

ARAKURA SCHOOL



Special Points of

Interest:

- School lunches available Tuesdays and Thursdays only
- 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/arakuraschool



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Newsletter Date

Thursday 23rd October 2014

"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

~ Ricco Kahukuranui to Room Four; Deakin Anderson, Flynn Bartley to Room Ten; Danni-Maire Godfrey-Tubman, Hunter Pairama to Room Seven; Bryson Lewis, Krista Henderson-Williams, Julie Heke to Room Nine; and Zayian Teepa to Room Four.

Production ~ Thanks you to everyone who attended the evening performances of the school production "The Red Carpet". We had 118 families attend which was a fantastic turnout. Many thanks also to the parents who helped out on the nights, your help was much appreciated by the staff.

School Gates ~ Please refrain from opening the gates and driving into the school grounds. We are trying to keep the gates closed due to a new pupil enrolled at our school.

Abacus Fundraiser ~ Please find enclosed with this newsletter information for our Art/Photo fundraiser. All students will be completing a piece of art in class, which you can view before placing an order for either a calendar, cards, diary or a notepad. Alternatively you can use one of your own photos, which can be uploaded to Abacus' website www.abacus.co.nz. Orders and payment must be received at school by Wednesday 5th November.

50th Jubilee ~ Next year we will be celebrating our 50th and would like as many past pupils, teachers and principals involved. Please spread the word and visit our Jubilee Facebook page to be kept up to date with developments www.facebook.com/



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.

End of Term Three winners were: Byron Taumata for showing good leadership, Tayje Nessling Papara for making good choices, Makaio Taumata for working hard to create a great attitude for learning, Rangitawhaki Rua for sitting like a superstar when our visitors arrived, Jahvarn Reihana-Kepa for putting in great effort when practising our production dance, Poppy Dickson for challenging herself and working on her goals, Kaymon Duxfield for awesome singing. Last week's winners were: Xavier Mason for trying hard to show respect by listening to the teacher, Rylee Terrill, Aaronaye Lyttle, Krew Mason for keeping the school clean.

Immunisations ~ Please send a copy of your child's immunisation certificate to the school office if you have not already done so, or if your child did not start their schooling at Arakura School as a 5 year old.

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

Monday 27th October
Tuesday 4th November
Wednesday 5th November
Friday 7th November
Monday 10th November
Monday 17th November
Tuesday 18th November
Friday 28th November

LABOUR DAY - School closed
Board of Trustees meeting 7 pm
Abacus Fundraiser orders/payments due
Senior School Athletics
Dental Van on site for three weeks
Lucky Books orders close
Inter-school Athletics
School Athletics Fun Day

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.

School Visitors ~

I would like to remind parents and caregivers about school procedures concerning visitors to school to ensure we have safe and consistent practices. The main points are: All visitors must introduce and identify themselves to the office staff on arrival. All visitors must sign in and out of the "Visitors Book" at the office. When visitors ask to see children; teachers and office staff must ensure the legitimacy of the visitor before auctioning any request. If there are any concerns, parents should make an appointment to see the teacher outside of classtime. Parents and caregivers dropping off

children at 9 am and collecting children at 3 pm are exempt from the above. However if visits are during the school day, please follow the above procedures.

Lost Property ~



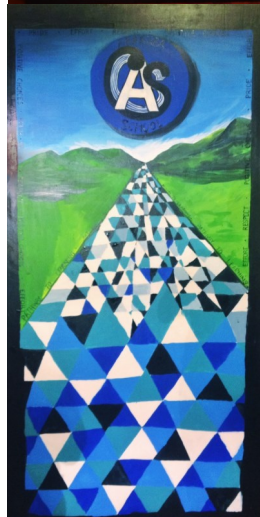
Please check the clothing bin in the hall foyer regularly.

Parking ~

Please do not park on the yellow lines outside of the school gates, or over neighbouring driveways. This obstructs the view of our Road Patrollers and makes their job more difficult. Please also refrain from driving up the school driveway.

Mark Kibblewhite,
Principal

"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.

Community Section

Wainuiomata Amateur Swimming Club ~ Learn to Swim every Monday and Wednesday, registration nights 3rd and 5th November, 6 - 7 pm for ages 5+ (bring your togs and goggles). One child or adult - \$120, two children - \$220, three or more children - \$300 (24 lessons with two fun nights).



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Autism Support Group in Wainuiomata

~ Autism NZ held a successful conference in August. The vision of Autism NZ "Looking to the Future" conference was to inform and provide a networking forum for their delegates in a pleasant, comfortable environment. Mike Grigg has been appointed an Autism Ambassador and feels privileged to have this connection. He is setting up a Wainuiomata Support Group to meet once a month. If you are interested please contact Mike ph 970 3176.