



## Uniform Shop Hours

Wednesdays

1:20 - 2:00pm

and

3:00 - 4:00pm

## Dates to Remember

April 5 & 6

“Little Shop of Horrors”  
School Production

April 7 - 9

Junior Rugby Trip  
Gisborne

April 10

ANZAC Assembly

April 10

Dance Assessment  
Evening - 6:00pm

April 13

Last Day of Term

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## DEBATING



**Back:** Liam Robson, Dean Polak, Jorge Fothergill, Cameron Young, Abigail Masengi, Reanna Browning  
**Front:** Lucy McKay, Jessica Shoemark, Erika Balestie Diaz, Sophie Jones, Sahibpreet Kaur, Abigail Kilkolly

Karamu High School students enjoyed some fantastic results at the 2018 Regional Debating Competition. This prestigious event is held annually and run by the New Zealand Secondary Schools Debating Society. A selection of New Zealand debating coaches and law students come to Hawke's Bay to run the competition. This year, our local MP, Laurence Yule, opened the competition by congratulating and encouraging all those involved. He praised the development of such an important skill.

2018 was the largest regional competition we have had for many years. Twenty-eight teams were entered from around Hawke's Bay; some even came from Gisborne to compete. Karamu High School entered four teams this year and we are proud to say that two of our teams made it to the top four and competed in the semi finals.

These teams included Liam Robson, Reanna Browning and Sahibpreet Kaur in KHS2 and Jessica Shoemark, Abigail Masengi and Dean Polak in KHS3. The final prize giving also held some excitement for the Karamu students. Abigail Kilkolly and Sophie Jones were both awarded Promising Speaker awards. Finally, Jessica Shoemark was awarded Most Promising Speaker of the competition and we are very proud to say she was also selected as a reserve for the regional team who will compete in the national competition in Wellington later this year.

Karamu High School has always excelled in the regional debating arena and 2018 is no different. Congratulations to everyone who competed. We now look forward to the 2018 inter-school debating competition.



*"It is not our abilities that show what we truly are. It is our choices."*

*Professor Dumbledore  
Harry Potter*



*"Don't think about making art, just get it done. Let everyone else decide if it's good or bad, whether they love it or hate it. While they are deciding, make even more art."*

*Andy Warhol*

## FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Kia Ora

Term One has flown by and has once again been packed full of opportunities for our students to shine. Our recent Swimming and Athletic sports days exemplified this and are brilliant examples of our values, and spirit here at Karamu High School. Kaweka reigned supreme taking out both events for the very first time.

This term we have held Year 9, 11 and 12 parent/whanau evenings. Thank you to all those who attended. Although these evenings had a very different focus, it is always great to have your support and feedback in ensuring the best outcomes for our students.

With summer sports coming to a close I would like to thank all of the staff, parents and students involved. There have been a number of outstanding performances in Athletics, Canoe Polo, Ki o Rahi and Touch Rugby at regional and national fixtures who have all represented the school with great pride.

I would like to acknowledge our student leaders for 2018. They are keen to represent Karamu with pride and passion and aim to be genuinely effective in their leadership roles. We wish them well in achieving their goals and thank them for the commitment they have made.

We are now building for our major production, 'Little Shop of Horrors' with the cast and crew spending large hours on perfecting their performances. We expect that ticket sales will again be strong, so get in early to avoid disappointment.

I hope to see you there.

Michael Leitch

## DEPUTY PRINCIPAL

### **Bring Your Own Laptop for Junior School in 2019 (BYOL)**

Karamu High School is committed to providing quality forward thinking education for all students. We promote quality learning, anytime, anywhere. In 2019 we are aspiring for all of our current Year 9 moving into Year 10 and the new Year 9 students to Karamu to have access to their own laptop.

The initiative to include laptops as a tool in the classroom has seen a wider range of blended approaches in the students learning and the ability to access information at any time. Following on from the success of the option to bring a laptop in the current Year 9 group with a 70% uptake and the increased flexibility and opportunities our students are gaining from having access to a laptop, we feel this is an opportune time to make this move.

We would encourage families to start planning to see how they can work towards their son or daughter having ready access to a laptop both at school and at home. The laptops do not have to be the latest or the highest spec as they are a tool; the learning happens with the students doing the work. Some families, workplaces and friends upgrade their laptops and this would be an opportunity for students to acquire one. If you have any questions or would like to discuss this initiative please do not hesitate to contact me.

For the laptop a minimum of an 11 – 14 inch screen with 4 GB of RAM would be sufficient. We supply fast and efficient wi-fi connection and free Microsoft Office.

Damien Hollands

## DEPUTY PRINCIPAL

Academically all students have been busy this term. Year 9 and 10 have had a series of tests which provide us with a range of data to enable us to see how to best help them learn, and Year 11-13 have started their NCEA journeys. This journey started with over 250 Year 11 and 12 parents/whanau taking up the opportunity to attend a learning conference with their son/daughter and form teacher. Goals were set and now we will work together to see how best to achieve these goals in 2018. If you were unable to make these at this time please still feel free to contact the office and they will put you in touch with the form teacher.

In order for Year 11-13 students to achieve their goals they need a number of mechanisms in place. Consistent focus in class, sustained completion of homework and meeting regular milestones are all necessary. You as whanau can track senior student milestones and assessments on our school website under the Academic section. Also on here are a series of useful documents including NCEA for Parents and Students, Extension Forms, Appeals, the NCEA Exam Timetable for 2018 and Financial Information for 2018. Students who for very legitimate reasons cannot meet deadlines (bereavement, illness or injury) should complete the Extension Form with evidence of their work and take it to their teacher to apply for an extension.

Our Academic Leaders have started the year running Homework Club each Tuesday and Thursday after school and Wednesday 8:30 - 9:00am for any students who want help or just need a quiet place to work with wi-fi. Alongside sustained support from teachers and home we believe every student can achieve their personal best if they invest in themselves first.

Dionne Thomas



*"Success is the sum of small efforts, repeated day in and day out."*

*Robert Collier*

## FOOD FOR THOUGHT

### EVERY DAY MATTERS

Keeping students in education is vital for their success at school and in later life. The research tells us that student attendance, along with effective teaching, has the greatest influence on student engagement and achievement. The fewer days that students are at school, the less chance they have of achieving. Missing school isn't just about missing learning; it's also about all the opportunities that are missed – **every day matters!**

We believe based on national and regional data that a minimum attendance rate of **90% at each year level** is a realistic and achievable target. At Karamu High School we take attendance very seriously, knowing that good attendance guarantees great outcomes for our students. We monitor attendance very closely and are working hard to achieve these targets.

### Legislation Governing Attendance:

Schools (boards, principals, and individual teachers), along with parents and guardians, are responsible for making sure students attend school regularly. Under Sections 25 and 31 of the Education Act 1989, every school board must take all reasonable steps to make sure students attend school when it is open.

At Karamu High School we have a comprehensive system for monitoring and improving attendance. Every lesson, attendance is taken by the teacher and recorded on our KAMAR system. As a parent or caregiver you can check directly through the KAMAR Parent Portal to see the live entry of data. You can also check past attendance, results student timetables and the primary caregiver can also update personal and contact details. Letters have been sent home with login details. If you need a new copy please contact Tina in the office on 878 7139. If you are unable to check online you can ring the school office to confirm attendance.

Once attendance is marked in period one and two, text messages are sent out to the whanau of students who are marked absent if we have not had any notification about them being away. You are asked to reply to the text so we can update our records and ensure students are safe. You can help us by contacting the school if you know your student is going to be away. You can ring and leave a message on the school answerphone system, email the dean or send in a note with your son/daughter.

If you have told us about your son/daughter's reason for being absent we need to complete our records. There are some reasons that are considered 'Justified' by the school and the Ministry of Education. Being unwell is such a reason and will be recorded as a Justified Absence. If a student is absent due to illness and the absence exceeds three days we will require a medical certificate.



# STUDENT LEADERS 2018



Academic Leaders

Abigail Masengi, Liam Robson, Jayden Taylor, Amy Griffiths



Performing Arts Leaders

Emily Coppell, Romaine Araia  
Absent: Khalael Uelese



Community Leaders

Melinda Pope, Reanna Browning, Ashlee Cunningham-Johnson, Nathan  
McCourt, Millie Hannam, Keagan Klempel, Shannon Minogue, Sela Tupou  
Absent: Bayley Baxter-Kirby



Taylor Thorpe-Loversuch, Karalea Halton, Reece Sullivan, Jorge Fothergill, James Morley, Samuel Walton-Sexton,  
Taine Doyle, Jacob McNeil, Ethan Hope, Rome Nicholson, Ashleigh Thorpe-Loversuch, Hannah Norfolk,  
Sharnie O'Connor, Paige Morgan, Ryley Clark.  
Absent: Caitlin Robin



Jacob Kershaw-Horua and Tyla-Rose Halton



Michaela Edwards, Joshua Matthews, Tia Lewis



Jaime Mossman (Deputy Head Girl), Cameron Young (Head Boy), Amy Saunders (Head Girl), Nick Palmer (Deputy Head Boy)

## TOUCH COMPETITION

Karamu High School was crowned local secondary school Touch Champions after competition finals on Thursday 22 March 2018.

All teams have produced some very good results and have gone through the whole competition unbeaten.

The final results show the standard played by the teams. Special mention to all coaches needs to be made for the effort put in to create this winning way; Anaru Bartlett, Mr Byron Crawford, Kelly Brooker, Cortez Te Pou, Sam Walton-Sexton and Zac Brooker.

Watch this space for future results with Karamu High School.

### Scores from the finals:

- Junior Girls 12-1 against Iona
- Senior Girls 5-1 against Wairoa
- Senior Mixed 4-2 against Wairoa



## " LITTLE SHOP OF HORRORS "

A life of broken dreams, down and outs and lost promise ...oh, and a mean green monster from outer space! Little Shop of Horrors, the Ashman & Menken Broadway hit, is the Karamu High School production 2018.

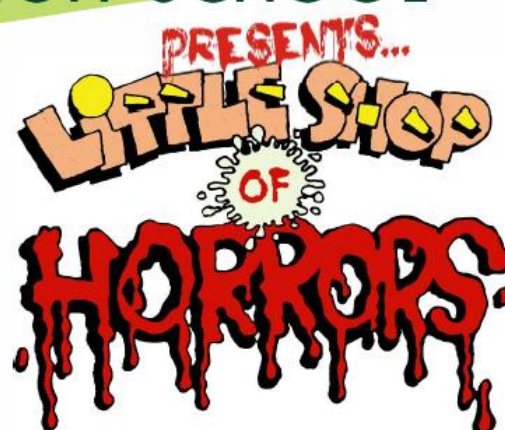
This action-packed musical is a hilarious tongue-in-cheek rip off of 1950s horror. You'll tap your toes and laugh as Seymour bumbles and stumbles through his non-starter romance with the beautiful florist Audrey. Then he discovers a mysterious new plant with killer potential.

Will his newfound fame and fortune win the attention of kind, sweet, delicate Audrey? Can he finally break free and be happy...whatever the consequences?



### KARAMU HIGH SCHOOL

**THURSDAY APRIL 5TH**  
**FRIDAY APRIL 6TH**  
**7.00 PM**  
**STUDENTS \$5.00 - ADULTS \$10.00**  
**TICKETS AVAILABLE AT THE SCHOOL OFFICE NO DOOR SALES**



## NZSS EAST COAST ATHLETICS

This years East Coast North Island Secondary Schools Athletics Championships in Hastings saw Karamu High School represented with a high number of participants and producing the most successful results ever. Highlights of the day were all the first placings by Maddison Hughes (sprints), Lucy McKay (polevault), Maia Bassett (polevault), the junior girls 4 x 100 relay team and Ruby Brett's close seconds especially in the 400 meters. Congratulations to Ruby, Lucy and Maddison, selected to represent ECNI at the North Island Secondary Schools Athletic Championships.

### JUNIOR GIRLS

#### Maddison Hughes Yr 9

1<sup>st</sup> 200 mtrs  
 1<sup>st</sup> 300 mtrs  
 2<sup>nd</sup> 4 x 100 mtrs Relay

#### Harmony Kautai Yr 9

3<sup>rd</sup> Shot Put  
 2<sup>nd</sup> 4 x 100 mtrs Relay

#### Maia Bassett Yr 9

1<sup>st</sup> Polevault

#### Nikita Seffert Y9

3<sup>rd</sup> Polevault

#### Jordyn Nicholson Yr 9

2<sup>nd</sup> 4 x 100 mtrs Relay

#### Briah McGrail-Timms Yr 9

2<sup>nd</sup> 4 x 100 mtrs Relay

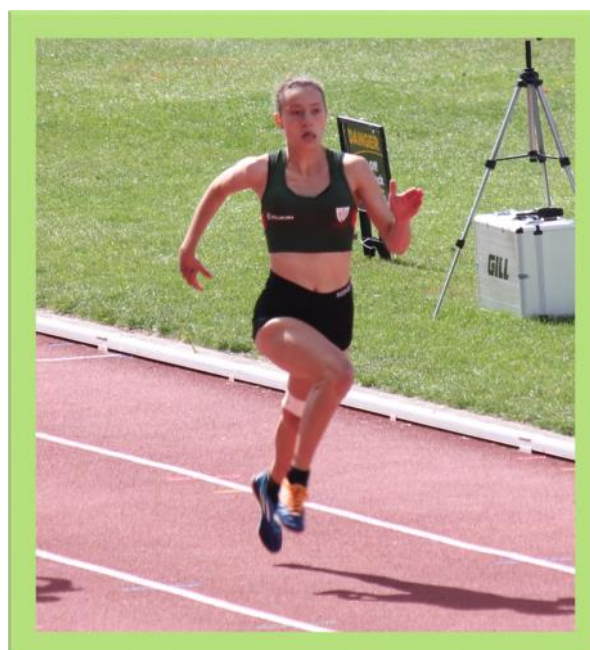
### INTERMEDIATE GIRLS

#### Lucy McKay

1<sup>st</sup> Polevault

#### Ruby Brett

2<sup>nd</sup> 200 mtrs  
 2<sup>nd</sup> 400 mtrs



## RELAY FOR LIFE

On Saturday March 10 a group of 45 members of the Karamu community (students & staff) participated in the Cancer Society's biggest annual fundraising event – Relay for Life 2018. This year's relay was again held at the Hawke's Bay Regional Sports Park.

We had a fantastic team who represented our school extremely well throughout the day. The baton had to be moving around the track for the full 12 hours of the event (from 11:00am to 11:00pm) while a lot of other creative and competitive events were going on around the park.

Leading up to the event the members of our Karamu team rallied around for their individual fundraising. All together our team raised a total of \$1083.50. This is a fabulous effort from our team and we have received messages of appreciation from the organisers.

During the event we participated in the secondary school's tug of war competition and fought for a well-deserved second place. We also constructed a Thor's hammer and shield for the Super Hero themed newspaper costume challenge completed by all teams at the event.

It was a wonderfully successful event again this year and raises money for a very worthwhile and necessary cause within our local community. A huge thank you to all those students and staff involved in the event and also to all those who contributed to our fundraising efforts. It is much appreciated.





## ATHLETICS SPORTS

The Athletic Sports were at the Regional Sports Park on Tuesday 6 March. Although past Athletic Sports days have been dogged by poor weather, this year's event was held in perfect summer conditions.

Students dressed in their house colours, and participated enthusiastically in the tabloid events. After the whole day's activities were taken into consideration, first place went to Kaweka, followed by Tuki Tuki. Te Mata was third and Heretaunga was fourth.

Place	House 2018	Points	2016 House Placings	
First	Kaweka	3605	Heretaunga	3585
Second	Tuki Tuki	3515	Tuki Tuki	3480
Third	Te Mata	3485	Te Mata	3475
Fourth	Heretaunga	3315	Kaweka	3415

Place	Year 9 Boys	Year 10 Boys	Senior Boys
First	Keerat Singh	Cameron Orr	Linkin Smith
Second	Uzmine Alam	Joel Tawera	Nick Palmer
Third	Bryn Nelson	Vinnie Harrison	Zac Brooker

Place	Year 9 Girls	Year 10 Girls	Senior Girls
First	<i>Jordyn Nicholson</i>	Rana Cetinturk	<i>Cortez Te Pou</i>
Second	<i>Harmony Kautai</i>	<i>Ani Gillespie</i>	<i>Ruby Brett</i>
Third	<i>Leilani Williams</i>	<i>Shadae Stevens</i>	<i>Aimee Shaw</i>







## SWIMMING SPORTS

The swimming sports were held in near perfect conditions at Frimley Aquatic Centre on Friday 24 February. Another fantastic day was had by all with a combination of competitive and fun events for the whole school to get involved in. These days are tremendous days to build House spirit and enjoy a bit of friendly rivalry. A big thank you goes out again to Mr Ross and his team who continue to evolve and develop these days to make them truly special and memorable events for all students. Congratulations to Kaweka who won the House Swimming Cup for 2018 and Cora Davison for setting a new record for the 50m Fly.

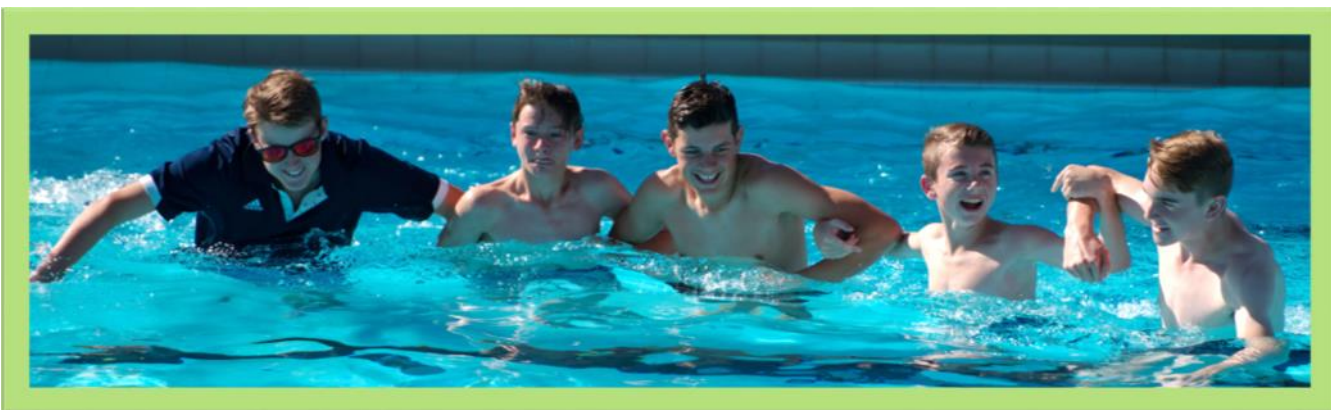
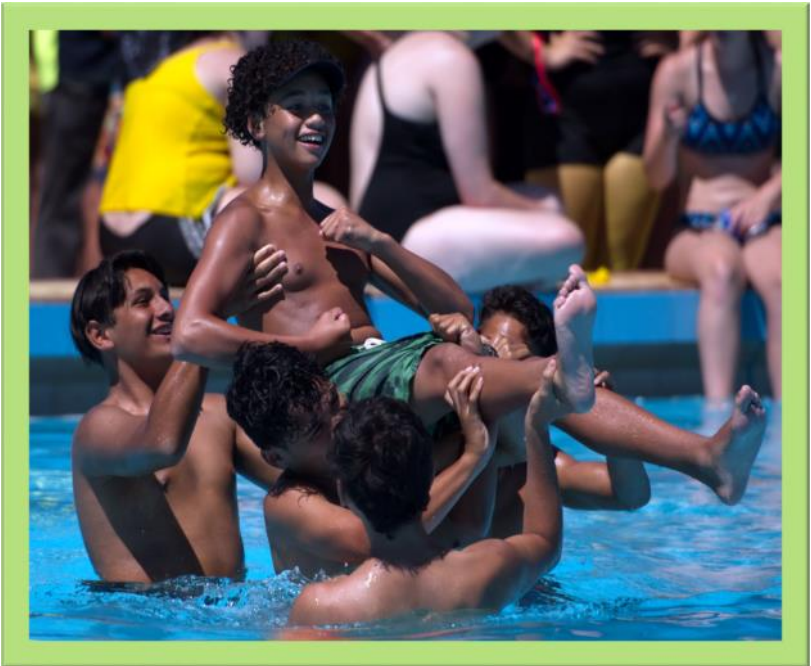
**50m Fly - Old Record: J Allen 40.78 - New Record: Cora Davison 38.47**

Place	House 2018	Points	2017 House Placings	
First	Kaweka	805	Tuki Tuki	930
Second	Tuki Tuki	775	Te Mata	840
Third	Heretaunga	705	Heretaunga	795
Fourth	Te Mata	685	Kaweka	735

Place	Junior Girls	Junior Boys	Senior Girls	Senior Boys
First	Cora Davison	Sam Ramsay	Tiana Edwards	Jamie Hollway
Second	Jade Edmonds	Braden Cooper	Melinda Pope	Michael Garland
Third	Brenna Garland	Brodie Harris	Michaela Edwards	Liam Robson









## CANOE POLO

Karamu High School recently competed in the 2018 New Zealand Secondary Schools Canoe Polo Championships at Makino Aquatic Centre in Feilding, Manawatu. Qualifying six teams to attend the competition was achievement enough, but finishing the competition with every team in medal contention was outstanding.

**Junior Girls** finished 1<sup>st</sup> overall, blitzing their final 12 - 1 against Sacred Heart College.

**Junior Boys** beat St John's College to the bronze with great team work and skilled long shots.

**Senior Boys B** in division 2 came a huge way from their regional performance, but narrowly missed out on the gold finishing 2<sup>nd</sup> to Hastings Boys High School.

**Senior Girls B** in division 2 finished 3<sup>rd</sup> overall, beating home team Feilding High School in their playoff, and improved greatly over their season putting them in great stead for next year.

**Senior Boys A** came a huge way from last year, qualifying into division 1 for 2018 and missing out on the bronze medal in a hard fought 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> match against St Peter's College.

**Senior Girls A** wowed an early morning audience in their crossover to make the final, however were pipped at the post by Taradale High School, finishing 2<sup>nd</sup> overall.

A special mention goes to Sharnie O'Connor, Tia Lewis and Jacob McNeil who were chosen for the 2018 Tournament Teams, made up of the best players across all schools at the tournament.

A huge thank you to all the coaches, managers, supporters and school staff for all your help and cheering; it is not possible without all of you. We would also like to thank the school for our new bibs and rash shirts, making us look fantastic on the water. Karamu High School had the most teams at Nationals, and with 26 Hawke's Bay representatives for 2018 we are surely stamping our mark on canoe polo in Hawke's Bay and beyond.

### Junior Girls



*Hayley Austin, Courtney Walker, Sierra Koppelwell,  
Harmony Kaurahi, Maddison Hughes, Hannah Hunt,  
Megan Godwin, Miss M Corbett*

### Senior Girls A



*Sharnie O'Connor, Taylor Thorpe-Loversuch,  
Ashleigh Thorpe-Loversuch, Millie Hannam,  
Amy Saunders, Miss M Corbett*

### Senior Girls B



*Meg Lindsay, Charlotte Leigh, Amy Godwin,  
Renee Saunders, Tiana Edwards, Lexi Trotter,  
Mr B Godwin*

### Junior Boys



*Jack Brookes, Bryn Nelson, Sam Williams, Jacob  
Reeve, Lawrence Henderson-Ereatara, Quinn Trotter,  
Elijah Casson, Mr J Brookes*

### Senior Boys B



*Romayne Araia, Caleb Williams, Michael Garland, Flynn  
Mercer, Ethan Poppelwell, Mitchell Heney, Josh Williams*