



Uniform Shop Hours

Wednesdays

1:20 – 2:00pm

3:00– 4:00pm

(Term time only)

Dates to Remember in 2021

25 - 28 January

Senior Course Confirmation

Monday 1 February

Teacher Only Day

Tuesday 2 February

Years 9, 12 and 13

8:35am - 12noon

Wednesday 3 February

Years 10 and 11

9:00am - 12noon

Thursday 4 February

All School In

Normal Timetable Begins

Monday 8 February

Waitangi Observation

Wednesday 17 February

Swimming Sports

Friday 19 February

ID Photos

Friday 12 March

Athletics

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DUX 2020

Tiana Edwards (Ngāti Pāhauwera, Ngāti Kahungunu, Ngāi Tai ki Tāmaki), head girl of Karamu High school, was announced Dux at senior prize giving on Tuesday 8 December 2020. Tiana gained first place in chemistry and physical education and had high distinctions in geography, biology, and mathematics with statistics. She had a stunning 100% grade point average (GPA) in four courses (all standards at Excellence).

Supporting this Tiana also gained her Gold Duke of Edinburgh, was selected to attend the BLAKE leadership and environment programme, awarded scholarships to attend “Hands-on Otago Experience” and Outward Bound. Tiana was captain of the senior girls canoe polo squad and was in the 1st XI Football team. Tiana has been awarded the general excellence award at Karamu High for three consecutive years so was very pleased and privileged to be the 2020 Dux.

Tiana has received a Māori entrance scholarship and will study a Bachelor of Applied Science majoring in environmental management and chemistry at Otago University in 2021.

“It takes a village to raise a child and I am so fortunate to have had the support, guidance and opportunities from Karamu High. Alongside my appreciation for my peers, a special thanks goes to the staff members that have provided me with time, patience and knowledge that I’ll be forever grateful for.” Tiana Edwards



PRINCIPAL

As the end of the year draws to a close, we can reflect on the year that could have been or we can reflect on the year that has been.

In this last week when I saw the amazing amount of goods and money that was collected for Women's Refuge I felt a huge sense of gratitude - we have so much to be grateful for.

- ♥ I am grateful that this year I had the opportunity to have good health
- ♥ I am grateful this year that I have learnt new skills and attributes
- ♥ I am grateful this year that I was blessed with a new grandchild
- ♥ I am grateful this year that as a school we have embraced the wero of courage every hour, every day and every week

What are you grateful for? What are you still to be grateful for?

As you enjoy perhaps a change in pace in the next few weeks, whether that is more time for yourself, time with friends or time with whanau, let's focus on what we have, rather than what we do not have.

In 2021 I look forward to building on, developing, growing and nurturing all the warmth and kindness we have generated in 2020 to be better, safer and kinder.

E noho oranga, noho kaha, noho ora mai
Keep safe, stay strong, til we meet again

Meri Kirihimete ki te whanau
Merry Christmas to you all

Mrs Dionne Thomas
Principal



HEALTH

A Message from your Public Health Nurse:

If you are 15 - 30 years old you may have missed your measles immunisation when you were younger. Measles is eight times more contagious than covid-19. By getting immunised you protect yourself, your whānau, and your community.

To get your **FREE** measles immunisation or for more information talk to:

- Your GP
- Your local pharmacy
- Your school nurse
- Hauora or other community provider
- Napier Health Centre community clinic
- HBDHB Immunisation Team on 0800 729 100

CHRISTMAS CHEER

Making a difference for others can be as simple as **Smiling**. Being friendly to others is a great way to brighten someone else's day. Whether it's at a shop, at school, or simply walking along the street, a nice gesture like a smile could go a long way for someone having a bad day. And as they say it takes 17 muscles to smile and 43 to frown anyway.

Making a difference can also be as simple as **Listening**. We have become so drenched in the buzz of technology that real face-to-face interaction and relationships are growing scarce. Next time you throw out the standard, "Hi, how you doin'?" how about trying to really invest in what is going on in that person's life by listening to their response? Ask questions that show you really care and want to listen.

But for us this year Karamu Junior High have gone beyond simply smiling or listening, to make a difference for others, drawing on our school values of creativity and manaakitanga by bringing small items from home and gold coin donations on Friday 4 December for the christmas themed mufti day, to make a difference for nine families identified through Hastings Women's Refuge.

Each family has two or three banana boxes literally full of gifts for their family. The generosity of the students and staff has been heart-whelming. Really thoughtful gift buying too, loads of food, toiletries and treats. We were also very lucky to have two David Trubridge lamp shades donated and listed these on Trade Me. These will be given as a monetary donation.

It has been a pleasure to do this for Hastings Women's refuge and a really good opportunity to link our school vision of Proudly Hastings to the Women's Refuge vision of having all women and children in Aotearoa living free from domestic and family violence. We are hugely proud of what we have done as a Junior High in supporting you and hope the Hastings branch will be impressed with our contributions.

Pictured below are the Junior House Leaders for 2020 who helped organise the Christmas Cheer collection



Tuki Tuki: Tyler Heesterman, Hannah Hibbert, Innika Hapuku-Lambert, Unique Williams

Heretaunga: Ashlee Bird, Dante Taylor, Hamish Wood, Cameron Trass

Te Mata: Robbie Sayer, Chase Baker, Taryn Derbidge, Lena Ormsby

Kaweka: Caitlin Allan, Katelyn Church, Javier Santander Narvaez, Jayden Cornelissen

TIRA ORA

Welcome to the Tira Ora section of the newsletter. 'Tira Ora' is the name given to the branchlet of the Karamu tree, so an ideal name for branchlets or students of Karamu. This will also be the name given to the Alumni Association to be formed in the near future. This section will be where news of Karamu alumni will be shared so if you have news of ex-students that you are willing to share please email admin@karamu.school.nz

Ryan L. Jennings (attended 1991-1995)

Ryan left Karamu to complete a Bachelor of Commerce at Victoria University. Ryan loved writing from a young age, but at Karamu ignited a passion for photography and graphic design in 6th form and the filming and editing of a music video assignment in 7th form made a lasting impact. He discovered that marketing was about creating communication that makes a change happen. His parents were also strong influences in his life, both being teachers at Karamu and when they left to run their own businesses, he became a student of entrepreneurship learning through osmosis around the kitchen table listening to the conversations that took place at the end of the business day.

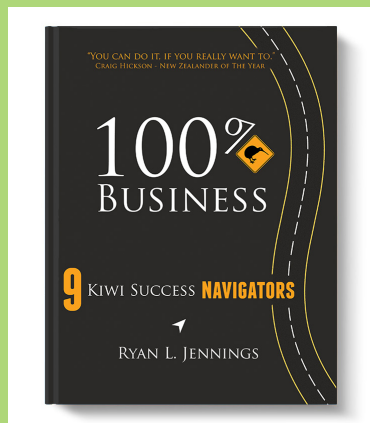
Ryan is currently the Executive Director of the **Buy New Zealand Made** campaign, working with manufacturers, producers, growers and exporters to gain market origin advantage for their products through the application of the globally recognised 'New Zealand Made' Kiwi trademark. Now in its 32nd year of operation the **Buy New Zealand Made** campaign was especially important, not only from a financial perspective during the covid-19 lockdown, but from a health perspective, as buying goods on the internet helped with social distancing. Ryan added "If you're buying online from a New Zealand manufacturer, you're likely to get it very quickly because you're not going to have any delays from an overseas deliverer or potential supply chain disruption"

Ryan loves playing on the edge where technology and business intersects. He believes there is a lot of opportunity in that area to provide value and value is something that people will bite your hand off for.

Ryan had previously worked with small to medium enterprises throughout New Zealand creating business and marketing strategies. Prior to that he held sales and marketing roles in London for UK headquartered global technology companies.

He is the author of **100% Kiwi Business : 9 Kiwi Success Navigators** based on 100 interviews with New Zealand CEOs and business owners. He recently donated two copies to the school, of which we are sure will be well used by our budding entrepreneurs and business studies students.

Ryan sights New York based marketing genius Seth Godin as an inspiration who lives by the phrase 'turn ideas into action'. In Ryan's spare time he loves to keep active, having completed The New York Marathon and on a slightly more casual level do the great nature walks around New Zealand. Something he declares that his 17 year old self would have thought was the most boring thing to do on the planet! #ProudlyKaramu



TIRA ORA

Leon Birnie (Attended 1990-1995)

A student in the 90s and Sports Coordinator in the early 2000s Leon is a proud Karamu High School alumnus. Having been a successful football player himself, representing Napier City Rovers, Hawke's Bay across multiple age groups, and he was selected into the NZU20's Men's National Squad. Leon's most recent success has been in coaching. His passion for coaching could well have stemmed from his Year 12 and 13 years at Karamu High School where he was often given leadership roles during physical education, outdoor education and sport & recreation classes. When he left school, he was looking at becoming a teacher but before he had a chance to apply a football coaching role become available and after 18 years with Central Football and HB United, as well as higher opportunities with New Zealand Football, as they say, 'the rest is history'.

Leon coached the New Zealand under-20 team at the World Cup in 2016, but under Leon's guidance the Young Football Ferns set a new benchmark for New Zealand age-group teams at the U17 World Cup in 2018 by not only making it out of their group but stunning Japan in the quarterfinals and beating Canada in the bronze medal match in Uruguay. Leon rates this as his proudest moment in football as this is the first time any New Zealand team (both male or female at any age) has achieved a medal.

That unprecedented success saw Leon nominated as a finalist for coach of the year at the Halberg Awards and led to multiple offers from overseas. "I was approached from a couple of overseas federations around coaching roles which it was nice to receive those offers. For the first time in my life moving overseas was something that I've really had to consider, but at the moment I really enjoy living in New Zealand and working with Kiwi players," he said. In March 2019 Leon was reappointed as coach of the U17 team.

"Players coming through the system can now see what is achievable and if you work hard and that's what you want to achieve, you can actually do it with New Zealand on the world stage, and I think it's really exciting for the next group of players to try and replicate that."

Leon shares he feels he was probably led into a coaching career as he always played and was around football from a very early age, a big part of everyday life when growing up, leading to a love of the sport from a playing perspective, which then accompanied a passion to coach.

He always enjoyed trying to help people become better - not only as athletes but as people. Obviously a real 'people person' Leon cites his mum and dad as the strongest influence on his career, being a very good sounding board when needed to help shape decisions and direction across the years. Then later in his career Central Football Federation Development Manager Brett Angel was a mentor who helped develop him further not only as a coach but as a manager, which he is now putting into practice as Central Football Community Development Manager.

Leon finds being involved in football in Hawke's Bay a lifestyle and often finds himself involved in football outside of work, but in addition to this he loves to spend a lot of time with his family, including his wonderful kids Harper and Grayson and gets joy being around them and watching them grow-up which as we all know happens way too fast. #ProudlyKaramu



STUDENT SUCCESS.....

Junior High 100% Attendance

During Junior High a wero or challenge was set for students to aim for 100% attendance. All of those that reached the target were in the draw to win a bike kindly donated by Steve Humphreys from Pedal Power Avanti Plus Taradale.

Attendance at school is the biggest determinant of success. If children attend they more likely to learn, to be involved, to have great friends, to have good relationships with teachers and have a deep sense of whanaungatanga. We were lucky to not only draw for the bike, but were also kindly donated vouchers by Ocean Spa and Splash Planet.

Pictured winning the bike is Danni McNaught with Mr Elijah Martin who was called to draw the winners as an acknowledgement of his contribution to the Mitre 10 Championship Winning Magpies Team 2020.



Girls Cricket

Three Karamu girls have been selected to represent Hawke's Bay in the Year 9/10 (U15) cricket team.

They are Olivia Wigzell, Isabelle Dillon and Ana Kendrick. They have had two successful warm up games in preparation for their tournament from the 14 -16 December.



Touch

Reiley Bartlett (Ngāti Kahungunu) along with **Ranche Honotapu** (Ngāti Pāhauwera), **Holand Marsh** (Ngāti Kahungunu) and **Parish Kelly-Harmer** all represented Te Matau A Maui Wahine at the National Māori Touch Tournament in Rotorua from the 5 - 6 December.

Reiley was named player of the tournament.



St Johns

Congratulations to Cadet **Emily Martin** (Year 11) who was named in the Nationals squad following Regional Representative Squad (RSS) selections at MiCamp.

Emily will represent our region at the 2021 National Youth Festival at Te Whanganui-a-Tara (Wellington).

Softball

Congratulations to **Cruz Hapuku** (Ngāti Kahungunu) and **TK Nuku-Barnes** who have been selected in the Hawke's Bay U15 Boys Squad.

STUDENT SUCCESS.....

Robotics

Mary-Jane Richards (Ngāti Kahungunu, Ngāti Porou) has once again been part of a winning robotics team, this time winning the core values trophy at the National FLL challenge.

Mary-Jane and her team of Luca Te Whiu and Khan Smith travelled to Auckland to compete, and were hoping to build on their win from 2019 when they earned the right to travel to the World FLL Championships in Houston, Texas in April this year.

However, due to covid-19 these were postponed and they hope to travel in 2021.



2021 PERFORMING ARTS PROGRAMME

2020 has been a year of many disappointments due to the impact of the global pandemic covid-19, including in March the decision to cancel the performance of the school show The Addams Family. At that stage it was forecast it may be performed in 2021.

The Performing Arts Team have recently met to plan the 2021 performing arts programme.

Unfortunately, performing The Addams Family in 2021 is no longer viable due to personnel, musical and licensing restrictions. The full 2021 performing arts programme therefore has been reviewed (in light of the on/off year of previous models) and the following main events have been proposed to occur in 2021:

- Term 1: Sheilah Winn Drama Competition
Performing Arts Tour (2-3 days)
- Term 2: ShowQuest Competition
- Term 3: School Show (all student involved in The Addams will be involved if they wish)
Performing Arts Interhouse Week (newly introduced in 2020)
- Term 4: Performing Arts Evening to Whanau

We are committed to showcasing the arts at Karamu and in 2021 are excited about welcoming new dance, music and Māori performing arts staff to the team. Alongside our current staff, students and community support we know we will continue to fulfil our vision of Proudly Karamu, Proudly Hastings and Proudly Learning in the Arts.

Should you wish to discuss any of the above please do not hesitate to contact the school.



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
Your learning , eg. classwork and assessment	Your teacher	Your dean	Ms Gunn, 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 Rolls 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
A learning problem , eg. classwork and assessment	The dean	Ms Gunn, Deputy Principal Curriculum & Assessment	Mrs Thomas 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 Rolls 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	

YEAR LEVEL DEANS 2020

At Karamu High School, our year level deans play an important role in the pastoral care of your sons and daughters. Our year level deans for 2020 are listed below for your information. Please email your child's dean or phone 878 7139 and leave a message, if you wish to contact them.

Year 9 Deans



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Year 10 Deans



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