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Karaka School

No. 16 7th June 2023 Principal's Note

Week 7, Term 2 2023

"Ka whangaia, ka tupu, ka puawai."

ia ora and welcome to this week's newsletter.

CELEBRATING LEARNING & ACHIEVEMENT

Newsletter

Kia ora koutou,

First thing I want to say this week is a huge THANK YOU to all our students and their families, and also to our amazing staff, for all the effort that went into making our Book Fair (and especially our Book Character Dress Up Day) so successful!! I was literally blown away by how amazing everyone looked, and also at the thought, care and effort people put into their costumes. I hate to say it, but it definitely outdid any previous efforts I've seen at my past schools! A special shout out to Miss Ballard for organising our Book Fair Week - we know lots of happy kids are enjoying their new books (and so will mine with the things I have purchased and stashed for her 10th birthday in a week's time). I also have to say ka pai to Mr Dyer for his efforts at our Parade and Assembly on Friday - we actually think he might have missed his calling and there's a Broadway Stage somewhere out there for him.... but not yet because he's much needed here at school too!



This coming week we have quite a few things on the go such as the ECCS Mathex Competition on Friday for our Yr 5-8 students, and then Yr 7&8 Sports Camp on Monday. With these events in mind, one thing we do have to be aware of is the rising number of Covid cases we have in our school community. I sent out a HERO post yesterday with general reminders about keeping vigilant around good hygiene practices. However, please do remember that we do need to be informed of any Covid cases, and we must insist on adhering to the 7 day isolation protocol if someone does test positive. This only relates to the student/family member who does test positive, although we are thankful to those families who have kept siblings home when they have also been experiencing symptoms yet not testing positive.

Remember - the 7 days of isolation dates back to the first date someone experienced symptoms and not the day they tested positive. If you have any questions at all, just contact the school office and we will be more than happy to help.

And finally, tino pai rawa to our Good News Call of the Week recipients who have all demonstrated our Karaka School LEARN Values and were acknowledged on Friday in amongst the Book Character Dress Up fun:

Junior: Taiks N - for his incredible effort, displaying Hiranga/Excellence in everything he does. For making great progress in all learning areas, and being a super enthusiastic and positive learner. He is respectful towards all the teachers he works with and his peers too.

Middle: Paige S - for showing Hiranga/Excellence in all areas. Paige is nurturing and helpful to other students, she always has amazing manners, she shows respect (whakaute) to adults and her peers, and has really developed in confidence.

Senior: Kotelia P - for consistently displaying all LEARN values. The standard and quality of her work is exceptional. She also demonstrates excellence on the sports field. Kotelia is amazing at kapa haka, she has beautiful manners and is an all round wonderful human.



Nga mihi nui, Anna Powrie Principal@karaka.school.nz

Enrolments for 2024

Whether you are in zone or out of zone, it's always great for us to know your intentions for the following year. Out of zone enrolment applications close on Wednesday 11th October, with a ballot date set for Wednesday 18th October. Enrolment applications are now online through our website

http://www.karaka.school.nz/school-info/enrolment/

Scholastic Lucky Book

Issue 3 orders have arrived and will be sent home with your children this week.

The Issue 4 catalogue is out now. All orders for this issue are due on Wednesday 14th June. Please order online via <u>mybookclub.scholastic.co.nz</u> or the Book Clubs Loop App. Once this is set up, it makes any future orders quick and easy. Thank you.

Returning 2022 Trophies

Please start returning any 2022 Ag Day trophies to the office. Trophies are to be polished, please do not use Silvo - Hagerlys is recommended.

Well done Melody!

We would love to share Melody's good news that she gained 2nd overall (2nd balance beam/3rd vault/bar/ floor) of WAG Step 2 over for Counties Manukau Gymnastics competition after five years hard work.



Welcome to Karaka School

Welcome to:

Manhar S

Henry E



Change of Clothes

With the change of weather and muddy fields, it would be great if those wishing to play on the field bring a change of clothes. Also if your child is sent home in spare clothes, can these please be returned to the office once cleaned.



Thank you to everyone who supported the Scholastic Book Fair last week.

We really appreciate your support. With the funds raised, we will be able to purchase new resources for our library and school.

An extra special thank you to the parent volunteers who helped ensure the fair ran smoothly.



GODFATHER

To The woods



16th September 2023

Sponsorship — do you have a contact within a business? Each year Ag Day is generously supported by businesses and the school community. We would love to hear from anyone with contacts who may be able to support us in some way.

Animals—If you would like to have an animal and don't know where to start, you can contact Richard Mansell 021 463173.

Projects—All children who are not able to bring an animal are required to complete a Growing (Succulent Garden) or Construction/Art project (Papier Mache Animal). Information about these projects is in the Info booklet.

Set Up Day—Friday 15th September is our set up day at school from 9am. If you are able to help out on this day, it would be much appreciated.

Next Meeting-13th June 7.00pm in the staffroom. All welcome

Chicken Order Forms DUE BACK FRIDAY 23RD JUNE Cost \$10.00 each Order form in information booklet



PTA News

ART EXPO

We are holding our Art Expo again this year in week 9 - Week of 19-23 June! Our teachers and students are busy working on their masterpieces. They can't wait to show you all their amazing efforts!

ART EXPO RAFFLE ITEMS

We are running some raffles alongside the Art Expo. If anyone is able to donate, please let the PTA know. Anything is greatly appreciated. Thank you for your on-going support

SUSHI FRIDAYS

Place your orders by 8pm Thursday, to have sushi delivered for Friday lunchtime. Online orders can be made at <u>https://sushiwakimchef.co.nz</u>.

FRIDAY TUCK SHOP

The Tuck Shop will be open this Friday morning from 8.15am to 8.45am in the school hall. We have lots of your old favourites like Moosies, Juicies and Cookie Time Cookies, as well as some new snacks for you to try.



COOL CARS

Do you have an amazing or unique vehicle sitting in your garage? Or know of someone with a rad vehicle? For example, an American police car, a Fire engine, Muscle Car, Classic Car or hot rod? Please let the PTA know for an upcoming fundraising event - please contact Kirsty @ krclark2009@gmail.com

PTA

Our next meeting is scheduled for Monday 26th June at 7pm in the school staff room. All are welcome! If you are interested in attending, please email kateyapope@gmail.com

Any questions/fundraising ideas or if you require uniform items urgently, you can email us on karaka.pta@gmail.com.

Reminder Dates

9 June	ECCS Mathex Competition
9 June	Assembly 1.50pm
12-16 June	Intermediate Sports Camp
19-23 June	PTA Art Expo
20 June	Tough Guy & Gal Competition in Hamilton
22 June	School Cross Country
23 June	School Cross Country (Save Day)
26-30 June	Year 5/6 Camp
15 September	Setting up for Ag Day
16 September	Ag Day (this is a school day)

Community Notices

School Fundraising Shop NZ

https://

www.schoolfundraisingshop.org.nz/

The School Fundraising Shop is an online shop assisting the fundraising efforts of Parents and Teachers Associations (PTA) of schools across New Zealand. You shop, and they will donate to us!

When you make a purchase, at checkout, select Karaka School from

the dropdown menu. They will then donate 10% the total amount of your order to us. It's as easy as that!



Young at Art

'Young at Art offer Children's. Teens & Adult Art classes in Pukekohe. Our Winter holiday workshops are open for booking (Papier Mache, Acrylic & Watercolour Painting, Collage and Dreamcatcher workshops). Term 3 after school classes are open for booking in groups for children aged 6-9yrs, 9-12yrs and 13yrs+. Term 3 also offers a special Watercolour 4 week course for teens and tweens. If there is no space in your chosen class, please email Anna to join the waiting list we often have an odd spot come up at the beginning of term. Adult workshops include a Family Dreamcatchers (adult and child), Watercolours Lillies. Resin Art & Resin Cheeseboards and Acrylic Painting. For more information or to book please check out: http:// www.youngatart.co.nz/ /

email: <u>admin@youngatart.co.nz</u>.

Bookings are essential as places are limited'.



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