



Merry Christmas



Karapiro School

Together we grow

Mission Statement

Whakatupu tahi tatou. Together we grow.

Vision Statement

Karapiro School will be a safe and happy environment where all learners are supported by dedicated staff, families and community to continually strive, persevere and achieve their very best, in all aspects of learning.

NEWSLETTER

"PANUI"

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4 December, Term 4 Week 9, Roll 105

Kia ora ki nga whānau me nga hoa o te kura tuatahi o Karapiro. Greetings to all families and friends of Karapiro School.

Greetings of the holidays season to you all!

It is hard to believe that we are in the final school weeks of 2017. This has certainly been an action packed year with so many new opportunities for our Karapiro School students.

It has been exciting to watch our students compete recently at the rural and town schools' athletics events. Our students have participated and competed with real effort and taken pride in representing our school.

I was very impressed to attend the Rotary Cambridge Primary Schools' Speech Contest recently to see our Grace and Olivia compete. The judges appreciated Grace's 'gentle humour and entertaining delivery' and she received the award of 'Most Original Speech'. Congratulations also to Olivia who was described as having the 'power of passion' and 'a strong and bold use of the stage'. We are very proud of both of you.

All the best to our Choir students who are demonstrating the virtues of service as they sing in a local rest home this week, as well as at the Town Hall. I've heard you practising – you will be awesome!

Thank you to our parents, caregivers, and the range of professionals who help us throughout the school year. We enjoyed showing you our appreciation at our recent 'Thank You' morning tea. We appreciate your support of our school, staff and students.

Our staffing for the 2018 school year is now confirmed:

Room 1: Mrs Anne Mackey, Deputy Principal, Year 5/6

Room 2: Mrs Linda Woulfe, SENCO, Year 3/4

Room 3: Miss Tina Turkilsen, Year 2/3

Room 4: Mrs Cheryl Naylor, Junior Team Leader, New Entrants / Y1

Room 5: To open approximately Term 2, teacher to be advised, New Entrants

The vacancy for our permanent appointment will be advertised in Term 1, 2018.

As this is our final newsletter for 2017 I would like to take this opportunity to wish you and your families happy holidays and we look forward to seeing you 30 January 2018.

Ngā mihi nui

Tina-Maree Thatcher
Principal
Karapiro School

Staff News

We are very excited to share the news that Mr Steve Jepsen has accepted a teaching position at Rukuhia School for 2018! We thank you for your contributions to Karapiro School Steve and we wish you all the very best for your future. We are also going to farewell Miss Charlotte Morris who is leaving us at the end of the year to pursue other opportunities. We wish you all the best Charlotte.

Please join us at 2pm on 15 December, in the MP room, for a school thank you and farewell to Mr Jepsen and Miss Morris.

Health & Safety

Have you seen our new gadget at the front desk? As part of our upgrade of our health & safety procedures we have a new and electronic sign in system using a tablet. Please ensure you sign your child in (if late) and out (when leaving early). Please ensure you sign in when you are on site (for

example to attend a PTA meeting). You will need to enter your name the first time you use the system and you will be 'remembered' for subsequent visits.



Reporting to Parents

Written end of year school reports and student Learning Journals will be sent home on the last day of school. It has been a pleasure to read each student report and to see the support given and the learning, progress and achievement made across 2017. The Board of Trustees will report our 2017 end of year data to the community early next year.

Accounts

Please support us by ensuring any outstanding monies are paid to school before the end of the school year. Thank you.

Swimming Pool

We extend a huge thank you to Renee for her stunning work in getting our pool up and running. Please see Sarah-Jane in the school office if you wish to hire a key for the summer season.

Virtues

Our current Virtue is 'Service' and we are exploring what this looks like in class, in the community and at home. What does Service look like in your family or whānau? See our virtues posters below.

****Dates for your Diary****

11 Dec	Prize Giving – Raleigh Street
13 Dec	Wet & Wild Activity Day
15 Dec	Term 4 ends
30 Jan 18	Term 1 Begins
12-15 Feb	CAMP – Years 3,4,5,6
15-16 Feb	CAMP- Years 0,1,2

Some writing from Room 4 students

I appreciate my Dad because he lets me do things when my mother is away. By Iden

I appreciate Eli because Eli helps me up when I fall. By Henry

I appreciate my Dad because he plays with me sometimes but he usually goes to work when I go to school. We play Ruckus. It's when you have matching cards and another person has the same card they get your cards and how you win is you have the most cards. By Eli

I appreciate my Nana and my Poppa because they come sometimes. They come on rainy days. They surprise me. By Paige

I appreciate my sister because she plays with me. We play games outside. By Jack

I appreciate Ella because she gives me stickers. By Emily

I appreciate Emily because she plays with me. We play on the slide and we play in the sandpit. By Ava

I appreciate when Jade plays with me because she chooses the game. We play at lunchtime. We play mermaids. By Florence

I appreciate my Gran and Grandad. I appreciate them because they be nice. By Ryan

I appreciate my Grandad and I appreciate my Granny. And I appreciate my Mum and my Dad because they all help me. By Louy

I appreciate Mum and Dad and Diane because I love all of them. By Damian

Reminders

LIBRARY & READING BOOKS – Please return all school books before Wednesday, 6th December.

Please return all school badges to the office before Thursday, 14th December.

Please note there will be no bus on Friday, 15th December.

Please could ALL rugby and Netball players return their uniforms to the office before the end of the year. Thank you.

Notices

Uniforms for Sale – CMS
Skirts, Culoties and Blue T-shirts for sale size 12 and 14. Very good condition
CHS – Summer shirts size 8,10
Navy shorts size 62 and 67
Navy Jersey size 12
Please phone Judy McColl on 827 4775

Virtues

Service

"The real value of your life can only be gauged by what it gives to the world." Sir Wilfred Grenfell



Service is giving to others and wanting to make a difference in their lives. It is looking for ways to be helpful instead of waiting to be asked. The needs of others are as important to you as your own. When you work with a spirit of service, you give any job your best effort. You make a real contribution. People who want to be of service can change the world.



Virtues Project International

Signs of Success

Congratulations! You are practising Service when you...

- Want to make a difference in the world
- Look for opportunities to be of service to others
- Think of thoughtful things to do to help your family and friends
- Work with enthusiasm
- Don't wait to be asked when something needs doing
- Do your part to care for the earth: recycle, reduce and re-use.



I look for opportunities to be of service. I do not wait to be asked. I am thoughtful of others. I make a difference in the world.



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Notices

Squiggle Holiday Programme, Hamilton

Squiggle holiday programme is OSCAR approved and is great for kids aged 5 to 13. Young Engineers (motorised Lego) is one of our most popular activities kids love! Our theme this holidays is learning about the outdoors. There's nothing better than spending holiday's outdoors! We'll be heading down to the river for picnics, holding outdoor treasure hunts, learning about survival tips and swimming everyday! We'll keep fit with X-Fit/Yoga, learning about swim safety, outdoor crafts and heaps more!

We're heading off to the Hamilton Zoo, hiking up the Hakarimata's, learning how to 'free run' and for some down-time, we'll chill out at the movies watching "Coco".

Squiggle runs from one of the best locations in Hamilton - Waikato Diocesan School (Fairfield) from 8am-5.30-pm Mon-Fri. We offer 20% discount for siblings and eligible families can apply for WINZ funding.

To enrol, please go online – www.squiggle.org.nz/enrol, or contact Katrina katrina@squiggle.org.nz or 027-909 3903.

JANUARY SCHOOL HOLIDAY WORKSHOPS

STAR WARS WORKSHOPS

Choose between either the one-day option or the week-long option and learn: Special FX Lighting & Sound, Special FX Makeup, Jedi Combat Training, Dance, Drama & Stage Set Design

Or...for all those dance enthusiasts, come along to

DANCE BOOTCAMP

Discover a variety of dance styles at our week-long dance intensive. Learn core styles in the morning & specialty dance styles in the afternoon.

Registrations now open for **IGNITE ART ACADEMY'S** January school holiday workshops.

Where: Ignite Arts Academy, Cambridge

When: January 2018

Contact: info@ignitearts.co.nz or PH: 0508 2 IGNITE (446483)
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