



Karaka School

EMBRACING LEARNING. BUILDING RESILIENCE. ACHIEVING EXCELLENCE.

"Ka whangaia, ka tupu, ka puawai."

No. 17 14th June 2023

Principal's Note

Newsletter

Week 8, Term 2 2023

Kia ora and welcome to this week's newsletter.

CELEBRATING LEARNING & ACHIEVEMENT

Kia ora Karaka friend and whānau,

I hope everyone is enjoying the combination of the sunny, yet frosty mornings. I've enjoyed blowing steam into the air and rubbing my hands together with the kids on the gate in the mornings. This morning was especially exciting (and super early) in my household as my daughter reached 'double digits' today - she informs me this is an extremely important milestone and to be fair, I have to agree despite the fact that like every parent I am left wondering where the 10 years has gone!

Next, I want to say a big thank you for your understanding and support yesterday when we were forced to close early due to a power outage. This was a first for me, and the fact that parents and caregivers would have to be called away from work early did weigh heavily on my mind. However, when it became a health and safety issue with no running water, the decision in essence was taken out of our hands. I do want to specifically acknowledge and thank My Dyer, Mrs Thorby and Mrs Withers for their help with organisation and communications yesterday. I was at a Beginning Principals Course (and missed the middle part due to being on the phone to school/Ministry/Board etc!!) but I felt so comforted to know that they had everything in hand back at school. My Dyer even stayed until power was fully restored - and at about 4:30pm he was able to do a walk round and ensure everything was turned on/off as needed... and that all toilets were flushed!!! What a fabulous team we have at our kura!

On Monday we saw our Year 7&8 students off to Sports Camp in Matamata. I have already seen a couple of posts come through from Mr Glover and Mrs Sutton on HERO and it looks like they have had a great first few days. I'm sure the energy levels may be waning a bit by the time they return on Friday...!!

We also have another couple of outdoor events coming up next week:

Tuesday: 60 students in Years 3-6 will be travelling to Ngāruawāhia to compete in the Tough Guy & Girl challenge (otherwise known as the 'Mud Run').

Thursday: we have our school Cross Country at 9am and our students have been training for this all term. Save day is Friday although at this stage the weather look all go for Thursday.

Congratulations to our Good News Call of the Week recipients who have all demonstrated our Karaka School LEARN Values over this past week. We are so proud of these super star students - tino pai rawa!!!!

Junior: Jena - For consistently working hard in all areas of the curriculum and tackling all challenges with a positive attitude. She is kind and polite towards all members of the class and always has a big smile on her face.

Middle: Cohen - For showing our school value of learning. Cohen has been trying really hard in all areas of his learning at school and has been working hard at home. Cohen has also shown our value of nurture this term offering to help our new learner in class find his way. I have seen Cohen helping to tie shoelaces, stick in worksheets and offering help in completing tasks without any prompting at all.



Senior: Tom - Tom is a diligent student that continuously strives for excellence across all areas of his education. Tom is kind and courteous and consistently displays all of the school values. Although he supports the Eels, Tom has recently learnt that it is important to be adaptable and that it is alright to support the Warriors. Tom recently scored 100% in a Level 5 Maths test.

Have a great rest of the week - we look forward to our Year 7&8 students returning somewhat exhausted on Friday (along with Mr Glover and Mrs Sutton).

Nga mihi nui,

Anna Powrie

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CELEBRATING SUCCESS

PRINCIPAL AND CLASS AWARDS: Prior to the assembly each teacher chooses students who have displayed our school values. The following students have received either a Principal or Class award in relation to our LEARN values.

Class	Principal Award	Class Award 1	Class Award 2
Kotare	Cooper G	Erick Y	
Kapowai	Isabella F	Evie R	Sophie C
Tui	Sadie P	Shelby E	Izzy G
Ruru	Orla C	Luke R	Georgia S
Pateke	Alfie W	Amaya G	Tapaita T
Pukeko	Izna K	Khylan T	Tomas S
Mokomoko	Ayden V	Charlotte T	Harshaan S
Kokako	Hazel G	Tua S	Qasim H
	Indie P	Sebastian B	Richard R
		Jack C	Sienna W
Mangopare		Josie H	Lucas H
	Mac Muirhead	Daniel G	



These learners have been identified 16 times demonstrating one of the school values to achieve the matching certificates. Once all 5 certificates are achieved they then earn their Kereru badge.

Learning	Excellence	Adaptability	Respect	Nurture
Mikayla C	Emily B	Jezelle C	Elizabeth C	
Carter C	Mikyala C	Max N	Libby W	
Cooper R	Hudson C	Katrien H	Martin S-R	
Emma R	Jena P		Jake M	
Tua S			Lily M	
Tom P			Dan P	
Ella H			Ruhaani S	
Zoe M				
Jack H				
Ethan B				



E.C.C.S. MATHEX

Well done to all the students who represented Karaka School today at the E.C.C.S. Mathex event, held out at Ardmore School. The students worked together to problem solve and answer as many maths questions as they could in 30 minutes. They all competed to an extremely high standard and we couldn't be more proud of them and what they achieved today.

Congratulations to the Year 7 Karaka Red team (Daniel P, Madison L, Tom P and Grace M) who placed 'Runners Up' in a very exciting 3 way tie breaker competition. A big thank you to Josie and Brooklyn who filled in at such short notice.

Thanks to the parents who helped transport students and help as markers on the day. We really appreciated your help.

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/>

Term 2 Illness and Medication

- A reminder that at this time of year there are lots of bugs about. To help stop the spread, please keep your child home if they are unwell and ensure 24 hours have passed before sending your child to school after a stomach upset.
- Please be aware that all medication administered to a child must be brought to the office in the first instance. Medication must not be taken to the classroom or put in your child's lunchbox. A signed request/ medical form must be provided before medication will be administered by staff. Please call into the office to sign this form. A full copy of the Medication Policy can be found on the School docs website: <http://karaka.schooldocs.co.nz/1893.htm> Enter the username (karaka) and password (school) - Follow the link to the relevant policy.
- Hand washing is the simplest and most effective means to prevent, control and reduce infection. This includes colds, influenza and stomach bugs. Hands need to be washed and dried properly. Wet hands transfer bacteria more readily than dry hands which have not been washed at all.

Have you remembered to pay your bus fees, Athletics fees, technology fees and class stationery consumables?

The school has already paid these outside providers. Your payment of any outstanding accounts would be greatly appreciated.

AG DAY

16th September 2023

Ponies—Due to previous low numbers could we please have an urgent expression of interest, whether you are intending on entering a pony on Ag Day. We need a minimum of 5 ponies entered for this category to go ahead. Please email kyllet@karaka.school.nz by Friday 16th June.

Next Meeting— Tuesday 18th July at 7.00pm in the staffroom. All welcome!

**Chicken Order Forms
DUE BACK NEXT
FRIDAY 23RD JUNE**

Cost \$10.00 each

[Chicken order form](#)



ART EXPO

We are holding our Art Expo again this year in week 9 - Week of 19-23 June! **NEXT WEEK!** Our teachers and students are busy working on their masterpieces. They can't wait to show you all their amazing efforts! Please check out our poster attached for further details.

ART EXPO RAFFLE ITEMS

Please check out our raffle items on display in the office all packaged up. Tickets available now - \$2 each or 3 for \$5 - For sale now. Thanks to Harvey Norman & Arty Farty for your corporate donations. Thank you for our communities on-going support.



SUSHI FRIDAYS

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

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

Thank you to those who have expressed interest with their cool cars. If anyone else knows of anyone with an amazing car - 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.

Come and join in the fun at our spectacular ART EXHIBITION!

Our classes have been busy creating beautiful masterpieces and are now ready to reveal them to you! You're sure to enjoy this exciting event so don't forget the details.

When: 20th – 23rd June

Where: Karaka School Hall


Time: 8.15am – 9.00am & 2.30pm – 3.00pm

You can support our fundraising goals by purchasing a quality A3 picture frame to fit your child's masterpiece. \$20 gets your child's original piece of art in a classic black frame.

There are raffle tickets and rock painting kits available for purchase at the school office.



ART EXHIBITION



**Support your PTA
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•Includes 5 x Finesse Acrylic Paint Markers
•6 x Flat Decorative Rocks to paint
•10% discount code from www.artyfarty.biz

PENCIL CASES \$5 each (limited quantities available, get in early!)
Raffle Tickets \$2 each or 3 for \$5



ART EXHIBITION!

Raffle Tickets

Thank you to our generous donors of items and to Harvey Norman Pukekohe and to Arty Farty for corporate donations!

Tickets \$2 each or 3 for \$5, raffle drawn at assembly 23th June 2023

Pencil cases \$5 each, limited stocks

JAMMIES IN JUNE FUN RUN

It's June and that means it's time for our Jammies in June Fun Run again. Happening this Sunday at Karaka Harbourside Playground (corner Harbourside Drive & Rossini Ct).

There's a 2km and 5km route scenic walk or run around the area, perfect for prams or furry friends on a leash.

Entry fee is a new pair of kids PJ's or gold coin donation. All proceeds will go to Middlemore Foundation Jammies in June campaign. They help the local community by distributing pajamas to kids of vulnerable families in South Auckland, to keep warm and healthy.

There will be a bouncy castle, face painting, balloon twister, sausage sizzle, coffee cart, prizes for best dressed, raffle draw and so much more!

Registration is free: bit.ly/jammiesfunrun2023



SPORTS CAMP

The intermediates at Sports Camp have had a successful few days with numerous wins and a sprinkle of losses. Qualification of semis in a variety of sports are looking good and we will let you all know as soon as we find out what semi finals we're in for Thursday.

PYJAMA AND ONESIE MUFTI DAY

Friday 23rd June

Gold coin donation
All proceeds to go to Year 5
and 6 camp



Reminder Dates

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)
23 June	PJ Mufti Day for Year 5/6 Camp fundraising
26-30 June	Year 5/6 Camp
30 June	Last day of term 2 (normal finish time 2.45pm)
17 July	First day of term 3
15 September	Setting up for Ag Day
16 September	Ag Day (this is a school day)

Community Notices



Artz on Show School Holiday Performing Arts Workshop

This is a fun yet educational week for students aged 5 – 15 years.

Students participate in a range of performing arts classes, concluding the week with a performance!

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Any questions please contact our office on 09 236 4078

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Winter 2023 Holiday Programme

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<p>Monday 3rd July PJ Day Kickstart the holidays with fun, laughter and games in your oodie or pyjamas! Wear your slippers too for our fancy feet catwalk!</p>  <p>\$37</p>	<p>Tuesday 4th July Elemental Science Fire, water, earth & wind! We're doing experiments and activities based around the elements - toast marshmallows, make kites and so much more!</p>  <p>\$37</p>	<p>Wednesday 5th July Trip Day Event Cinemas Manukau We're off to enjoy our very own special showing of:</p>  <p>Elemental</p> <p>Order movie food using the 'Comments' section online. REGURE Finalising your booking Movies subject to change</p> <p>\$60</p>	<p>Thursday 6th July Inhouse Tutor Cake Decorating Learn new skills to make your baking look even more scrumptious! Design & make a yummy cupcake & cookie to take home!</p>  <p>\$45</p>	<p>Friday 7th July KAS Bingo Come along to play this classic game you know & love! Have fun - call a line or even 'BINGO' to win prizes Plus bingo art & dodgeball!</p>  <p>\$37</p>
<p>Monday 10th July Balloon Mania! Get artistic and try your hand at making funky balloon creations! Balloon sculpting, balloon crafts plus balloon sports & games!</p>  <p>\$37</p>	<p>Tuesday 11th July KAS Pizzeria Mamma mia it's pizza time! Mix up the dough, choose your topping combination and then enjoy your pizza masterpiece!</p>  <p>\$45</p>	<p>Wednesday 12th July Inhouse Tutor Hip Hop Move, shake & groove with the awesome tutors from Groovit! Learn cool hip hop moves and put on a mini performance!</p>  <p>\$50</p>	<p>Thursday 13th July Snowball Disco Ice, ice, baby - dress up in wintery themed clothing and warm up with funny snowball, snowman & snowflake games plus prizes for best dressed!</p>  <p>\$37</p>	<p>Friday 14th July</p> <p>KAS Closed Matariki Day</p>

Programmes Available:
Main Programme: 8am to 3pm
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