Carterton School Newsletter 6 – 17 November 2015

Dear Parents and Caregivers

The school was treated to a special show today when **Team Kawakawa** shared their performance of traditional stories. The actors, singers and dancers were amazing. What a joy to see children enjoying performing so much. Some of those on stage have only been at school a few weeks - Ka pai! Great work adults and children connected to the team. The evening performance is **tonight 6pm** in the **school hall.**

Our **school Talent Quest** is coming up in a few weeks. Children are encouraged to practice their performances for the team heats. The final is on **Monday 7 December** in the school hall. Parents are welcome.

We recently heard that **Michelle Hawkins** will be moving to teach at Makoura College at the beginning of next year. This is something Michelle has been interested in doing for a while, and we wish her all the very best teaching a new age group of students. We will miss Michelle's enthusiasm and fun!
The position of Year (6) 7 & 8 teacher has been advertised, and we have a tight time line to appoint someone for that class. I am hopeful that we may get a teacher who can continue with the akonga maori context, but this may not be the case. Application details are on our school web site.

A change of staffing this year - For the rest of this year **Wendy Taylor** will be the home class teacher for **Room 8**.

School organisation 2016. While we are coming to the end of the 2015 school year we are also very busy planning for 2016. Our staffing organisation for next year is as follows. Provisional class lists will be decided before the end of term and shared with you.

Team Kawakawa

Room 6	Lesley Schofield	NE
Room 4	Lesley Stewart	Yr 2
Room 3	Jamie Church	Yr 1/2) Junior Hub
Room 2	Kristi Hiles	Yr 1/2) Junior Hub

Team Kowhai

Room 8	Kirsty Hull	Yr 3/4)
Room 9	Rose Adams	Yr 4/5) Hub of 3 classes
Room 10	Andrea Harvey	Yr 4/5)

Ngati Mana

Studio 1	Lesley Standish	Yr 1/2
Studio 2	Jo Taia	Yr 3/5

Team Kahikatea

Room 11	Raewyn Harnden	Yr 6
Room 12	New teacher (Akonga Maori?)	Yr 6/7/8
Room 13	Melanie MacGregor	Yr 7/8
Room 14	Lesley Kennedy	Yr 7/8

Congratulations Jack H! Earlier this week Jack from the Studio got the call that he has been selected to **represent New Zealand** in running! He will be wearing the Silver Fern! Congratulations to Jack and all of his family, who have put so much time and effort into encouraging Jacks' natural talent.

Top Tip for internet use at home and school:
Please be very aware of which websites and chat rooms your child is using on your home device, or on their own digital devices - and how they are using them. We have recently had a situation brought into school after children were 'talking' on a chat room out of school time. It is not unreasonable for you to expect to check up on everything your child does on the internet / on their phones as they are, at most, 13 years old. It is very easy for children to upload text, photos and film - often they do not realise that the audience for their pictures etc are not all innocent. What they put on line stays on line. We encourage you to talk with your children about what they know about safety in the on line environment, and what they are currently involved in and know about.

If you ever need to get a message to your child during school time please only phone the school office and we will make sure they receive it. Even if your child has a device / phone at school to help with their learning it is not certain that they will pick up messages from it as they are not allowed to text etc during school time. Thank you.

Confidentiality at school. It is important to us that all details about your child remain confidential between us and yourselves while they are at school. If you ever have any concerns or questions about people or events at school please see the class teacher in the first instance, then the team leader, or **Wendy Taylor** (DP) or myself. If you hear any concerns or details from anyone about situations or individuals please refer them back to school staff. Thank you.

Kapahaka Festival 2015: A fabulous day for us all, and two excellent performances from our rōpu. I'm sure you would agree that our tamariki were awesome!! Thank you for all our supporters and helpers...you were fantastic! Thank you to our wonderful group of whanau that helped to make the new kapahaka costumes too! You can obtain a DVD or Photographs of your amazing performaners at...**www.2meerkatsphotography.co.nz** and photos at:
http://www.2meerkatsphotography.co.nz/mastertonschoolskapahakafestival.html
There are also some images on the Wairarapa REAP website:
http://photos.waireap.org.nz/Schools-Programmes/2015/Wairarapa-Kapahaka-Festival-20

SWSWAG Hui: Week 7 (next week): Tuesday 24th November: Martinborough School 4pm. This is your chance to be involved, have your say and share ideas and learn about developments in Māori education and support learning and education strategies for Māori in our kura. We meet with whanau and kaiako across all sectors in the South Wairarapa. Thank you to **David Robinson** who has been to every one of these hui! You can bring your tamariki too, and they are always week 3 and 7 of each term. It is really important that we have whanau there at these hui, as they are hui primarily for our whanau having their say and ideas with kaiako and kura.

Thank you to the people who baked something for the Carterton School Garden Trail Food Stall, **Jannine Atkinson, Karen Montgomery, Deanna Dennes, Jean Clarke, Lisa Flemming, Andrea Price, Anna Yuile, Lisa Searle and Johanna Van Leeuwen.** (I hope I have listed all of our bakers. We raised **$219.** This is a fantastic effort.

Thank you to those who volunteered their time to sit at the food stall. **Lisa Flemming, Lisa Searle, Raewyn Harnden and Jannine Atkinson.** I really appreciate you giving up your time for this fundraiser. **Melanie**.

The **Carterton Town & Country Garden Trail** – a school fundraiser – was held on Sunday and once again enjoyed by many. We sold 191 tickets with sales totalling close to **$5,000**. A huge thank you to parents and staff who gave up their time on Sunday to help by sitting on a garden gate and check tickets. Without your support we would not be able to earn this extra money for our school.

Team Kahikatea is having a **Camp El Rancho** meeting on **Wednesday 18th** at **7pm** in **Room 14**. All parents and students are welcome to attend. We expect all parents who are coming to camp to attend. See you there.

Book Club forms are coming home today and close on **Monday 23 November**. If you wish to purchase any as Christmas presents please let **Kristi Hiles** in **Hub Two** know. All credit card orders can be completed online at: mybookclub.scholastic.co.nz all other orders to be sent to Hub Two please.

Home Garden Competition - 2 weeks until judging. Keep working on your garden and recording what you have been doing in your diary. The judges will be coming on **Wednesday 2nd December**. A final letter will be coming home week to organise the judging time table.

Week 9: December 7th we will be having our **Kapahaka performances of the Tuakana and Teina Rōpu and Celebration evening** (as we did last year) at the Carterton Events Centre. 6.30-9pm. We will have supper together afterwards.

The **Year 8 's Leavers Dinner and Dance** is at the **Events Centre** on **Thursday** the **10th of December** from **5:30 until 10:00**. This dinner and dance is to celebrate and farewell the Year 8's and is hosted by the Year 7 students.
We need **all Year 7 and 8 students** to contribute towards the food for the evening. We would like the **Year 8 girls** to bring nibbles. The **Year 8 boys** to bring a salad or a vegetable dish. The **Year 7 girls** bring a meat dish. The **Year 7 boys** and staff to bring dessert. A note will be coming home today with more information on it.
If you have any questions please ask **Mrs MacGregor, Mrs Kennedy** or **Whaea Michelle.** Thank you.
Please return the attendance forms to **Mrs MacGregor** by **Friday**. Thank you.

A friendly reminder that **Year 7 and 8 Designcraft** material cost fees need to be paid by the end of the year. Thank you.

Dates for your Diary:

Tue 17 Nov	Team Kawakawa Production 6pm
	7pm BOT meeting
Thurs 19 Nov	7.15pm PTA meeting
Mon 23 Nov	Year 6 EOTC day
Tue 24 - Fri 27 Nov	Yr 7&8 Camp to El Rancho
Tue 24 Nov	SWS Whanau Advisory Group
Wed 25 Nov	S Wai Schools Athletics Carrington Park
Thurs 26 Nov	Junior Athletics day
Sat 28 Nov	Carterton Xmas Parade
Mon 30 Nov	Yr 8 Moving On conference
Tues 1 Dec	Regional Athletics, Wgtn
Wed 2 Dec	Yr 8s o/night Holdsworth
	Yr 6 Wellington Zoo Trip (2nd – 3rd)
Thurs 3 Dec	R 12/13/14 Holdsworth
	Road Patrol party
	Team Kowhai Wearable Arts 2pm & 6pm
Fri 4 Dec	Team Kawakawa overnight camp
Mon 7 Dec	Confidence Course Finals
	School Talent Quest
	6pm Kaphaka Awards ~ Events Centre
Tues 8 Dec	7pm BOT meeting
Wed 9 - Fri 11 Dec	R 9 & 10 noho
Thurs 10 Dec	Eve Year 8 social (with Yr7s) ~ Event Centre
	7.15 PTA meeting
Fri 11 Dec	Team Kowhai trip to Castlepoint
Tues 15 Dec	9.10 am Certificate Assembly ~ Event Centre
Wed 16 Dec	11am Final Assembly & Prize giving ~ Event Centre
	12.30pm School finishes
Monday 1 Feb 2016	Term 1 starts!

It's the great **Lions Club of Carterton Spud n Bag** and **Giant Pumpkin Growing Competition 2015-2016**. **$5 per entry**
Spud n Bag has a huge selection of prizes with lots of unusual categories for adults and children. Giant pumpkin has cash prizes. Judging day is **3rd April 2016 10am-12pm** and prize-giving is **1pm-3pm** at the **Memorial Club, Broadway**, **Carterton**. You can get your Spud n Bag or Giant Pumpkin seeds from **Mrs MacGregor in Room 12.**

Do you have any **second hand uniform** at home to sell? Please bring it in to the second hand shop.

Sports Roundup

Carterton School Green Sox had a bye last week. This week we are playing **MIS Giants** at **4:15pm at Carterton School**. Please be at school at **3:45pm** for a warm up. We will still practice at **8:30am** on **Friday morning** with **Shirley**. Thank you.

South Wairarapa Athletics - Well done to those students who are representing our school at the South Wairarapa athletics competition next **Wednesday 25 November**! Your child has been given their info sheet and the events that they are competing in. Please tell **Whaea Jo** if your child is unable to attend.
All events completed in Year Levels

TIMETABLE

Assemble	9.30 am
Distance Races	9.35 - 10.15 am
Round 1	10.15 - 10.45 am
Round 2	10.45 - 11.15 am
Round 3	11.15 - 11.45 am
Round 4	11.45 - 12.15 am
Round 5	12.15 - 12 .45 pm
Round 6	12.45 - 1 .15 pm
Interschool Relay	1.15 - 2.10 pm

ORGANISATION
There are to be 6 rounds as below. (Read along the line to work out each groups' next event)

STARTING GROUP EVENT ROUND

		1	2	3	4	5	6
Year 3	Sprints - S	S	V	H	L	T	A
Year 4	Vortex - V	V	H	L	T	A	S
Year 5	High jump - H	H	L	T	A	S	V
Year 6	Long Jump - L	L	T	A	S	V	H
Year 7	Quoit Throws Discus - T	T	A	S	V	H	L
Year 8	Hurdles - A	A	S	V	H	L	T

Yours sincerely

Alison Woollard,
Principal

COMMUNITY NEWS:

Tuesday 24th November at **Play and Coffee** at The Salvation Army, At the back of **210 High St South, Carterton,** we are going to make some Christmas Decorations, come join us. For under 5's and parents and caregivers, only a **gold coin** and includes morning tea and free play with inside and outside toys.

Free Family Movie Night, **Friday 27th November**, doors open at **6.30pm** and the movie starts at **7.00pm**. Come along and enjoy a free movie together. This month's movie is Inside Out. Canteen of lollies, chips, popcorn and drinks available for purchase. All money raised will go to help run our kids club. At The Salvation Army, 206 High Street South, front entrance.

Job Vacancy - Carterton Hart 4 Kids require a **Team Leader** for their After School Care and Holiday Programme. For anyone interested please text , phone or email for a job description on the numbers below.
cartertonhart4kids@gmail.com **Irene 027 716 5652, Lyn 0272402975**
Irene & Dolly, **Carterton Hart 4 Kids**, P.O. Box 129, Carterton 5743
027 716 5652 or (06) 379 7821 after 7:30pm

Kuranui College Orientation Evening - Thursday 19 November at **6.30pm**.

Carterton Food Bank annual drive **Wednesday 18 November** at **5.30 pm**. If you can help with driving, collecting, food donation please contact **Yvonne O'Dowd 379 7366** or e-mail **ken.yvonne@xtra.co.nz.**