KARAPIRO CHRONICLE

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

Today is a very exciting day as our students take home their midyear reports and learning journals. This is an ideal time to celebrate successes and to set goals for the rest of the year. In this newsletter you should also find a booking form to make a time to meet with your child's teacher to discuss progress and achievement in further depth. Please take the opportunity to book a time for a meeting.
We would also ask that you fill in the parent feedback form in the learning journal to let your child, and their teacher, know what you think about the learning examples that they contain. Your input is appreciated and valued.
Our school is a wonderful learning environment and I am just amazed at the learning opportunities that are on offer as we end this term. We have classes travelling to the Karapiro Dam, Hamilton Zoo and Pukete School to enhance their learning. A talented team of parents and staff have been sharing their skills through our electives programme. Winter sport is in full swing and Nicky and the Life Education programme are on the horizon.
I continue to receive outstanding reports of how well our students represent our school whenever they are out and about. We are very proud of their efforts and enjoy being reminded about how amazing they are!

Have a great week
David

We would like to thank our current school leaders Jared and Thomas for the great leadership job they have done for us. Jared and Tom step down today and we are delighted to announce that our new leaders are Cam and Georgina. We would like to wish them well as they take up their roles throughout August and September.

Assessment and Reporting Meetings.
Thank you to everyone who attended yesterday's meetings on assessment, reporting and the national standards. We had two very good meetings and we hope that you found them informative or that they reaffirmed what you already knew about our assessment practice from last year's meetings.
If you were unable to make either meeting, we will soon have a link to the presentation available on the 'learning links' page of our website.

Congratulations to Cam Roigard and ex-pupils Jacob Smyth and Stephen Atkinson who have all been selected for the Bowers Cup rep rugby team.
Good luck in your games.

HELP we need a kind volunteer to help out with some library jobs once or twice a term. No experience necessary and the work can be done when it suits you. See Jenny in the office if you can help us out. Thank you.

PAPER AND SCHOOL FEES: Thank you to those who have paid these fees already. It would be appreciated if all fees could be paid by the end of this term unless alternative payment arrangements have been made. Thank you.

Lunch Orders for Fri 1 July

Sausage Sizzle	$1.50
Potato Top Pie	$2.00
Mini Pizza	$2.40
Flavoured Milk	$1.60
Juicie	80c

NZ Music Centre
Now taking enrolments for Term 3 for guitar, electric guitar, ukulele, keyboard, drums, sing club, vocal lessons, violin, recorder, brass and our rock band school holiday programme.
To enrol please phone 827 6827 or pick up an enrolment form from the school office.

Monthly Diary

Thur 30 June	Reports & Learning Journals go home.
Fri 1 July	Get the booking form in for your parent/teacher interview.
Mon 4 July	Electives Show & Tell 2.30pm.
	Parent/Teacher Meetings begin.
Tue 5 July	Room 1 visit Pukete School.
Wed 6 July	Open Day for prospective pupils.
Thur 7 July	Room 2 Zoo Visit.
Fri 15 July	Assembly 2.30pm. Last day of Term 2.

COLLECT YUMMY APPLE STICKERS

New enrolments are always welcome at any level of the school

We operate a bus service from Cambridge, Karapiro Village and surrounding areas.

Join us for a quality education in a safe, friendly country school

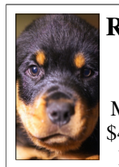
Deciding a child's school year classification.
At last evening's reporting meeting a question was asked about how students are classified according to school year. We had a good discussion around the issue and thought it would be useful to explain the process here.
If a child has a birthday in **January**, **February** or **March** they will enter school as a Year 1 student and move into year 2 at the start of the following year.
If a child has a birthday in **April** or **May** they will obviously have a shorter first calendar year at school. In this case your child's teacher will discuss with you the most appropriate classification for your child. Your child may be classified as **either** Year 1 and will spend a shorter time at school before entering year 2 **or** your child will be classified as a Year 0 and will start a full Year 1 programme the following calendar year.
If a child has a birthday from **June**, **through to December** they will enter school as a Year 0 student and move into year 1 at the start of the following year.
This means that some children will be at school for only 8 months prior to year 2 while some children may be at school for 20 months before entering Year 2. This is the way it has to be as all children leave us at the end of Year 6 to start middle school or intermediate in **February** of the following year.
Confused? Then please feel free to come along and talk about classifications some more!

NETBALL:
Results from Sat 25th June:-
Congratulations to the Ferns and the Stars as both teams have gone up a grade for the second round of the competition.
Ferns won 15-10 Emma Slaney was the Player of the Day.
Stars lost 4-20 Abbey Kanters was the Player of the Day.
Magic won 17-nil. Natalie was the Player of the Day.
Draw for Sat 2 July 2011:
Ferns 11.10am Court 5
Stars 1.40pm Court 6
Magic 9.30am Court 9

RUGBY:
Results from Sat 25 June:-
All games were cancelled due to ground conditions.
Draw for Saturday the 2nd of July 2011:-
6th Grade 3B 10.15am
11th Grade Tom Voyle Field 11.45am

Good luck to our netballers playing in the tournament this Sunday.
Congratulations to Abigail's rep team who won 3 of their 4 games last weekend.

Junior Netball Academy for specific netball training with a trained coach for School Years 4 to 9. Visit www.netballwaikato.co.nz for further details or call Lynaire Williams 0212208186.



Rottweiler Puppies
For Sale
Males Only.
$400.00 each
Ph Angela
021 0230 0815

WINTER WARMERS

GET ACTIVE!

On a cold winters day we still need to get active. Try some of these activities to get keep you warm but also huffing and puffing.

- Make up a dance or aerobic routine to your fav tunes
- Create an obstacle course and challenge your mates
- Play seated volleyball in your lounge or garage.

WEBSITE
A reminder that this year's charter is now available on the BOT page of our website. The charter outlines our school's strategic aims and annual goals for student achievement. We hope that you visit our site regularly at www.karapiro.school.nz
The site is undergoing more development at the moment so please keep looking around the site as we reorganise layout and some menus.

TREADMILL FOR SALE
Only 2 years old.
$1,500.00
Phone Jane
827 5060

LOST PROPERTY : Remember to check the red lost property box before the end of term. We seem to be gathering quite a collection.

Class Changes

This year we have experienced an influx of wonderful new entrant students who have joined our school. The good news is that this is set to continue with 11 more 5 year olds set to join us before the end of the year.
This has placed some pressure on the numbers of students in Room 3.To address this we will be promoting some children throughout the school ready to start term three. If your child is moving you will have received notification today with your child's report and there will be the opportunity to discuss transition at the upcoming parent teacher meetings or by contacting David at school or on 0278 468 959.