

# ARAKURA SCHOOL



## Special Points of

### Interest:

- 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](mailto:bot@arakura.school.nz)
- School Cellphone 0278193283
- Find us on Facebook and "LIKE" to get updates from the school - [www.facebook.com/arakuraschool](http://www.facebook.com/arakuraschool)



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Newsletter Date

Wednesday 1st April 2015

## "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** ~ Jazmyn Warbrick to Room Ten.

**Easter Raffle** ~ M a n y thanks to everyone who supported our Easter raffle this year. Congratulations to our winners: 1st Skyla Cribb, 2nd Toni Binks, 3rd Melissa Owen. All funds raised will go towards our swimming programme next term.

**Changes to School Lunches** ~ From the end of April we will no longer be doing hot school lunches, moosies and juicies will continue to be offered at \$1.00 each on Tuesdays and Thursdays only. We have registered our school with NZ Kids Food, an easy to use online lunch ordering service offering affordable prices from \$3.70-5.20 per day delivered to our school. Alternatively you can pick up and pay for your child's lunch at the Oaks Café Life

City Church, Parkway Road at the bottom of the hill. For further information go to [www.nzkidsfood.co.nz](http://www.nzkidsfood.co.nz)

**50th Jubilee** ~ 23rd - 25th October. Visit our Jubilee Facebook page to be kept up to date with developments [www.facebook.com/arakuraschool50thjubilee](http://www.facebook.com/arakuraschool50thjubilee)

If you would like to sponsor the school in some way, or have services which you think we may need please contact the school office. There will be a school gala on the Saturday, so if you are interested in holding a stall (cost involved) or have anything you thing you would like to donate for the school gala (eg. Books, clothing, Bric a brac) you can contact Bonnie at the school office.

**Lost Property** ~ Please check the lost property before lunchtime tomorrow. Any unclaimed items will be put into the clothing bin at the gate.

**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.

Previous week's winners: Alexis Harris for filling in on Road Patrol; Jackson Warbrick for helping out Room Five with the Chromebooks; Hailee O'Connor for showing respect to her teacher by listening carefully to instructions; Josiah Seia having a positive attitude towards learning; Aimee Ludlow for helping junior at lunchtime; Xavier Louwrens for being a good leader for Room Four.

Last week's winners: Bryon Taumata for being a great helper with sausage sizzle; Judd Warbrick for playing with juniors and helping them on the playground; Josiah Seia for trying to listen to instructions and stay on task; Te Kipiwai for an amazing effort in Jump Jam.

### Dates to Remember (See our website [arakura.school.nz](http://arakura.school.nz) for all dates)

Thursday 2nd April	End of Term One
Friday 3rd April	GOOD FRIDAY
Monday 20th April	Term Two starts
Monday 27th April	<b>NO SCHOOL ~ observed ANZAC Day</b>
Monday 11th May	Board of Trustees meeting, 7 pm
Saturday 16th May	Working Bee at School
Mon 18th - Fri 29th May	Swimming at Huia Pool

## 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

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



## Community Section

### Starship Mobile Phone Appeal ~



please support the mobile phone recycling initiative which will provide our school with resources such as Apple iPads, Book Vouchers, Sports Packs etc., free of charge, while also raising funds for The Starship Foundation. Most of us have old mobile phone lying at the bottom of drawers, so I would encourage you to take a look, and put a mobile phone in the collection envelope provided to your child, write your name and school's name in the allocated space and return back to school. Each phone will count towards our schools preferred educational equipment reward. More envelopes available at the school office.

We are excited to be offering the Entertainment Books and new Digital Memberships this year in support of **The Relay for Life team Barnardos!** Order from us today, and 20% of your membership goes towards the Cancer Society!

Available as a traditional Entertainment™ Book -or- Digital Membership on your smartphone, your Membership gives you over \$20,000 worth of valuable offers valid through to 1 June 2016! Order either Membership type **before 20<sup>th</sup> April 2015**, and you'll receive **over \$150** worth of **Early Bird Offers** which you can use straight away! Order online today at [www.entbook.co.nz/9b21830](http://www.entbook.co.nz/9b21830) Or contact Maree for more information on 04 801 1717, [ormaree.dickson@barnardos.org.nz](mailto:ormaree.dickson@barnardos.org.nz)



### 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.

The **Wainuiomata Library** will have two free sessions of fun in the school holidays.  
Wednesday 8 April at 2pm Create a huge taniwha and explore Maori legends!  
Wednesday 15 April at 2pm Hear about mythical beasts and make your own ancient mask!  
Queen Street, Wainuiomata, Ph 564 5822.

The Incredible Years parenting programme is designed to develop positive family relationships, empower parents to make change and to manage difficult behaviour. Practical step-by-step suggestions. Help in handling the everyday situations that parents face. A free 14 week course for parents/caregivers of children aged 3 - 8 yrs.

**Wainuiomata - Starting date is Thurs 23 April, 10 – 12:30 pm**  
**Venue: Wainuiomata Community Centre at 10 Queen Street, Wainuiomata**

For more information / to enrol please contact:

**The Ministry of Education**

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