

ISSUE 1

Special Points of

Interest:

- School Lunches ~ moosies/juicies \$1.00 ea Tuesdays/Thursdays
- EFTPOS is available in the school office. There will be **NO CASH OUT** or Credit Card facility and there is a minimum purchase of \$2.00
- Board of Trustees email address: bot@arakura.school.nz
- School Cellphone 0278193283
- Find us on Facebook and "LIKE" to get updates from the school - www.facebook.com



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ARAKURA SCHOOL



Newsletter Date

Friday 12th February 2016

"The Best for All Students"

Greetings ~ Kia Ora, Talofa Lava, Kia Orana, Malo E Lelei, Fakalofa Lahi Atu, Ni Sa, Bula Vanaka, Taloha Ni and Welcome!

Dear Parents/Caregivers

Welcome to New Pupils ~ Ezekiel Taualofa, Orlando Hendrix and Jeremiah Sakalia, Trey and Peyton Symonds, Keziah Hetherington, Niesha Griggs, Brooklyn Campbell, Taj Toa, Kaitiaki Rapira, Summer Gage, Jesse Gardner, Daniel Te Matakau, Shania Hatata, Kingston Nepia, Jessica -Anne Williams, Elektra and Lucian Kelly, Tawhai and Tiriti Te Kani-Rawiri and Alexanda Takao.

2016 Stationery ~ Thank you to those parents who have purchased their stationery to date. Teachers would appreciate it, if all children could have their stationery requirements by next week.

Activities Charge 2016 ~ \$35.00 per child will cover swimming transport, Move and Improve Gym programme, Life Education visit, Pool fun day and one school trip. This can be paid at the school office, EFTPOS or you can setup an automatic payment to pay it off during the year.

Notices ~ Last week you should have received Class notices, Touch, Netball and Cricket permissions and Whanau Meet and Greet evening. If not copies are at the school office.

Photo Permissions ~ Have you completed a form giving permission for the school to use photos of students participating in activities, engaging in learning and examples of students' work on our facebook page/website. If you have not completed this and returned to the school could you please arrange to do this at the school office.

Asthma Action Plans ~ If you have identified your child as being an asthmatic on their enrolment form please read on. Our Public Health Nurse has advised that we need an "Action Plan" for each student with asthma. Please see you doctor and arrange for an Action Plan to be completed.

Sunsmart ~ Please ensure your child has sunscreen applied at home in the morning. **All** children will be given a sunhat, kindly donated by **KIDSCAN**, which they will be encouraged to wear at school and to keep them in their classrooms.

Building Bridges Assemblies ~ Every Friday there will be a prize draw for children who have been given a gold card during the course of the fortnight. Last week's winners: Bryon Taumata for always making good choices in class, Charlotte Brosnahan for keeping our school tidy by picking up rubbish, Keisha Stevenson-Kennedy for being a fantastic helper planting sunflowers, Megan Brinfield for great singing. This week's winners: Mikayla Brosnahan for being helpful to others and trying hard to listen and follow instructions on the mat, Kayla Little for a great 1st day back at school, Blake O'Connor for being a good role model to others.

Dates to Remember (See our website arakura.school.nz for all dates)

Saturday 13th February	Netball starts
Monday 15th	Whanau Meet and Greet BBQ picnic, 5 - 7 pm
Wed. 17th	ASB Getwise Programme - Rm 5/1/6/4
Fri. 19th	ASB Getwise Programme - Rm 9/10/7/2
	Touch Rugby starts - still spaces available (see Miss Maxey)

School News



Civil Defence Supplies ~ We ask that each child bring a non-perishable food item for our Civil Defence food supplies. We are currently replenishing our stocks. If your child has special dietary requirements could you please label your child's food item with their name and this will be separated from the other food.

ASB School Banking ~ Banking day is every Wednesday. If you would like your child to start banking you can pick up an enrolment form from the school office.

Mark Kibblewhite, Principal

Community Section

Arakura Kindergarten Garage Sale ~ 8am till 11 am on Saturday 12th March at the kindy, if anyone has any donations that they are wanting to give; old clothing, toys, kitchenware etc. If they are brought down to the kindy in session times, any questions contact Ph 920 9806.

Wainuiomata Fruit and Vege Co-op ~ Bringing healthy food to our neighbour hood for just \$10 per week. Pay \$10 a week in advance and then collect on Tuesdays between 4 - 5 pm. Forms at school office.

Calling All OLD Mobile Phones ~ It's that time again to rummage around in your drawers and toy boxes and bring into School any unwanted mobile phones you may have at home. It is estimated that each year up to three million phones become obsolete in NZ, of those only 2% are recycled. Phones collected help our Arakura School gain valuable rewards and the environment benefits as well keeping our landfills free of mobile phones and their array of hazardous toxic substances. Please drop any unwanted mobile phones you may have in the collection box in the school office.

Parent Help are looking for committed people to become part of our team of Telephone Support Workers. Training starts on March 5th. Become a Telephone Support Worker ~ As a Telephone Support Worker you will be trained to provide support for parents calling our Helpline. You can work from home at times that suit you. All you need is a couple of hours every week, or fortnight, and a private space to listen to callers. Initial training is comprehensive: once trained and "on the line" Telephone Support Workers are given on-going support, monthly clinical supervision and professional development. Our perfect support worker will be an understanding and empathetic listener with excellent communication and English language skills; who is able to be non-judgemental, flexible, reliable and self-motivated. **Benefits of the role** ~ A Telephone Support Worker has: an opportunity to develop and enhance skills and knowledge in listening and communication, expressing empathy, child and adolescent development, child abuse and parenting. You can expect to be treated with respect and to be supported in building your experience, knowledge and skills in a professional manner. It is hoped that each person who works for Parent Help will be personally enriched by their involvement. **Training details** ~ Start date: Saturday 5 March 2016 9.30am - 4pm for 5 Saturdays spread over 9 weeks at Level 4, 173-175 Victoria Street, Wellington. For more information please contact Natalie Shearer; email admin@parenthelp.org.nz or phone (04) 802 5767.

Relocation Sale - Everything must go by 21st March ~ 475L Haier fridge, 8.5 kg LG Fuzzy Logic washing machine, 6kg Haier Dryer with wall mount, 358L Fisher & Paykel chest freezer, Panasonic Inverter - Microwave/oven/grill, Juicer, Breville Aroma style coffee perk, floor mounted home gym, Silhouette Cameo Electronic Cutting Tool, Netgear wifi booster, 6-8 seater extendable oval table with 7 mismatched chairs, Black leather 3 seat couch & 2 chairs, large right-hand corner computer desk with shelves, black leather executive chair, 4 x book shelves, 1 freestanding wardrobe, Queen size Sleepyhead Chancery Bed with head board, Bedroom suite with tallboy, dresser, 2 bedside tables, assorted sets of drawers and smaller shelves, children's books, adult novels, toys, gardening tools, 2 x bedside lamps, 1 x floor lamp, Sandwich press, Muffin/cupcake cooker, rice cooker, crockery, cutlery, serving bowls and more. Viewing by appointment please phone or txt Jenny on 022 184 0785.

"At Arakura School we focus on the individual needs of the student"



Arakura School Mission Statement

In partnership with our community, we will provide a caring, educational environment which will recognise uniqueness; provide opportunities and encourage co-operation.

