contain no offensive words. The winning story in each division will earn a prize.

## PHOTOGRAPHY

The Royal Easter Show Young Photographer of the Year 2019 has been designed to encourage young photographers to enter their favourite photos.

There are two age divisions: Youth aged 5-11 and Youth aged 12-18. Each photographer can submit three photos. A camera will be donated by the Auckland Agricultural and Pastoral Association to the overall Best Young Photographer in Show from these sections. Each age group 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> place winners will receive a prize.

We also offer Youth Art Competitions in Painting and Ceramic & Pottery (10-18 years of age)

ENTRY FORMS & FURTHER INFORMATION

[artentries@asbshowarounds.co.nz](mailto:artentries@asbshowarounds.co.nz)

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