

A very warm welcome to Term 4 (and it is a lovely, warm day today!) Special greetings to students and families who are new to our school this term. It is wonderful to have you here! We will be having a powhiri at school in the next week or so to officially welcome new students.

Pet Day this Friday

Everyone will be having an early morning tea at 10am on Friday as judging for all animals begins at 10.30am.

If you are bringing along any animal that isn't in a cage - you can come to school by 10am. Just let your child's teacher know you will be a little later in.

We aim to have Prizegiving by 12 o'clock and all students and pets can go home at 12.30pm. Your child can stay at school, if you have no other arrangements, but any pets must be taken home by 12.30. If your child is staying here Friday afternoon after Pet Day we need to know that asap, so their name can be added to the list.

Older students can go home without a parent collecting them, at 12.30pm if the teacher has had a message from parent to tell us that there is someone at home to supervise.

Children are NOT allowed to go to the park (or other not-home place) at 12.30pm. **Buses are running at normal time.**

All children **MUST** tell their teachers when they leave school.

It's not too late to enter a pet. You can email Lesley Kennedy lkennedy@carterton.school.nz with your child's name, age and room, description of the pet including size [for dogs] and age. All cats and dogs must be fully vaccinated. Sausage sizzle and drinks will be for sale by the PTA - see you all there.



A Carterton PTA
School Fundraiser

**Pet Day –Friday 20th
PTA Sausage Sizzle**

Food between 10.30 am – 12 noon
Sausage \$1.50 and Juicies \$1.50



Room 12 is running a Teddy Bear Competition on Friday - Pet Day. Bring your teddy to Room 12 before school. Make sure it has your name and room number attached. The judges will award a variety of certificates like the coolest teddy, the prettiest teddy, and many more. Remember to collect your teddy before you go home at 12:30. See you and your teddy on Friday.

It is that time when we are starting to look at **class organisation for 2018**. If you have younger children who will be enrolling next year, or you know of any children who are turning 5 next year, (or any other changes/requests), please let us know as soon as possible to help with our planning.

~WANTED FOR FRIDAY – FLOWERS / LEAVES & DECORATIONS FOR SAND SAUCERS
AND FLORAL ARRANGEMENTS ~

Please send any contributions to school on Friday morning. These can be left on the deck outside Rooms 13 & 14

KAPAHAKA FESTIVAL

The Wairarapa Kapahaka Festival in on Thursday 19th & Friday 20th October, at Wairarapa College hall.

Our Kapahaka Tuakana are performing Thursday 19th at 11.15am, and Ākonga Māori are performing at 11.30am.

Nau mai, harae mai whānau ki te tautoko ki ngā rōpu kapahaka o Taratahi!



Carterton Farmers Market ANNUAL PLANT SALE. Memorial Square, Sunday 22nd October 9am - 12.30pm. Loads of plants for sale including strawberries, plants, seedlings and the Carterton School Plant fundraiser stall. Local entertainment as well as face painting and other activities for the kids. Bring the family and buy well priced plants while supporting your school.

The PTA is steaming ahead and thank you for your support so far. We are grateful for your support and look forward to a productive future together.

So far, this year we have assisted with funding in the following areas:

The **water fountains** have all been installed around the school and we now have a complete set, I'm sure you will all agree they are a fantastic addition to the school, not only in supplying fresh, clean drinking water but they look fantastic too!

We have assisted in funding for a teacher aide to support and set up the perceptual motor program (**PMP**) for younger students.

We have purchased a much-needed **vice** for the junior block.

Funding allocated to help support our **senior kapa haka group**, this will be used as needed but namely for things such as tutor support, moko ink, feathers etc.

Stackable **bench seating** for outside Akonga Maori.

Whole school performance, this is something we traditionally support every year and is something the kids come away buzzing from.

Green/Blue screen for digital movie making(!)

Funding for a day **bus trip** for Team Kahikatea for them to gain local stories to use in their production in term 3.

Steps Web- this is a web-based, whole school initiative that the children use daily to assist with their reading and literacy skills.

We are excited to be able to provide a voice for parents to communicate with teachers and faculty staff so if you have any ideas or contributions please feel free to attend the next meeting, we are always looking for fresh new people to join our exciting and fun group!

We still have a vacancy for a superstar secretary, so if you are a fabulous note taker and can assist us, please contact the office or **Leanne on 0220751191** we would welcome your contribution.



A reminder that sun hats are compulsory for Term 4 (and Term 1).

We are a 'Sun Smart' school so children need to have a (named) bucket / wide brimmed navy hat with them at school every day during the summer terms. If they do not have a hat, they will have to stay on the classroom decks during break times. Hats can be purchased from NZ Uniforms in Masterton, as well as The Warehouse



Book club order forms will be sent home this week. All cash orders to Kristi Hiles in Room 3. All credit card orders to be completed online. The website is on the order form. Last day to order is 9am Friday 27 October. Any queries please see Kristi in Room 3.

Thank you to the whānau that helped Team Kahikatea with getting their products and plants ready for the plant stall last term. We appreciate your time and effort.

Home Gardens

In July some students had expressed an interest in being part of the Carterton School Home Garden Competition for 2017.

A sample of the judging sheet and a notice is going home today with these students.

Judging is in Week 6 of Term 4 (Wednesday 22nd November).

Please fill in and return the slip on the notice sent home with the students, to the office or Room 13, before Wednesday 1st November. Once the slips are returned I can group students together and allocate approximate times for the judges to visit the gardens. I will let you know the approximate time the judge will be visiting your child's garden.

On judging day your child will travel with the judge (or Judges), by car, to visit their garden (along with a couple of other students). The judge will ask your child to show them his/her garden and listen to what your child has to say about their garden. He/she will be asked questions about their garden and have photos taken. The judge will collect in and look through their diary. They will travel to see the other students gardens and then back to school.

If your child has a home garden and does not receive a notice please ring the office on 3794010 or contact me on my cellphone 0221089935.

Thank you.

Melanie MacGregor

PIE Fundraiser

Attached to this newsletter is an order form for the PTA's Pie Fundraiser. These family pies are only \$6.50 each and taste delicious! Don't forget to ask your family, friends and neighbours if they would like to order too!



Thank you to Festival Bulbs for their kind donation of beautiful bulbs for our Plant Sale

During **Pet Day** some **BOT** members will be asking you to give them your ideas about the **top 3 things** you think we

On **Wednesday 8 November 7-8pm** in **our hall** we will be hosting **Kuranui College**. Some of the senior school

Gala brainstorming session!



Are you full of ideas or like to help out?

The PTA are holding a planning meeting next week to brainstorm new and fresh ideas for next year's gala.

The annual gala is our biggest fundraiser for the year and we need your help to make it as successful as possible.

When: **Tuesday 24th October @ 7.30pm – 8.45pm**

Where: **Carterton School Staffroom**

Who: **parents, teachers, grandparents, all whānau are welcome.**

Community News

Wairarapa A & P – Saturday 28th & Sunday 29th October 2017

WBS Discovery Trail!

Coming home next week with the newsletter is a map to take part in the WBS Discovery Trail at the Wairarapa A & P Show on Saturday 28th & Sunday 29th October. There are great prizes to be won (Hatchimals, Kathmandu puffer jacket, cellphone) and it is a lot of fun for everyone who takes part.

Wanted to rent: 4/5 bedroom house in the Carterton area. Please contact the school office on 379 4010 if you have or know of anything available