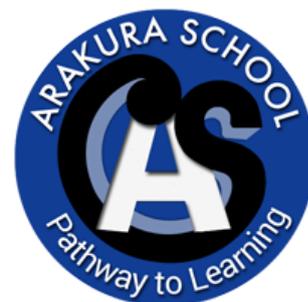


ARAKURA SCHOOL



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
- School Cellphone 0278193283
- Find us on Facebook and "LIKE" to get updates from the school - www.facebook.com/arakuraschool



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Newsletter Date

Monday 18th May 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 ~ Carter Lewis, Eddie and Giselle Galuvaa-Tangatapoto

Changes to School Lunches ~ we will only be offering moosies and juicies at \$1.00 each on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

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

KidsCan Nit Busters' Programme ~ Our "Health for Kids Champion" is in our school one day a week checking and treating for head lice. You will need to

complete the Parent Partnership form for your child and return it to the school as soon as possible for your child to be a part of the programme. KidsCan would like every child to be a part of the Nit Busters' Programme as everyone taking part in the programme is needed to be able to get on top of head lice. The programme also has education sessions for children and whanau, checks and treatments for families, and you will still be able to get hold of the Mr Nits product through your Health for Kids Champion. Please feel free to contact Sharn, she can be contacted through your school, on her mobile 021 317781 or email sharn.b@kidscan.org.nz

50th Jubilee ~ 23rd - 25th October. If you are interested in holding a stall at the Saturday gala 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.

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: Josiah Seia for being a great junior school helper; Vicky-May Davies for making good choices; Ryan Wereta for a great job helping with sausage sizzle; Hosea Hawira for co-operating as part of a group and being a great tuakana.

This week's winners: Journey Samuelu for great effort in Jump Jam; Ariana Gray-Hawira for making an effort to help all of her group stay on task; Tali Aberdein-Tapuai for having a great smile no matter how hard the work might be; Charnce Toa for sharing his scooter on Wheels Day.

Dates to Remember

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

Mon 18th - Fri 29th May	Swimming at Huia Pool
Mon 1st June	Queens Birthday ~ No school
Monday 15th June	Teacher Only Day ~ No school
Monday 29th June	Parent Teacher Interviews (Seniors)
Tuesday 30th June	Parent Teacher Interviews (Seniors)
Friday 3rd July	Last day of Term Two, 3 pm

School News

Board News ~ A big thank you to those parents/children that came along to school on Saturday to help with our Working Bee. It was a very productive day getting bark spread on the playground, sandpit filled with sand and general clean up of the school grounds. "Many hands make light work."

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.



ASB "SCORE" with School Banking ~ Saving \$1.00 with ASB could score you a share of \$5000. To enter the fortnightly prize draw simply deposit at least \$1.00 into your registered Headstart account through school banking or electronically between Monday 20th April until Sunday 12 July. You'll be in with a chance to win \$10, \$20 or \$50 in fortnightly cash prizes. For further details visit asb.co.nz/score or drop into the Queensgate Branch.

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.