



LEAVERS ASSEMBLY

Uniform Shop Hours

Wednesdays

1:20 to 2:00pm

and

3:00 to 4:00pm

Dates to Remember

NCEA Exams

9 November

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1 December

Senior Prizegiving

Tuesday 5 December

Junior Tabloids

Monday 11 December

Last Day of Term

Tuesday 12 December

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FROM THE PRINCIPAL



"The brain is the most outstanding organ. It works for 24 hours, 365 days, right from your birth, until you step in the exam hall".

Unknown

Kia ora

With only fifteen school days this term for our seniors pressure has been on both the students and staff to ensure the final internal assessments are completed and students are well prepared for the NCEA external examinations. I would like to take this time to wish all of our senior students the best of luck and encourage them to put their best foot forward over the coming weeks.

On Monday 6 November we held a special Leavers Assembly to acknowledge those Year 13 students in particular that had completed five years of secondary schooling. It was a fitting occasion and acknowledgement for these students who have grown and contributed to the school and the wider community in their own way. Alongside the speeches and presentations there were numerous haka that embodied the very special spirit that makes us truly 'Proudly Karamu'.

Outside of the NCEA examinations our school now turns its focus to our junior students. On Monday 13 November Karamu Junior High School begins. Students will work in their normal subject areas with a slight change to their timetable. It is important to note that our expectations do not change over the coming weeks with attendance, uniform and behaviour a priority. Learning does not stop, and the coming weeks are critical in ensuring our students are well prepared and have excellent work habits as the build towards 2018 continues.

On Thursday 19 October work was completed on time and on budget for the renovation of the EL1 and EL2 classrooms. This work was well overdue and staff and students can now enjoy learning in a facility they can be proud of, and deserve.

Nga mihi nui

Michael Leitch

NICK PALMER - SHOT TO THE TOP



Karamu High School shot putter Nick Palmer capped off a memorable year at the recent Hawkes' Bay Secondary School Sports Awards.

Nick was winner of Male Athlete, EIT Male Sportsperson and the overall SBS Bank Supreme Award.

Earlier this year Nick was named flag bearer for the New Zealand Team at the Commonwealth Youth Games in the Bahamas where he won silver.

He is currently ranked sixth in the world in the under 18 age group and is now aiming to qualify for the World Junior Championships in Finland in 2018.

This is the first time a Karamu student has won the Hawke's Bay Secondary Schools Supreme award.

The school is extremely proud of his achievements to date and know that these achievements will help inspire the next generation of Karamu athletes.

Also at the evening three Karamu High School teachers, Dave Taylor, Tracy Taylor and Tom Blake were awarded Long Service Awards to coaching and managing.



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TATE GORTON - OFF TO THE GLOBE IN LONDON



Tate in character as "Porter"



Performing Art's leader Tate Gorton entered the Sheila Winn Shakespeare festival in April this year. He delighted both the audience and adjudicator with his performance of Macbeth's Porter.

He was selected along with 47 other students country wide to attend a week long course consisting of lectures, workshops and public performances at the National Shakespeare School's Production in Wellington in the October holidays.

After his return he learned that he was one of 24 students selected to represent New Zealand on behalf of the Shakespeare Globe Centre New Zealand at an intensive three week course at The Globe Theatre in London.

This is an amazing achievement considering there were about 7,200 students who take part in the Sheila Winn festivals nationwide.

The Karamu High School community is extremely proud of Tate and we all look forward to hearing about his trip in July next year.

"Knock, knock! Who's there, in th' other devil's name? Faith, here's an equivocator that could swear in both the scales against either scale, who committed treason enough for God's sake, yet could not equivocate to heaven. O, come in, equivocator."

Macbeth Act 2 Scene 2 - Porter

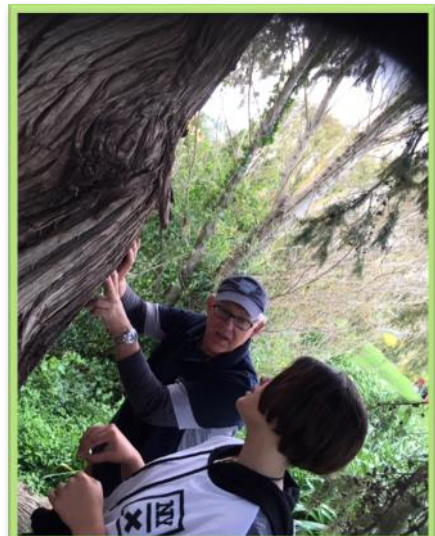
MENTORS FOR BIODIVERSITY INVENTORY

On Tuesday 26 September eleven of our Year 9 and 10 students were mentors assisting Te Mata Primary School students with their Biodiversity Inventory.

Our student's role was to guide Te Mata students through the gathering, identification and recording of information on flora and fauna diversity of the Karitūwhenua Stream Walkway. The ultimate goal was to identify as many living things as possible, to create a database of known species in the area.

Ruud Kleinpaste (The Bug Man from TV), introduced the project and was our expert for species identification with assistance from Mrs Roberts and our students in the use of microscopes. The project was part of the Cape to City Project run by Robyn McCool from DOC and Ruud Kleinpaste, who were both very impressed by our students.

It is hoped that this event can be repeated in the future, to monitor the area's biodiversity and detect any changes.



Ruud Kleinpaste with the students from Karamu High School and Te Mata Primary

WINTER HOUSE SPORTS

On the last week of Term 3 Karamu held a new house event – “WINTER HOUSE SPORTS”. Students had to opt into one of seven different sports which were played in different sites around Karamu and Windsor Park.

Each sport had a round robin to establish a ranking (first to fourth). The rankings for each event were then used to generate points and overall placings, with Te Mata taking first place.

Te Mata	Heretaunga	Tuki Tuki	Kaweka
289	262	262	256
1st	2nd	2nd	4th

