

KARAMU HIGH SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Uniform Shop Hours

Start of Year

Tuesday 22 Janurary

to

Friday 01 Feburary

9:00am – 3:30pm

Dates to Remember

21- 25 January

Senior Course Confirmation

28 January

29 January Years 10, 11 and 12 8:30am- 12noon

30 January Years 9 and 13 8:30am- 12noon

31 January All school in Normal timetable begins 01 Feburary School Powhiri 8:35am- 9:00am 6 February Waitangi Day

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CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR 2018 DUX

Jaime Mossman was announced Dux of Karamu High School at the Senior Prize-giving on 4 December 2018. Jaime gained first place in Level 3 Physics, Biology, Chemistry and Mathematics with Calculus, and joint first place in History. She also received the Somerville Cup for best overall Level 3 Mathematics student.

Both in and outside of school Jaime has had a strong involvement in Dance. She is currently the lead role in Briar Horrock's Dance Studio's production of 'The Greatest Showman' and recently performed in the Sophie Jean Dance Company recital. She was a member of the Year 11 - 13 Dance Team that were champions in the Dance NZ Made Hawkes Bay Regionals. Her leadership across the school has been acknowledged by her being Deputy Head Girl in 2018.

Jaime has received a \$20,000 University of Auckland Top Achievers Scholarship for 2019. She will study a Bachelor of Science majoring in Biomedical Science with the intention of studying medicine.



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"Wings to show you what you can become

Roots to remind you where you're from."

Unknown

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

On 14 December Karamu Junior High completed the year in a positive manner and have ensured that we can all head into a well-earned break on a high note. Our junior tabloids on Thursday were a great way to finish the year with the students getting into the spirit of the events with lots of fun had by all.

Our prizegivings were again a great celebration of achievement across the school and were a fantastic reflection of the talent that our students possess. I also know that there will be a number of our families that will be proud of their own sons and daughter's achievements through the feedback received in the end of year reports. As families it is important to acknowledge the individual success of all students no matter how big or small, as this could be the catalyst to future success.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank our parents, whanau and wider community. Our success is a direct reflection of your ongoing support. Our community values and understands the importance of education and learning and along with our core WELCOME values we will continue to ensure the best possible outcomes for all of our akonga (students).

We look forward to 2019 with great excitement as we continue to build the momentum of achievement across the school. We have another fantastic group of 220 Year 9 students joining the Karamu family and I know they will add positively to the culture of the school.

Finally, I would like to wish you all a very safe and Merry Christmas and look forward to seeing you back here in the New Year.

Michael Leitch

Principal

JUNIOR HOUSE LEADERS

The sixteen house leaders were selected from their respective house's, four per house. This year they all stepped up and showed tremendous leadership skills.

Each house leader was allocated a day each week to distribute the sports gear at interval and lunchtimes. They also had a morning duty spot before school at the front gate greeting their fellow students at the start of the day.

The four leaders from each house had to all work together and select one of Karamu's WELCOME values. They then had to find a person from the Hastings community that displayed that value and present this to the junior school in assembly.

Their enthusiasm and initiative culminated in a fantastic effort with the Christmas Cheer Appeal. Well done Junior House Leaders.



Back:

Haipeng Jiang, Keelan Heesterman, LJ Henderson-Ereatara, Joel Tawera, Cameron Orr, Sam Ramsay, Karlin Painter-Dudley

Front:

Hannah McKinley, Rana Cetinturk, Lily Skews, Ellie Panton, Dakota Simpson, Maia Colman-Savage

Absent: Bree Gibson, Cherish Maui, Georgia Perry

DUKE OF EDINBURGH

Year 10 students Ellie Panton, Emily Eldridge, Emily Hunt and Emily Morgan have been participating in Spanish language lessons as part of their Bronze award requirements.

They have been learning greetings and putting new Spanish vocabulary into practice with Miss Calkoen every Thursday after school.



YEAR 9 ESTUARY EXPERIENCE

Karamu Junior High began on Monday 12 November with much of the Year 9's focus on the 'Estuary Experience'. The rationale behind this was to get the Year 9's out of the class room and involved in learning across all of the learning areas. Using Confucius's proverb:

I hear, I know, I see, I remember, I do, I understand

Doing, rather than just listening or watching was the driving force. It began with a pre-trip briefing, getting to understand the Estuary as a key area within Hawke's Bay, with guest speaker Anna Madarasz-Smith from Hawke's Bay Regional Council on Wednesday 14 November. Day trips to the Estuary then occurred the following week.

Learning continued when they returned via 'hopscotch tasks' from the essential learning areas, where students had graduated choice around what they researched according to their strengths/interests. Students were acknowledged for great learning each week and then at the end the best student in each formclass was treated to morning tea with the Year 9 Deans, Mr Leitch and Anna Madarasz-Smith from the Hawke's Bay Regional Council.





EIT TRADES ACADEMY

I recently had the pleasure of attending the EIT Trades Academy Prizegiving.

2018 was our first year sending students to this initiative where over 700 students across 34 schools from Hicks Bay in the North to Waipukurau in the South are catered for in Level 2 vocational courses not available here at school like Hair and Beauty, Agriculture, Horticulture and Animal Care.

I was immensely proud to see our students representing the school proudly and a couple were also acknowledged for success in their courses.

Tamar Hoogendorn received the prize for Excellence in Practical and Academic Work in the Animal Care course and Anna Barbridge received the Best Overall Student in the Agriculture Course. Congratulations!



JUNIOR HIGH TABLOIDS

On Thursday 13 December we held our annual junior tabloids. The junior form classes got right into the spirit of the event with some fantastic costumes on display to have a bit of fun and friendly competition.

On a hot and humid afternoon the water events were a hit as always. Mr Ross was at his creative best as he conjured up another seventeen stations that involved a combination of skill, fitness and strategy to see which class came out on top.

A big thank you goes to all of the students for their participation and also to our 2019 senior school leaders who returned to assist in the running and organisation of the events.

Result from the afternoon are:

	Yr 9	Yr 10
1st	9NFI	10JOM
2nd	9VIP	10PCH
3rd	9SMI	10THU





JUNIOR PRIZEGIVING

Friday 14 December was our last opportunity to celebrate the success of our students across several areas at the Junior Prizegiving.

Over 150 students were acknowledged for their success in either the sporting, cultural or academic areas. Merit awards were awarded to students who were first in class and distinction awards were awarded for achievement across the whole year level. A new set of awards were also awarded this year that mirrored our WELCOME values. These were presented to one student in each form class, not otherwise generally an award recipient, who has most consistently demonstrated our school values.

The following Prestigious Awards were presented to:

Turner Family Trophy for Excellence in Junior Sport and Culture

Keelan Heesterman

Karamu High School Cup for the Junior Sportswoman of the Year

Rana Cetinturk

Karamu High School Cup for the Junior Sportsman of the Year

Brock Coulbeck

Karamu High School General Excellence Cup for All Round Excellence in Year 9

Maia Bassett

Karamu High School Cup for Year 9 Academic Excellence

Braden Cooper

RSA Scholarship for a Year 9 student who is performing well and does not currently hold a Scholarship

Cora Davison

Karamu High School General Excellence Cup for All Round Excellence in Year 10 Paige Flashoff

Karamu High School Cup for Year 10 Academic Excellence Keelan Heesterman













PROUDLY HASTINGS - CHRISTMAS CHEER

Our Karamu Junior House Leaders with the support of Miss Redwood took the lead in promoting the annual Christmas Cheer Appeal. This year the each form class decorated their own gift box and gathered donations towards this great cause. All donations went to 'Out and about with kids in Hawke's Bay for distribution to a range of nominated agencies in the Hastings community who work directly with families in need.

Once again it is extremely heart-warming to see our students their families and our staff giving so generously to this cause in demonstrating what it is to be 'Proudly Hastings'.



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