

# 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.

It is certainly 'full steam ahead' at school at the moment. There are so many things happening as we quickly approach the end of what has been a remarkable year. As well as the usual end of year tasks, very soon reports and learning journals will be heading home and work on our concert is increasing. This is a very busy time for our staff and I would like to acknowledge the extra hours that they are putting in to meet end of year deadlines and to produce the show. Our teachers have been spending many late nights and weekends completing reports and learning journals as well as carrying out countless individual assessments, keeping exciting learning programmes happening, renewing 1st Aid qualifications and keeping the show ticking along. Our wonderful support staff are also going above and beyond the call of duty with Jenny's sewing machine smoking late into the evening as creative costumes are prepared, Linnet painting up a storm to prepare backdrops and the Christmas float while keeping the pool sparkling and Stef pruning weeding and planting to keep our grounds looking great. Of course working alongside our staff we have a dedicated group of parents who are donating their time to support learning programmes and to help prepare props and costumes for the show and parade. Last, but certainly not least, our amazing students are rising to the challenge and are working extra hard to complete their learning activities as well as learn songs, dances and dialogue for the show. So WELL DONE EVERYBODY, your efforts are certainly appreciated!

Have a great week  
David



The Prime Minister will be in the Cambridge Town Square this Friday from 11.45am until 12.20pm. Our Year 4, 5 & 6's will be in town competing at the Rural Athletics Day and as this visit coincides with their lunch break the children will travel by bus from the Athletic Grounds to the Town Square to meet the Prime Minister. Parents of our Room 2 & 3 students are welcome to collect their child from school and take them into the Town Square to join the older students. Thanks to school parent and local MP Louise Upston for arranging this opportunity for our students to meet the Prime Minister.

## ASSEMBLY AWARDS 18 November 2011

**Room 1:** Miss Hanks & Sam Hogan  
**Room 2:** Montique Pira & Reianne Signal  
**Room 3:** Mrs MacKenzie & Room 3  
**Leaders' Award:** Ciara McCullough & Zeanna Douglas  
**Principal's Award:** Levi Waller



Our school leaders, Hannah and Joseph have been introducing this month's virtue, CREATIVITY. It is vital that we encourage and celebrate the creativity of our students as they explore innovative and exciting ways to share and communicate their learning. Our annual school concert is a great way to practice creativity, we are very impressed to watch as many of our students show initiative in helping to direct and choreograph the show.

## SCHOOL SURVEY

We would like to have all surveys returned by next Wednesday 30 November please. It looks like we will have a good % return and we do appreciate your ideas as we plan future initiatives.

## Lunch Orders for Fri 25 Nov. 2011

Potato Top Pie \$2  
 Pizza \$2.40  
 Juicie 80c  
 Flavoured Milk \$1.60  
 Room 1 students don't forget to take your morning tea, lunch and a drink to the athletics as there are no food sales there.

Hannah Smyth and Sam Hogan wowed the judges with their entries into the LIC Art Competition for children. They both received consolation prizes this week for their calf drawings.

**UNIFORM FOR SALE:**  
 Assorted second hand Cambridge Middle School girls uniform for sale. Phone Judy 827 4775.

**SCHOOL POOL KEYS**  
 Don't forget to get your school pool key, just \$35 for summer long fun in our solar heated pool.

## Good Luck To All Our Athletes Tomorrow.

Please ensure we have a permission slip for your child to attend the Athletics Day and the \$5 to cover the bus cost. Thanks.

## Monthly Diary

Fri Nov 25 Rural Schools' Athletics. (Yrs 4, 5 & 6)  
 Wed Nov 30 Return school survey by this day.  
 Sat 3 Dec Cambridge Christmas Parade.  
 Wed 14 Dec School Concert & Yr 6 Farewell.  
 Thur 15 Dec Last Day Term 4, 3.10pm finish.  
 Wed 1 Feb 2012 1st Day Term 1 2012.  
 Mon 13 to Fri 17 Feb Camp 2012 Mangawhai Heads.



New enrolments are always welcome at any level of the school

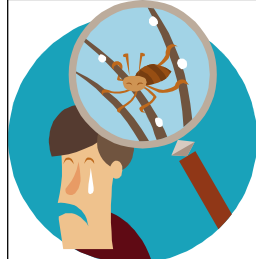
We operate a bus service from Cambridge, Karapiro Village and surrounding areas,

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Get in early for your choice of Christmas Cards from Sandy's beautiful handmade selection on display in the school office. From \$2.00 per card!

Gwen Dobson is looking to set up the neighbourhood support network again in the Karapiro area. She would like a volunteer to put their name forward to be a coordinator/contact person. The network will have the support of the police and civil defence. If you are a community minded person and would like to be involved please give Gwen a call at 827 8031. Thank you.



**HEAD LICE:** Those persistent pests are rife again! Please check your child's hair tonight and treat if necessary. Your local chemist can advise you on the best treatments available.

**Costume Requirements**  
 Please bring in the costume items we have requested by this coming Tuesday as we hope to have an Alice in Wonderland float next Saturday in the Christmas Parade. If you can't source an item let Jenny know as soon as possible. Thanks. Some students will not have had a notice as yet, either nothing is required from home or I haven't got to that character yet!



## DIY TAKEAWAYS

The end of year is a busy time, but don't give in to a dinner of high fat and expensive takeaways. Choose a healthy choice or make your own quick and easy homemade takeaways.



**SAVE TIP #3**  
 Homemade pita pizzas make a healthy and quick dinner. Add toppings of your choice (remember your 5+ a day!) onto a wholemeal pita bread, sprinkle with edam cheese and bake in the oven for 10-15mins.

**MINIBALL:** Results from Friday the 11th of Nov: All Stars won 32-21 thanks to the steady scoring by Cam. Abbey was the Player of the Night with a great intercept and good attacking play. Hot Shots won 42-33 Luke had a good game as did Jared who received Player of the Night. Giants won 54-14 with all team members contributing to this great game. Hannah was named Player of the Night. There are no games this Friday night as Leamington Hall is being set up as a polling booth.

**CRICKET:** Sam's team lost 59-5 and Sam was the Player of the Day. Wade's cricket team also won their game.

**SWIMMING:** Charlotte competed in a swim meet last weekend and came away with 3 seconds, one 4th and two personal best times. Well done Charlotte.



Thank you to all our wonderful volunteers who help with props and costumes for our end of year production and Christmas Parade float. We could not do it without you!