

**Uniform Shop Hours**

Wednesdays

1:20 – 2:00pm

3:00– 4:00pm

**Dates to
Remember****Wednesday 21 August**Confirmation of Enrolment
by Letter2020 Scholarships
Announced**Friday 13 September**

Blossom Day

Level 1 Mountain Trip

Wednesday 18 SeptemberLevel 2 PED
Ocean Spa Run

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STUDENT COUNCIL

In 2018 Karamu High School re-introduced the student council to help bring student voice to the table. The councillor's role is to bring any issues or concerns that arise at student level. These are discussed with possible solutions and brought to the senior leadership team. In addition to this our councillors each year identify a project that will serve the school or community.

In Term 3 our 2019 council was elected via a voting process. Two councillors were selected at each year level with the Board of Trustees student representative charged as chairperson. Congratulations to this year's successful nominees.

This year the student council's project is promoting healthy eating. Through 'Kids Crunch' they have organised a weekly supply of apples to be freely distributed to students daily. These apples are kindly donated by local Hawke's Bay fruit growers and delivered free of charge by KPH Transport LTD.

Well done to our newly elected student council members pictured here promoting their first initiative 'Kids Crunch'.



Tyler Heesterman, Keelan Heesterman, Cody Baker, Sophie Brookes, Shakoia Puketapu, Markis Walsh-Kingi (Rongomaiwahine), Sasha Sharma, Ella Lindsay-Smith, Lena Ormsby (Ngāpuhi/Ngāti Maniapoto),

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K A R A M U****PROUDLY
H A S T I N G S****PROUDLY
L E A R N I N G**

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Kia ora

On Tuesday 6 August we held our 'Open Evening' for our prospective 2020 student intake. Once again it was fantastic for us to showcase to our community all the wonderful opportunities on offer. The passion and energy of our staff and students make such a positive difference and is a special feature of our school culture.

The cut off for enrolments will be this Friday 16 August. There has once again been a strong demand for positions and it is likely that we will require a ballot for out of zone enrolments. If this is required it will be held on Wednesday 21 August.

This week our senior students began their benchmark examinations which will continue into next week. I know staff having been going the extra distance to offer additional support and help. These examinations are essential in preparing our students for the external NCEA examinations in November. Parents and students need to be aware that these grades will be used as evidence for a derived grade if for some reason your son/daughter is unable to sit the November exam. It would be timely to discuss with your son/daughter the importance of thorough exam preparation as well as factors such as diet, exercise and sleep in ensuring they give themselves the best opportunity of success.

At the end of last term, we did acknowledge in the junior school a large group of students with 100% attendance which was fantastic. As I have discussed in previous newsletters 'Everyday Matters' and it is paramount that parents, whanau and the school work together to ensure our students are here every day. I would encourage you to use our KAMAR app to access this information that will enable you to track your son's and daughter's attendance. If they are away for genuine reasons, we ask that you contact the school attendance line (870 6143). This is particularly important for our Year 12 and 13 students so we can continue to ensure they have the best chance of success in all of their courses.

With the end of the winter sports season approaching I would like to thank the many volunteers that help support, coach and manage our teams. There have been some fantastic results which cannot be achieved without your commitment and sacrifice. To the players, please do not lose sight of this and ensure that you also acknowledge this as your teams wind up their seasons.

Kia rā pai tēnei mōu
Michael Leitch

DEPUTY PRINCIPAL

As students are sitting their benchmark exams some will be starting to look forward to the subjects they will be taking next year. We will be issuing students with their course booklets early next month with the selection sheets due to be returned by Wednesday 25 September for our current Year 11 and Year 12 students, and for our current Year 10 students who will be seniors in 2020. Our current Year 9 students will be given time to experience their Term 4 options before they need to make any choices for next year and information will come out just after Labour weekend in Term 4.

Your son and daughter's teachers will be giving students information regarding the pathways within each curriculum area. Year 12 and 13 students for 2020 will have course confirmation meetings in early 2020 before they start their next year of study. If you have any questions there will be an opportunity to talk to the tutors during the Year 11 and 12 learning conferences on 17 and 19 of September. This also follows the senior reports due in Week 8. Bookings and further information will follow in the next few weeks.

As the number of students gaining their restricted and full licences grows during the year there is an increase in the numbers of cars that are moving around the school at 3:00pm. It is important that all students are registered with Mr Wooster and that they follow the guidelines of the restrictions of their licences. With the increase it is important that our students who do need mobility access can get in and out of the front carpark with ease. Only cars that are dropping or picking up students who are either in a wheelchair or with limited mobility should be using the front carpark. This is a busy area next to a crossing with large student movement at the start and the end of the day so all other students are to be picked up and dropped off in either Grove or Beatson road.



*An investment in
knowledge pays the
best interest.*

Benjamin Franklin



*I had so much fire in me
and so many plans.*

Claude Monet

DEPUTY PRINCIPAL - CURRICULUM & ASSESSMENT

The Benchmark Examination and Workshop Period (Thursday 15 – Tuesday 20 August) is important for several reasons: to practice external examinations, then gauge next steps as learners or spend larger periods on external portfolios, and for 'Emergency' or 'Derived Grades'. These are grades needed for unforeseen illness, injury or bereavement in the end of year examination period or in the event of natural disaster that limits our ability to provide a testing centre (ie: Earthquake). Unfortunately, we cannot foresee these and so must reiterate the importance of having the best possible benchmark grades possible 'just in case'. Seniors are therefore encouraged to use this time wisely and study when they do not have an examination or workshop, including over the weekend. Study rooms are also available at school if students wish to use them. Every student has been given a copy of the timetable, which is also available in hardcopy outside the hall and on our website and Facebook.

The format of Senior Reports that follow will have the intent of providing the most up-to-date picture of completed internal assessment and benchmark external assessment. They will also include learning strategies leading up to the external assessments. As per the process in 2018 Year 11 & 12 reports will firstly be available on the KAMAR Portal (an email and App-alert will be sent notifying parents and caregivers). They will then be available in hardcopy to be uplifted from the learning conferences with form teachers on 17 and 19 September. These are follow-up meetings to see how students' goals are tracking from the learning conferences held in Term 1 and what support we can collectively put in place to ensure personal success. Year 13 reports will be sent home as usual.

Consistent effort in and out of the classroom from now can significantly change the shape of NCEA results. Students should allow time for regular revision, keep to milestones and deadlines around portfolios, take advantage of further assessment opportunities, make use of the tutoring opportunities at the Homework Centre or extra time in the art rooms after school. Making use of school resources at this stage is encouraged, but I also urge students to use a variety of resources including online ones like **Studyit** <http://www.studyit.org.nz/> and **LearnCoach** <https://learncoach.co.nz>

Dionne Thomas



*Education is the passport
to the future, for tomorrow
belongs to those who
prepare for it today.*

Malcolm X

ABSENCES

If your son/daughter is unwell please do not send them to school. Please phone the 24 hour attendance line on 870 6143 and leave a brief message stating the reason for the absence, ie unwell, an appointment etc. The reason for the absence is needed to ensure the correct code is entered against your son/daughter's attendance record. Please note that if your son/daughter has vomiting or diarrhea they must be free of symptoms for 48 hours before returning to school.

MEALS ON WHEELS



Meals on Wheels drivers wanted for Hastings & Havelock North



New Zealand Red Cross, Hastings Service Centre – 823 Heretaunga Road West, Phone: (06) 878 8438

BUSINESS STUDIES - MARKET DAY

Karamu High School Business Studies students had a wonderful and very successful day at the Young Enterprise Hawke's Bay Farmers Market on Sunday 11 August. The teams were really showcasing their products and their selling skills! One group particularly caught the eye of many with their Colouring Book for Children. Their book not only has wonderful images drawn by our very own Madison Jack but also a lovely story for children to read.



LEVEL 2 ART EXHIBITION

Karamu Year 12 art students participated in the 2019 Hawke's Bay Year 12 Art Exhibition last week. There were approximately 80 entries of work from Karamu students, in a range of media; painting, printmaking, photography and design.

Summer Painter won the award for the "Best Painting" in the show. The exhibition is still open to the public this week. Go check it out at Hastings Community Art Centre on Russell Street.

Judges comments:

"What an amazing show with such a high calibre of work to choose from" - Kaye said the photography and paint categories were especially well represented with huge talent making it so hard choosing just one winner.

Here is Kayes feedback on Summer Painters painting, It was all a Dream. "I found paint the hardest of all categories to choose just one winner, the work being so diverse and the quality so high. I chose this painting because the subject intrigued me and I found it highly original and very well executed."



EDIBLE FASHION AWARDS

On the 9 and 10 of August Karamu High School participated in “The Wild” Edible Fashion Awards. A huge amount of work went into the garments under the support and guidance of Mrs Burn. Out of the ten finalists in the senior category six came from Karamu High School. Jorja Fryer was placed 3rd in the senior designer category and won the ‘Keep Hastings Beautiful’ category.

Of the following seven students six made it through to the finals of the Senior Designer category;

- Jorja Fryer with her garment ‘Vision’
- Jodi Coombs and Amie Chatterton with ‘Recycled Future’
- Grace Sayer with ‘Allcorn Tigflyer’
- Abigail McEvoy with ‘Techno Takeover’
- Ruby McEvoy with ‘Wild Weather’ (Modelled by a friend)
- Aiden Arnott (Ngāti Kahungunu) with ‘Clan Leader Sloan’ (Modelled by a friend)
- Isabel Valdez modelled by Jamie Hollway with ‘Gilles of the Grape’

With a very young group of designers and a huge amount of talent, the future looks promising for next year’s competition.

Congratulations to the students who participated in the Edible Fashion Awards this year, both designers and models.



Kevin Bridle Photography



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DANCE NZ MADE

Congratulations to our dancers who entered this year's Dance NZ Made competition. Our open team placed second against some pretty tough competition. Their timing was excellent and they worked very hard over the last two weeks sharpening their technique.

Also, Maia Bassett won her section in the solo competition with an outstanding performance.



Back row: Maia Bassett, Thea Morton, Erika Bolestie Diaz, Sarah & Kate Weaver
Front row: Lena Ormsby, Jennifer Boyd, Nikita Steffert

EQUESTRIAN

The annual Heretaunga Kinross White Show Jumping and Dressage Event was run on Sunday 5 May 2019 in conjunction with Havelock North Pony Club's Euchre Flats Bonanza.

Congratulations to Ella Lindsay-Smith who won the Kinross White Challenge Cup.



IF YOU HAVE CONCERNS

If you are a student and you have a concern

| If your concern is about | You should first see | If not resolved, then | And is still not resolved |
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| Your learning , eg. classwork and assessment | Your teacher | Your dean | Mrs Thomas, Deputy Principal Curriculum & Assessment |
| A discipline problem , eg. a detention | The teacher who gave you the detention | Your dean | Mr Wooster Deputy Principal Student Management |
| A pastoral issue , eg. bullying, attendance | Your form teacher | Your dean | Mr Wooster or Mr Roll the Guidance Counsellor |

If you are a parent and you have a concern

| If your concern is about | You should first see | If not resolved, then | And is still not resolved |
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| A learning problem , eg. classwork and assessment | The dean | Mrs Thomas, Deputy Principal Curriculum & Assessment | Mr Leitch Principal |
| A discipline problem , eg. a detention | The dean | Mr Wooster Deputy Principal Student Management | |
| A pastoral issue , eg. bullying, attendance | The dean | Mr Wooster or Mr Roll the Guidance Counsellor | |
| A financial issue relating to any account or charge | Either Mrs Gray or Ms Radley in the office | Mrs Hantler Principal's PA | |