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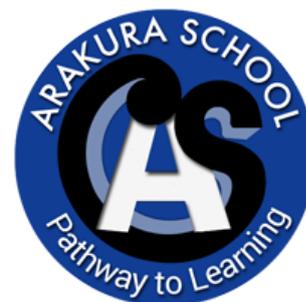
- EFTPOS is available in the school office. There will be **NO CASH OUT** or Credit Card facility and there is a minimum purchase of \$2.00
- Board of Trustees email address: bot@arakura.school.nz
- School Cellphone 0278193283
- Find us on Facebook and "LIKE" to get updates from the school - www.facebook.com/arakuraschool



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ARAKURA SCHOOL



Newsletter Date

Thursday 30th 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 ~ Naehana Rikiriki, Keisha Stevenson-Kennedy, Belle Clark.

Changes to School Lunches ~ Due to excess stock, hot lunches will continue until further notice. Once stock is down we will send a notice home as we will only be offering moosies and juicies 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 or call 0800kidsfood

50th Jubilee ~ 23rd - 25th October. Things are progressing well with registrations coming in, and events taking shape.

If you are interested in holding a stall at the Saturday gala, the cost is \$20 to hire a table or \$10 if you have your own table. To book a space email 50thjubilee@arakura.school.nz and details will be forwarded to you.

If you have anything you would like to donate for the school gala (eg. Books, clothing, Bric a brac) you can contact Bonnie at the school office.

There will be a Hangi for sale at the Gala, ticket sales closer to the time.

Visit our Jubilee Facebook page to be kept up to date with developments www.facebook.com/arakuraschool50thjubilee

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.

Last week's winners: Ariana Gray-Hawira for a great job helping with sausage sizzle, Te Kipiwai Rua for getting her belongings together at the end of the day, two days in a row, Alexis Harris for making a big effort in Maths.

This week's winners: Mary Toka for a great attitude to learning, Sharniqua Tarei for encouraging someone with awesome compliments when they tried something new, Jackson Warbrick for a great job helping with sausage sizzle.

Dates to Remember

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

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| Monday 4th May | Road Safety Week |
| Monday 11th May | Board of Trustees meeting, 7 pm |
| Saturday 16th May | Working Bee at School, 9 am (see separate notice) |
| Monday 18th May | Lucky Book orders close |
| Mon 18th - Fri 29th May | Swimming at Huia Pool |
| Mon 1st June | Queens Birthday ~ No school |
| Monday 15th June | Teacher Only Day ~ No school |

School News

Civil Defence Supplies ~



We ask that each child bring a non-perishable food item

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.

for our Civil Defence food supplies. We are currently replenishing our stocks. If

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”



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

Starship Mobile Phone Appeal ~ Win an iPad for our school, every 10 phones sent in



between 22nd April - 10th July 2015 gives us **1 entry** to win. Please support the mobile phone recycling initiative which will provide our school with resources 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 online today at www.entbook.co.nz/9b21830 Or contact Maree for more information on 04 801 1717, or maree.dickson@barnardos.org.nz



Race to Explore Greater Wellington, with the Metlink City Safari, May 17th

Orienteering Hutt Valley is again organising a huge family navigation event, this awesome family adventure sees teams race to visit checkpoints located all over Wellington. We will tell you exactly where they are - your challenge is to find the quickest and smartest way to visit the most of these - both by foot and by all forms of public transport. You may be racing to catch the ferry to Day's Bay, the Cable Car to Kelburn, a train to Tawa, or a bus to Queensgate. It is all about strategy with the event designed so that the smartest family team can beat the most athletic teams, 3 and 6 hour events are available. Details and registration is at www.citysafari.org.nz. Registration closes 10 May.

Sore throats matter ~ if your child has a sore throat then it is important that they get it checked by their doctor or attend a sore throat clinic in your area.

- Sore throats can be caused by a certain type of germ. (Group A streptococcal bacteria, commonly known as a 'Strep throat'). If this germ is not treated, it may cause rheumatic fever and permanent damage to the heart.
- Rheumatic fever is preventable. Treatment can be as simple as making sure your child is treated for strep throat with antibiotics taken once a day for 10 days.

To prevent other people in the family getting strep throat, you should make sure that everyone in the house with a sore throat gets checked by a doctor, as the germ can be transferred from person to person through 'saliva' e.g. sharing drinks or food. To prevent 'strep throat' spreading, people should cover their mouth when they cough or sneeze.