



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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Newsletter Date

Thursday 31st August 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 ~ Honest Hunt-Leo, Laykn Alberts-Tui, Sonny-Junior Kauai, Noel Te Pou and Sky Taingahue.

Advice for parents, caregivers and students ~

Teach your child how to get safely to and from school and other places they go – whether they walk, bike or go by bus.

Make clear rules about getting home.

Go to school with your child so that you can show them the safest route.

Teach them to deal with hazards like narrow footpaths or busy roads. If they walk, make sure they always use pedestrian crossings.

Meet the parents of children in your area and keep in touch.

Teach the children to walk home together in twos or small groups, not alone. Make other arrangements if someone is away.

Room Two and Four Trip ~ We have been fortunate enough to receive a sponsored trip to Te Papa to participate in sessions in Hinatore - Learning Lab. If your child is in either room please ensure they arrive at school before 8.55 am as they will be leaving school by bus promptly at 9 am.

Public Health Nurse ~ We have a new nurse Kere Bennett who will be at school every Tuesday around morning tea time, she can be contacted on 570 9131 or 027 273 0416.

Classroom Upgrades ~ Work should be starting on Room Four and Five next week. Miss Maxey/Room Four have relocated to the Library and Mr Ingham/Room Five to Room Six, while their rooms are upgraded.

Pita Pit Thursday Lunches ~ Have been popular this term. You can register online at www.lunchesonline.co.nz and order your child's lunch before 9 am Thursdays for lunchtime delivery.

Contact Details ~ Please ensure that you keep all your contact details up to date at the school office, this is vital especially in an emergency. If your child is away from school you can leave a message on the answerphone 564 6920 or txt 0278193283.

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

Thursdays	Pita Pit Lunch Day
Thursday 31st August	Maori/Pasifika Focus Group meeting, 7 pm School Library
Friday 1st September	Arakura's Got Talent Heat 3
Monday 4th - 8th Sept.	Tongan Language Week
Monday 4th - Thursday 7th Sept.	Education Review Office (ERO) visiting
Tuesday 5th Sept.	Room Two and Four Te Papa Trip
Monday 11th - 22nd Sept.	Bee Healthy Dental Van onsite
Tuesday 12th September	Board of Trustees meeting, 7 pm
Wednesday 13th September	Lucky Book orders close
Friday 29th Sept.	End of Term Three

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

Maori & Pasifika Focus Group meeting tonight at 7pm



In the school library, we are looking forward to seeing you there to have a chat. Remember that your children are welcome to come too so you don't need to worry about child care. We will be finished by 8pm.



“At Arakura School we focus on the individual needs of the student”



Education Review Office visit 4th September

As a school we are always reflecting on what we do for our children and are always looking for ways we could do better. This is a basic explanation for Internal Evaluation. ERO will be here next week to do an external evaluation and talk with us about what we do well and what our next steps are. We will share our ERO report with you once it has been finalised.

Community Section

Wainuiomata Softball Club Junior Registrations ~ Wainuiomata Mall 16th/17th September. \$30 per chil, \$50 for two or \$70 for three or more per family. Season starts 28th October, for more information please contact Vanessa 027 2588347 or Matt 021 08170182.

Wainuiomata Tennis Club OPEN DAY - Seniors and Juniors Sunday 10th September anytime between 10am - 4pm, Main Rd, The Village. We offer Junior Group Coaching & Fun on Tuesdays for 9 yr +. Junior Aces Wed for 5 - 8+ yrs, Senior events. Come along, have a hit - have some fun. Sausage Sizzle. You can register your child. Senior Registrations welcome too, for more info phone Julie on 564 3075 iday@mierslabs.co.nz or see our website for contacts: www.wainuiomatatennis.org.nz

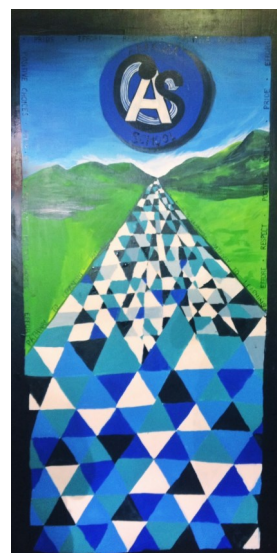
WETA Workshop School Holiday Programme OCTOBER 10th – 12th 2017

In the upcoming school holidays, Weta Workshop is opening its doors to give kids a chance to make movie magic! We warmly invite the children of Arakura School to come along. From drawing to prosthetics and chainmaille, our workshops for ages 7 – 12 years old will excite and delight! Don't miss out. Book online now at www.wetaworkshop.com/school-holiday-programme

El Rancho Spring Kids Camp ~ for 8-12 yr olds Sootopia is the them, join in for an animal adventure like never before 2nd - 6th October, OSCAR/WINZ subsidies available head to www.elrancho.co.nz to register.

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.

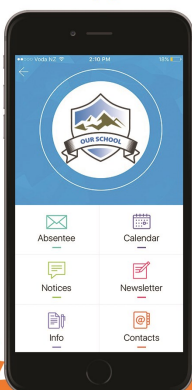


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HOW: In Play Store and App Store search "Parent Teacher Calendar" and choose our school once installed.

