

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
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Newsletter Date

Thursday 22nd June 2017

"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 ~ Trey Turitanga, Tremayne Ngatoa, Monshana and Percēus Samuels, Kylie-Jade Douglas-Birch.

Matariki Concert ~ Thursday 29th June at Wainuiomata Intermediate. Children will be having a practice run that morning, travelling down to the Intermediate by bus at 9.45 and returning at approx. 11.30 am. The night performance seating will be available from **5:45 pm**. The performance will **start at 6.00 pm** and **finish** at approximately **7:00 pm** followed by a sausage sizzle. Please drop your child at Wainuiomata Intermediate at the classrooms where the students will prepare for their item at the right time. Please ensure you have completed and returned the permission slip and return to school by **Tuesday 27th June**. If you did not get one please contact the office. A reminder that all children need black clothing for the performance. Children will not be required to start school until **10.00 am on Friday 30th June** to give them time to recover from the late night. Teachers will be at school from 8.30 am to supervise any children who are dropped off at usual time.

Intermediate Visit ~ On Tuesday 4th July all Year Six students will be travelling by bus to Wainuiomata Intermediate from 9 - 11.30 am, for an orientation visit.

St Bernards College ~ Is running an orientation half day for Year Six boys who are considering enrolment for 2018. For further information you can get an information sheet at our school office.

Term Three Staffing ~ At the beginning of Term Three Monday 24th July, we welcome back Mrs Natalie Smith from Maternity Leave. Mrs Smith will be sharing the classroom teaching with Miss Nicola Kidner. Mrs Smith will be in Room Two Monday to Wednesday and Miss Kidner Thursday to Friday.

Arakura's Got Talent ~ Children might like to start thinking about this over the school holidays as entry forms will be available in Week One next term with heats every second assembly starting in Week Two.

Building Bridges Assemblies ~ There will be **NO assembly** this Friday due to the St Johns programme **or NEXT** Friday due to our late start: Last fortnight's winners: Megan Brinfield, Tiare Richards, Finn Madsen, Hannah Barrett. Last week's winners: Piki Roy Adams-Rikihana, Troy Walsh, Savea Tupou, Nathan Little.

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

Thursday/Friday 22nd/23rd June	St Johns Programme
Thursday 29th June	Matariki Concert, 6 pm Wainuiomata Intermediate
Friday 30th June	School will start at 10 am
Monday 3rd July	Parent/Teacher Interviews Yr 4/6
Tuesday 4th July	Year Sixes visiting the Intermediate
Tuesday 4th July	Parent/Teacher Interviews Yr 4/6
Friday 7th July	Last day of Term Two
Monday 24th July	Term Three starts
Sunday 13th August	Icon Family Portraits, \$10 sitting fee (forms at office)

School News

Kidscan Nitbuster Programme ~ We are very fortunate this year to be continuing with the Nit Buster programme, thanks to funding from Kidscan. We have a dedicated champion who is very keen to have every child in our school signed up to the programme, whether it be opting in or out of the programme. The percentage of consented children in our school is 84%, Kidscan believe for this programme to be as effective as possible consent numbers need to be over 80%. **Please ensure that you complete a consent form for your child, so this valuable programme is not lost.**

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

Board of Trustees News

PB4L - SchoolWide

A big thank you to the few of our whanau who came to our Positive Behaviour for Learning Hui yesterday. It was great to hear people showing an interest and generating discussion around creating a positive learning environment for our children.

It was disappointing to see there were so few of us there to support our wonderful teachers and Support Staff who are working so hard to build the PB4L framework for our School. If PB4L is going to be a real part of what we do at Arakura School, parents and caregivers need to make it a priority and have a say. Please make an effort to attend the future consultation meetings our staff are preparing for us. There is a link on the school Facebook page for us to complete a quick survey. It is important that you take the time to think about and let the staff know what values you want your children to be learning about at school. If you don't have access to Facebook, the link is <http://www.arakura.school.nz/values>

Maori & Pasifika Focus Group Hui

Hopefully those who attended our Hui on the 23rd of May have received the summary notes. Please make sure that you return the slip to school with the day that suits you to meet. We need this back as soon as possible so that we can organise meeting dates for next term.

Community Section

Entertainment Books ~ are on sale at Arakura School again this year. Fundraising is for the Cancer Society who receive 20% from every sale. The book pays itself off within a month if you are taking your family out occasionally, there are numerous cafes in Petone, Wellington and Lower Hutt offering two mains for the price of one. The entertainment book can be used as far as Palmerston North and the Wairarapa. Books are available at the school office now. You can also contact Maree Dickson by texting 0272787149.

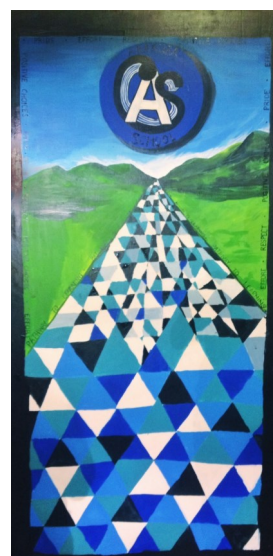
DASH Under 12's Marching Team ~ are recruiting for the 2017/18 Marching Season. Be part of the excitement of a brand new team. Training in Petone on Sunday's with competitions starting in October and a trip away to Hamilton early next year for the New Zealand Marching Championships. If you are aged between 7 and 12 and would like to try something different come along to our 'Give it a Go' day on Sunday 11 June, 12noon – 2pm at Petone Central School, Britannia Street, Petone. No experience required. Fees are \$100 and can be paid by weekly instalments. Any questions please call or text us on 021 060 0653 or message us via our Facebook Page (DASH Under 12 Marching Team).

“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.

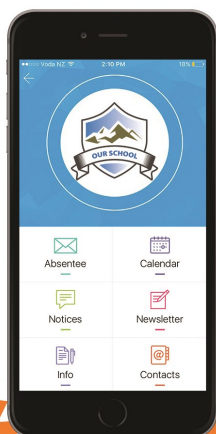


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