EMBRACING LEARNING. BUILDING RESILIENCE. ACHIEVING EXCELLENCE.

Karaka School

#### No. 19 28th June 2023 Principal's Note

#### Week 10, Term 2 2023

"Ka whangaia, ka tupu, ka puawai."

Kia ora koutou and welcome to this week's newsletter.

Newsletter

#### CELEBRATING LEARNING & ACHIEVEMENT

It's hard to believe we're in the last week of what has been a very busy term. For me, it is the 'last week of my first term' here at Karaka School - and I have loved every minute of it (despite the feeling it has rushed past so quickly!). Thank you to all the students, staff, parents, caregivers and whānau who have taken the time to introduce themselves to me, chat to me in passing before/after school, or even taken the time to talk via email or a phone call. I have been made to feel very welcome here and for that, I'm extremely grateful.

To end the week on a high (and to no doubt end the term on Friday feeling exhausted) about 60 of our Kokako students headed off to Camp Bentzon on Kawau Island on Monday, along with Mrs Redshaw, Mr Dyer and a group of keen (and brave) parents. They have a whole lot of exciting activities planned such as kayaking, abseiling, archery and more. We've had a couple of updates so far and they are having an amazing time. It also looks like they'll be lucky with the weather this week which is an added bonus. We look forward to hearing all about it when they return on Friday.

Last week the PTA ran our fabulous Art Expo - many thanks to all those who volunteered to make the event run smoothly from the set up/pack down to the sales before and after school. The calibre of the student's artwork was exceptional; I was blown away by the creativity and care that went into those pieces of art from both the students, and the teachers who guided and supported them throughout the process. We look forward to seeing how much money was raised by this event for the PTA. Thank you to those who have already completed the survey I put out last week about the redirection of the 2022 Ag Day funds - over 60 responses so far. Please get this filled out by 3pm this Friday if you haven't had a chance already; one of my holiday jobs is to collate all the information so it can be presented at the next Ag Day Meeting early in Term 3. (Link to survey - <u>https://forms.gle/tTVwmLMsPJ62fVXJ6</u>)

And finally, a tino pai rawa to our Good News Call of the Week recipients for Week 9 (who are also sporting their favourite pjs under their beautiful korowai from last Friday!):

**Junior:** Georgia P - for always striving for excellence and completing her work to a high standard. She is a kind and thoughtful friend and very helpful, always happy to help those around her. An excellent role model and always displays the school values.

**Middle:** Ruby H - for always striving for excellence in everything she does. She is incredibly thoughtful and nurturing towards everyone she encounters, often helping and supporting others without being asked. Ruby is consistently respectful and kind and is a wonderful role model and example of a Karaka School



student. Ruby encompasses all our LEARN Values everyday. She is such a star!

**Senior:** Daniel P - for demonstrating excellence at Sports Camp, and again at ECCS Rugby on Tuesday. He also showed nurture at cross country by supporting lots of our younger learners and running alongside them, plus also demonstrating excellence when competing himself.

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

#### Roll Return Day—Thursday (tomorrow) 29th June

If your child is absent on this day, can the office be provided with a note (either via email, Hero, our website or written).

This happens twice a year and is a Ministry requirement.

# Karaka School Cross Country 2023

Cross Country Placings		1st	st 2nd 3rd		
Year 0	Boys	Manhar S			
	Girls	Isla H	Sophie J	Evie R	
Year 1	Boys	Parker P	Cohen H	Cooper G	
rear 1	Girls	Chloe D	Kate A	Georgia P	
Voor 2	Boys	Taiks N	Hunter C	Luke R	
Year 2	Girls	Frankie B	Annabelle C	Sofia R	
Year 3	Boys	Boston P	Bill G	Brodie V	
Year 3	Girls	Nicola S	Fitimoka P	Samira S	
VeerA	Boys	James R	Oscar W	Cohen C	
Year 4	Girls	Charlotte T	Leilani S	Ruby H	
Year 5	Boys	Jack A	Ayaan K	Lehan vR	
Year 5	Girls	Chloe S	Emma M	Melody C	
Veer	Boys	Cooper R	Charlie T	Max N	
Year 6	Girls	Ella H	Kotelia P	Indie P	
Year 7	Boys	Daniel P	Tom P	Kieran D	
rear /	Girls	Olivia P	Kaylee S	Charlee C	
Year 8	Boys	Toby C	Harry S	Jake M	
	Girls	Paikea H-F	Mikayla C	Charlotte E	

Some highlights from a very successful day:

- The rain stopped and allowed us to complete cross country
- The senior students demonstrating nurture by helping the younger students and their peers run around the course
- The Intermediate students warming up the runners prior to the event
- Students cheering and supporting each other on to do their best
- Every student completing the course to the best of their ability
- Karaka School staff who enabled the day to run smoothly
- All the adult volunteer photographers and marshals who helped out around the course

Karaka School has selected a squad of 55 Year 5-8 students to train for the E.C.C.S. Cross Country event. This event will be held at Te Puru on Tuesday 1st August (Week 3), with the Save Day on Friday 4th August. The E.C.C.S. Cross Country team will be selected in Week 1 of Term 3.





Daniel G competed in the iBuilt Junior Tour for road cycling last weekend. He had five races over two days and finished in the top 10. Congratulations Dan!

#### ECCS Under 45kg Rugby Team



# **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			
Kapowai			
Tui	Zoe M	Taiks N	Josh B
Ruru	Amelia C	Edie W	Eddie G
Pateke	Thea P	Kyle C	Carter S
Pukeko	Leilani S	Oscar W	Marshall K
Mokomoko	Storee F	Kingston D	Parker OK
Κοκακο	Chloe S	Logan B	William M
	Kotelia P	Cooper R	Lehan V
	Frankie G	Cameron B	Charlyn R
Mangopare	Kaylee S	Toby C	Charlee C
	Harry	Olivia	Archer



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			
Rory R	Ruby H	Cohen C		Leilani S			
Harry M	Rory R	Ella H		Georgia B			
	Frankie B	Ella S					
	Annabelle C	Ruhaani S					
	Zoe M	Dan P					
	Sadie P						
	Amelie H						

Welcome to Karaka School -

Cooper G

Jaxon C



#### ICAS Exams 2023

Dear Karaka Whanau,

Karaka School will provide the opportunity for learners in Year 3-8 to compete in ICAS Exams during Term 3 in English, Mathematics and Science. Participation is voluntary. There is a cost of \$20.70 for each exam. Please see the letter shared on HERO for more details or visit the office for a paper copy.

If you would like your child to participate, visit <u>https://</u> <u>shop.icasassessments.com/pages/pps</u>. Use school access code: **RKP111** 

Sign up before 31st July. Contact Mr Dyer with any essential questions :)

#### Woodchip/Mulch Required

We are turning the old Junior Playground next to Mokomoko into a Creative Play Zone where learners can build, create and play with a range of materials. Before we can do this, we need to fill it with wood chip / mulch so it can be used year round. If you have access to FREE woodchip / mulch, please email Mr Dyer (johnd@karaka.school.nz) Thanks!

#### Have you remembered to pay your Bus fees, Mathletics and Education Perfect fees, Technology fees, Class Stationery Consumables and Camp fees?

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

#### **Enrolments for 2024**

The Board resolved on 12th June upon consultation from the Ministry that we would NOT be accepting any out of zone enrollment applications apart from those that fall within Priority 2-5 categories (please refer to our Website).

For forward planning, if your child lives in zone and is starting next year, please can you complete the online enrollment application (also found on our Website).



## 16th September 2023

Chickens: Chickens will be arriving Friday 21st July.

Home Projects: The Papier Mache Animal can be ANY animal you choose.

**Ponies:** Just a reminder there are no ponies this year due to lack of expressed interest. We will review this next year..

**Book Stall:** We are having a book stall again this year. Dates for book drop off to school will be in the newsletter next term. School holidays could be a good time to sort out those bookshelves.

**Calf Opportunity:** Chris and Sally Guy would like to offer the opportunity for children to have a calf for Ag Day. The farm is located directly opposite Karaka School, with the entrance to the milking shed from Karaka Road. Chris will select the calves with the children from the herd which will be put into a shed next to the milking shed where the children are required to come to feed, groom and walk their calves. Milk will be provided onsite daily.

What is required: maximum 4 children, at least 2 senior students, calves must be fed daily between 2.45-3.15pm. Calves must be fed on weekends as well however feeds may be done between 12-4pm. Children must be supervised by a parent/guardian while onsite. A course will be set up on site for the children to practice leading their calves through. Families must bring a halter, lead and brush.

In addition if anyone is interested in raising a beef calf there are some available. These would be either purchased or returned to the farm after Ag Day.

**Little Guys** would like to offer their help to feed and care for lambs during the day so that they can be fed while families are at work. We can take a maximum of four lambs. All milk, and bottles would need to be supplied daily. Drop off and pick up times are from 8am to 4.30pm.

Email Karaka reception if you are interested in any of the above and either Chris or Sally will be in touch.

**Animal Stuff:** Please support Animal Stuffs Drury as they have kindly donated food starter packs for students to take home when their chickens arrive. Animal Stuffs stores (Drury, Takanini and Waiuku) have been offering support and sponsorship to local schools for many years. They will also be supporting us by providing vouchers which we will use as part of prize packs on Ag Day.

#### Next Meeting: CHANGE OF DATE NOW TUESDAY 25TH JULY at 7.00pm

in the staffroom. All welcome.





# PTA News

### Art Expo

The PTA would like to express their gratitude to everyone who supported our Art Expo last week. A big thank you goes out to the teachers for their fabulous art ideas, which inspired our kids to create such amazing artwork. We are immensely grateful to the parents who generously volunteered their time and effort to set up, run and pack down the expo over the week. Your hard work behind the scenes ensured that everything ran smoothly, and we couldn't have done it without you.

To the parents who took the time to attend the event, your presence meant the world to us. We would also like to extend our thanks to Strathallan, Papakura Art Gallery and Papakura Picture Framers for lending us their art easels. Additionally, a special mention goes to Arty Farty and Harvey Norman for their generous donations towards our raffle. Last but not least, congratulations to Mare V for winning the raffle at the assembly on Friday.

If you were unable to make it to the expo you are still able to view and purchase your child's artwork up until the end of this week. Our Art Expo is a rare event, occurring only once every three years, and it holds significant sentimental value as a keepsake of your child's primary school journey over the years. Please email <u>karaka.pta@gmail.com</u> if you would like to purchase your childs/childrens artwork, beautifully framed, for only \$20.00. Please note that any unsold artwork will not be sent home.

There is also a small amount of "Rock Art" kits available at the office to purchase for \$20.00. Rock painting with acrylic paint pens is a great, mess free activity for the kids to do over the school holidays.

Once again, thank you to each and every one of you for your invaluable contributions. Your support and involvement made our Art Expo a resounding success.

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

#### Sushi Fridays

Unfortunately Sushi Wa Kim has been struggling with staff shortages and as a result this Friday, 30th of June will be the last day for sushi orders. Sushi Wa Kim would like to thank the Karaka School community for supporting their business over the past 12 months.

#### **New Members**

The PTA are always looking for new members, new fundraising ideas and anyone willing and able to assist with events. If this is something you might be able to help with, we would love to hear from you.

Email <u>karaka.pta@gmail.com</u> to be added to our email list or to find out more about what we do. Our next meeting is on **Monday, 24th July at 7pm** in the staffroom.

**Uniform Shop—**Open Monday mornings 8.15am—9.00am

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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!



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# **Reminder** Dates

- **30 June** Last day of Term 2 (normal finish time 2.45pm)
- **17 July** First day of Term 3
- **17 July** BOT meeting 5.00pm
- 24 July PTA meeting 7.00pm
- 25 July Ag Day meeting 7.00pm
- **28 July** Assembly
- **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!

3 - 7 July 2023, 9 am – 4 pm daily Held at Karaka War Memorial Hall 319 Linwood Road, Karaka *View our website; www.artzonshow.co.nz or contact Hayley on either artz@artzonshow.co.nz or 09 294 7129* 



#### Winter Holiday Programme

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Any questions please contact our office on 09 236 4078 MSD Social Sector Level 3 Accreditation WINZ Subsidies available for eligible families



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## **AT MyHop Service**

Great news for those under 25! From 1 July, your students can get discounted public transport fares as part of the Government's Budget 23. We've listed some of the details that might relate to your students, so you've got information if you need it.

#### Free travel for children aged 5 to 12 years

From 1 July, children aged 5 to 12 years can travel for FREE on our bus, train and ferry services.

If their date of birth for their registered HOP card falls between these ages, they are eligible for this discount.

We'll apply this discount for them, so they don't need to do anything.

### A Message from Fulton Hogan and Waka Kotahi for the Community

The **night** of **Monday 26 June**, we will **fully close (24/7) the Papakura south-bound on-ramp for up to three months**, ie through to September. In addition, the Papakura southbound off-ramp extreme right-hand turn (Karaka direction) will be fully closed (24/7) for two months.

Motorists wanting to get onto the motorway heading south will be detoured via Beach Road and Great South Road to access the motorway at Drury Interchange.



HEALTH & WELL-BEING POP UP Tuesday 4th July 7pm Karaka War Memorial Hall Linwood Rd, Karaka Bio magnetics Reflexology Bowen Therapy mBIT Natural Remedies EFT-tapping Massage Hynotherapy Chiropractic Therapy ..... and more

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