KARAMU KORERO

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Uniform Shop Hours

Wednesdays

1.15-2.00pm

3.00-4.00pm

Dates to Remember

Sunday 25 April
ANZAC DAY

Monday 3 May
Term 2 Starts

Wednesday 19 May
Teacher Only Day

Monday 7 June

Queen's Birthday

1 - 3 July Fiddler on the Roof

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HASTINGS YOUTH COUNCIL

We are extremely excited to be well represented on the Hastings Youth Council this year.

Made up of 19 members, aged between 15 and 23, six of whom are returning from last year, the youth council is responsible for creating dynamic engagement opportunities for young people to participate in, be heard and be involved in community activities and government decisions.

Having five of the 19 being Karamu High School students is reflective of our long-standing involvement in local body politics. We have confidence Keelan Heesterman, Esta Chaplin, Daniel O'Connell, Calais Byrne and Lena Ormsby will represent the school, their whanau and the Hastings community with pride.

We are exceptionally proud to have Keelan, returning for his second year on the council, elected as chairperson. Keelan believes the real opportunity for the youth council to make a difference lies in making submissions on council projects, sitting at sub-committee tables and advocating for young people. "On top of that, our role is to come up with better and more streamlined ways to support rangatahi in Heretaunga.

"My vision is that in 2021 we can really get our teeth into council policy, and build our reputation as a youth body that provides considered and relevant ideas and perspectives on how we deal with the issues facing our region, particularly in regards to our young people."

Hastings councillor Wendy Schollum says she is excited to work alongside and mentor the youth council again in 2021. "While youth councils around New Zealand have had mixed success, with many models being well-meaning tokenism, the Hastings Youth Council has adopted a new model that looks set to pave the way for other regions."

Developed and driven by the youth councillors, the model continues to build credibility and respect for the views of Hastings rangatahi through considered youth council planning, succession active participation in policy debate on council sub-committees and formal submissions during consultation. council (edited and shared from HBApp)



PROUDLY KARAMU P R O U D L Y H A S T I N G S P R O U D L Y L E A R N I N G

PRINCIPAL

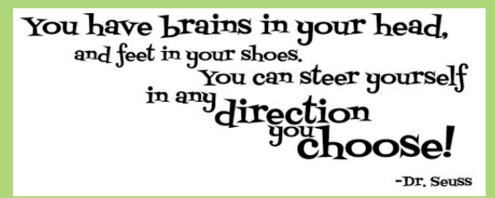
As we come to the end of Term 1 I recently asked the junior school to reflect on what they have accomplished so far this year.

Had they taken every opportunity to make good choices? Whether it was in the classroom, around the school grounds or on the sports field. Had they chosen friends wisely? Had they chosen when to uphold the school values or not? And had they chosen to be the best version of themselves?

I shared when I was a child, then when I was a mother and now that I am a grandmother, one of my favorite authors has always been Dr. Seuss. The writer of *Green Eggs and Ham, The Cat in the Hat, One Fish, Two Fish, Red Fish, Blue Fish* and of course *How the Grinch Stole Christmas* are classics.

But one of my favorites as I 'grew up' would have to be *Oh the Places You'll Go* and how I started to enjoy the value of this book so much more as my journey through school, university and jobs 'took me places'.

There is a quote in this book that I asked them to consider



I believe every single one of our students can choose a great direction, whether that is their friends, their actions or the values they uphold. For some they just need to **start** doing it and as the student leaders have challenged us:

"You don't have to be great to start but you have to start to be great"

Whether your child has made a great start to the year or not, support them in where they go next. Every child has a wonderful pathway ahead of them and they can choose many directions to go but as the adults in their lives we do need to help them. They may steer the waka but we can be a great coach, a great support crew and a great bailer when things don't quite go right. High school is not the time to be 'hands off'. Praise them in what is a good decision and guide them when its perhaps not.

I congratulate all our students that have had success this term. From our canoe polo sides, our debators, Ethin Templeton in the RSA Speech Competition, Simon Dziubek in fencing, to our dancers in the Mafia Dance Family all of you made me Proudly Karamu. I look forward to Term 2 as we work towards our school production of Fiddler on the Roof, winter sports kicking off and everyone getting stuck into using the "brains in their heads" for great learning.

Over the upcoming holiday period I encourage you to please spend some special time as whanau together for ANZAC day to honour those that died serving our country and those returned and current servicemen and women, past and present.

They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old:
Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.
At the going down of the sun and in the morning,
We will remember them.

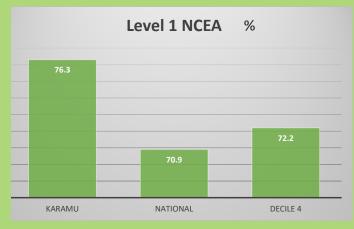


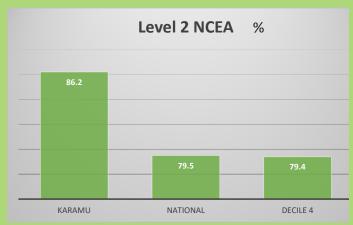


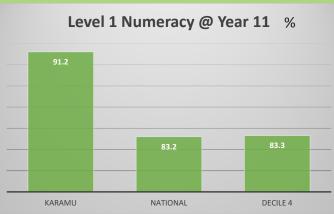
Nga mihi nui Mrs Dionne Thomas Principal

2020 NCEA Results

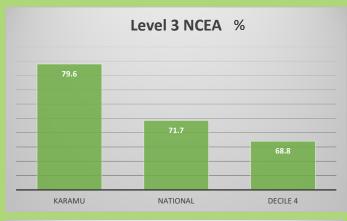
We are excited to share our NCEA results from last year, where it is pleasing to see across all levels we are punching above national results and our decile range (NB: Karamu High School is a Decile 4 school on the National Decile rating which is a measure of the socio-economic position of a school's student community relative to other schools throughout the country). We also had notable improvements in achievement rates of Maori students at NCEA Level 2 (an increase of over 5% from 2019), Level 3 (an increase of over 10%) and in University Entrance (an increase of over 20%). Raising Level 1 NCEA Maori Achievement is a focus for 2021 and so we look forward to pursuing this following the introduction of initiatives such as the Maori mentor and Puhoro STEM this year.





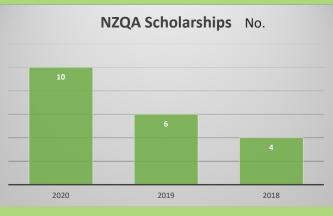












DEPUTY PRINCIPAL - CURRICULUM

Most Year 11 and 12 parents and whanau have recently taken up the opportunity to attend a learning conference with their child and form teacher. Goals have been set and now we will work together to see how best to achieve these goals.

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
- Meeting regular milestones
- Completion and submission of assessment

The school has several systems in place to support students to achieve their goals including:

Autumn School: This is an opportunity for students to catch up on work in a supportive learning environment, with teacher assistance, digital resources and wifi accessibility. This will run in the second week of the school holidays on Wednesday 28 April and Thursday 29 April from 9:00am - 3:00pm. We look forward to helping students catch up on work to ensure they are less stressed and in a better position to achieve their NCEA qualifications. If your child is required to attended Autumn School a letter will be sent home in the last week of term.

Information on the school website: Students and parents are encouraged to track success through the KAMAR Portal on our website. Also on the website in the Academic section are a series of useful documents including NCEA for Parents and Students, Extension Forms, Appeals, the NCEA Exam Timetable for 2021. 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.

Homework Club: As mentioned in Issue 1, our Academic Leaders have started the year running Homework Club each Tuesday and Thursday after school during term time for any students who want help or just need a quiet place to work with WIFI. Alongside continued support from teachers and home we believe every student can achieve their personal best if they invest in themselves first.

Sarah Gunn Deputy Principal



Gabriel Barlow - Photography Camp



Moe Harleen Singh Bhandal - Photography Camp

DEPUTY PRINCIPAL - STUDENT MANAGEMENT

As the weather gets cooler approaching the end of Term 1 please ensure that your child's jersey and jacket are named. This allows us to return them immediately if misplaced.

The general attendance of all year levels has been very good so far this term. All students should be aiming for 90% attendance or better. Many have recorded 100% which is to be congratulated. If a student's attendance drops below 85% then an attendance letter will be sent to parents. Therefore if your child is away for any reason please ring the attendance line on 870 6143.

Winter sports codes are in the preparation phase with trials being held in most codes, so once again please make sure all sports gear is named. We have been very pleased with the behaviour and respect shown by our Year 9 intake this year. They have certainly bought into our culture here at Karamu, long may it last.

If you have any concerns around your child's welfare at Karamu please contact me to discuss this.

Wayne Wooster Deputy Principal

DEPUTY PRINCIPAL

As part of their science and social sciences curriculum, 9GDA and 9TOW took the opportunity to further their understanding through a visit to Napier last Thursday.

The day started with a trip across to the National Aquarium for the science aspect of the day, starting with penguin feeding and getting to better understand penguins different habitats, and environmental impacts on their food sources and colonies around Aotearoa's coastline. There were several interesting questions from Charlee- Marie Forbes, and Daniel Morrison also helped with his knowledge on the Waimanu Giant Penguin. There was the chance to look at tuatara and kiwi up close, including the 3rd eye on the tuatara and the textures and scale of the kiwi and it's egg. It was great to see the depth of knowledge of the

students, who all contributed to the question-and-answer sessions.

We then moved down towards the soundshell and onto the pier. Mr Willis talked about the important historical aspects of the region, from the arrival of Takitimu and Kahungunu and then later Captain Cook, and the more recent visits from a German U-boat during WWII. Again, the knowledge of some of our students came to the fore, especially Jahvahn Arahanga with his knowledge of the area.

After this we went to Ocean Spa to cool off and enjoy a wellearned swim, and lunch. The group represented the school with pride, and we had several positive comments from the public on how well behaved and engaged the group were.



A massive thanks to the staff who joined me on the trip; Mr Davies, Mr Willis and Phoebe Hinton.

Damien Hollands Deputy Principal

TIRA ORA

'Tira Ora' is the name given to the branchlet of the Karamu tree, so an ideal name for branchlets or students of Karamu. Here we share the journey of one of our Tira Ora

Peter Beaven (Attended 1963 - 1967)

Peter started at Karamu in 1963 when there was only a third and a fourth form. He ponders the influence it had on them as pupils not having a senior school to look up to but considering the size of the roll in those days (only 13 pupils in seventh form) there were some high achievers. Two boys who started on the same day as him and became close lifelong friends were Sir Paul Holmes, and Mike Williams who became President of the New Zealand Labour Party and one of New Zealand's leading political strategists and commentators. Other peers were minister in the Lange government David Butcher (covered in Karamu Korero Term 3 2020)' and Gavin Scott, Hollywood script writer.

After leaving Karamu Peter went to Victoria University to study law but after three years as a solicitor realised a career in law was not his calling.

He taught for a few years including at Karamu where in his first year he was even given a form class that included his own brother.

From here he moved to Auckland in the 1980s where he and a friend established a business managing customer databases, organising consumer research and direct mail. In the 1980s personal computers were developing processing and storage capacity at a very fast rate and companies such as Microsoft and Apple were establishing themselves as market leaders. The internet was a fledgling concept. These developments meant many new opportunities in the advertising and communications fields. Their biggest projects were the Telecom Sharefloat and the 1987 election campaign.

In the 1990s he sold his share of the business and returned to Hawke's Bay with his young family and bought an orchard. A few years later he was appointed Chief Executive of Pipfruit New Zealand, the industry body for apple and pear growers, packers and marketers. It was during this time that New Zealand finally got access to both the Australian and Japanese markets. He was also elected President of the World Apples and Pears Association from 2013 - 2015.

In 2013 Peter was elected to the Hawke's Bay Regional Council which is responsible for environmental management - water quality and allocation, erosion and flood control, biodiversity and eco system health. He chaired the joint committee of three councils which developed a one-hundred-year strategy to manage coastal erosion.

Peter has now retired to Mangawhai Heads, north of Auckland but still takes an interest in news from Hawke's Bay.

His advice to young people as they commence their search for career paths is to keep their eyes on the horizon - half the jobs and opportunities they will experience during their careers have not yet been invented.

#ProudlyLearning



TIRA ORA

In this issue of Karamu Korero we showcase Karamu's second year, the Year 1963

1963

Principal:

First Assistant:

Senior Mistress:

Hastings High School Board of Governors:

School Roll:

Staff:

General Excellence Recipient:

Mr N Wilde

Mr R W S Fargher

Miss G K I Harris

Mr N B Fippard

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Raumoa Ormsby

Shona Thompson

School:

- On 26 February 1963 the Minister of Education the Hon. Mr Blair Tennent officially opened Karamu High School. The school was blessed by Rev. H. A Mitchell;
- The new half of B block was just meeting the schools requirements; C block construction started in May
- Zoning was introduced as the school did not have enough facilities for the number wishing to enrol;
- A gala was held in April with funds raised (£350 pounds) for purchasing books for the library and sports equipment; a paper drive was also held (3½ ton was collected)
- Two school dances were held, with boys from Lindisfarne & Hastings Boys High School to increase male numbers. On both occasions music was provided by "Statesides";
- The first Karamu choir was formed, but it was noted more members of the "stronger sex" were wanted to boost the bass line!
- Able to field a soccer team and hold athletic sports

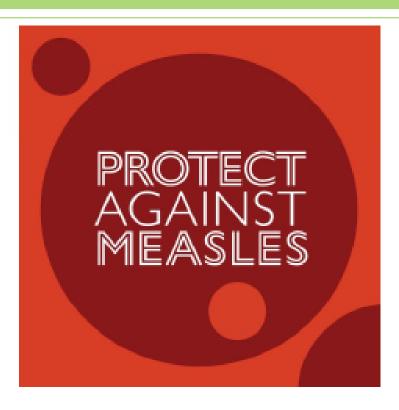


OFFICIAL OPENING OF SCHOOL Han. W. B. Tennent, Minister of Education, Mr. R. V. Glorgi, Mayor of Hastings, Mr. N. Fippard, Chairman, Beard of Governors, Mr. N. Wilde, Principal.



SCHOOL ATHLETIC SPORTS
At the tape for the final of the Junior 75 yards.
Left to Right: L. pillon, H. Grant, M. Leon.

HEALTH NEWS



Dear Parents and Caregivers

Many young people missed out on measles, mumps and rubella (MMR) immunisation as children. To stop future outbreaks, from Term 2 students are being offered a FREE vaccine at school to help protect them against measles, mumps and rubella.

Most young people will have been given at least one dose of MMR in early childhood. However, changes to the Immunisation Schedule in 2001 and less effective reminder systems before 2005 mean that many teenagers and young adults are not fully protected. Not only will they be protecting themselves against a disease that's even more contagious than COVID-19, they will also be protecting your whanau, community, and future generations from harm.

If you have come from overseas, including the Pacific Islands, different vaccines may have been given which means your child may not be protected against measles, mumps and rubella.

If you're not sure or can't find records, the Ministry of Health recommends having the MMR vaccine. Please also speak with your GP.

It's also free at your GP or participating pharmacies.

Consent forms will be coming home with more information soon.

In the meantime further information is available:

- ProtectAgainstMeasles.org.nz.
- Your School Public Health Nurse or
- Amber Copper, MMR Nurse (Public Health) Child Health Team. 027 2466910.

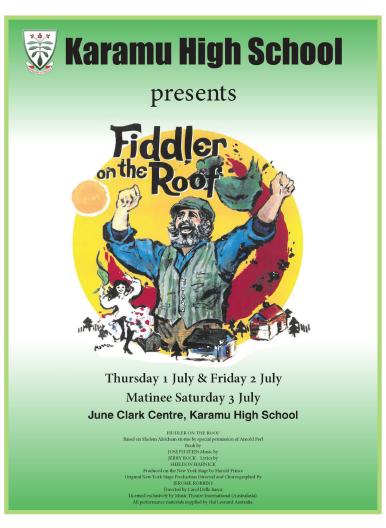
POLICY REVIEW

As part of our passion to be better we are currently reviewing the policy "Home Learning" (Homework) and seek parent voice. Please follow these instructions to give feedback:

- 1. Visit the website https://karamu.schooldocs.co.nz/1893.htm
- 2. Enter the username (karamu) and password (knowledge).
- 3. Follow the link to the relevant policy as listed.
- 4. Read the policy.
- 5. Click the Policy Review button at the top right-hand corner of the page.
- 6. Select the reviewer type "Parent".
- 7. Enter your name (optional).
- 8. Submit your ratings and comments.

SCHOOL PRODUCTION

Fiddler on the Roof is the story of life in a small Russian Shtetl in 1905, when Russia was still an empire, ruled by Tsar Nicholas II, head of the dictatorial Romanov dynasty.



Tevye, a poor Jewish peasant living in Anatevka is faced with the challenge of marrying off his five daughters amidst the growing tension in his village.

STUDENT LEADERS



Head Students:

Sophie Brookes (Deputy Head), Paige Flashoff (Head), Keelan Heesterman (Head), and Jacob Reeve (Deputy Head)

It is with pleasure we introduce our Year 13 student leaders for 2021. This group of exceptional students have repeatedly demonstrated the attributes and qualities of leadership that make them valuable members of the Karamu High School and wider Hastings community. They exemplify our school values and what it means to be Proudly Karamu. This group has once again set the school a wero or challenge using the words of Zig Ziglar, American author, salesman, and motivational speaker.

You don't have to be **great** to **start**, but you have to **start** to be **great**



Academic Leaders: Kendra Coombe, Ethin Templeton, Hayley Smith

STUDENT LEADERS



Community Leaders: Marcus Krekeler, Emily Brookes, Kade Lindsay

Cultural Leaders: Cherish Maui



Cultural Leaders:

Rameka Pohatu-Hawkins
(Ngāti Kahungunu ki Te Wairoa, Ngāti Pāhauwera)



Performing Arts Leaders: Jennifer Boyd & Michael Tapson



Sport Leaders: Rana Cetinturk and Hannah Hunt



House Leaders: Joel Tawera (Ngāti Kahungunu), Maia Colman-Savage (Tainui), Ruby Schmidt, Timara Stevens-Lett, Elijah Casson, Cameron Orr, Jade Edmonds (Ngāti Porou), LJ Henderson-Ereatara (Ngāti Kahungunu, Ngāti Porou, Tūhoe)

ACADEMIC INSTITUTE

The Academic Institute is for members who gain an Excellence Endorsement at Level One or Level Two.

It has two key roles; to acknowledge and celebrate outstanding academic achievement and encourage and support further academic achievement. The Academic Institute members are also encouraged to give academic tutoring and mentoring to other students around the school.

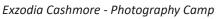
The 2021 Academic Institute members are:-

Year 12: Jack Arcus, Hayley Austin, Amy Bagley, Cody Baker, Gabriel Barlow, Maia Bassett, Kyra Byers, Pollyanna Colquhoun, Braden Cooper, Dylan Costello, Cora Davison, Janine de Wit, Annabel Elmsly, Rhiannon Groen, Nicole Lawas, Sascha MacDonald, Katrina Marks, Ruby McEvoy, Liana McGregor, Ryleigh Monk, Mollie Motley, Sasha Sharma.

Year 13: Emily Brookes, Elijah Casson, Rana Cetinturk, Kendra Coombe, Paige Dempsey, Paige Flashoff, Bree Gibson, Keelan Heesterman, Kade Lindsay, Abigail McEvoy, Lily Skews, Hayley Smith, Joel Tawera, Ethin Templeton.









Manu Edwards - Photography Camp



Brianna McNaught - Photography Camp

POETRY

In the English faculty, we love to take the opportunity to learn about our students at the start of each year. This year, our Year 10 students looked at George Ella Lyon's poem 'Where I am from'. We all had some fun thinking about our past and looking at significant memories that shape who we are. Here is a lovely example from one of our students.

I am from stuffed animals.

From cheap perfume and dusty books.

I am from empty boxes and packed bags.

I am from the mighty kauri tree,

whose hidden, fragile roots need nuturing in order to thrive.

I am from witchcraft,

from Tuhoe and Ruapani.

Core memories I struggle to recount; involuntary amnesia.

I am from the failed attempts of a relationship rebuilt,

and the strums of Kurt Cobain's guitar ringing through our house.

I am from knocks on the door at stupid o'clock,

And the temporary euphoria of an outside exit.

I am from me.

Anonymous



Tamsyn Mercer - Photography Camp

SOFTBALL

In the battle of the high schools (as the other sides were club sides) Karamu took on Napier Boys High School for 3rd v 4th in the final of the Under 18 Softball Competition on 20 March. Karamu came back from a slow start, being down 7-3 to be even at 7-7 before finally going down by one in the last innings 8-7.

It was a great team effort, and player of the day went to Josh Stephens for his amazing outfield catches. The team was a great mix of enthusiastic players including catcher Thomas Haszard, regular pitcher Corey Sullivan (Ngāti Kahungunu, Ngāti Tūwharetoa) on the bases Quinn O'Gorman, Sebastian Theobold and Kate Moore, in short stop Samuel Somerville-Ryan and in the outfield Kadence Wilson (Ngāti Kahungunu), Braden Cooper, Jared Anderson (Ngāti Kahungunu, Ngāti Tūwharetoa, Ngāti Maniapoto), Josh Stephens and Abad Miah.



The team was coached by Whaea Racheal Tuika and Mr Shane Sullivan and supported by scorer Mr Mark Rolls. Bring on Term 4!

ATHLETICS SPORTS

Athletics Champions Girls				Athletics Champions Boys		
Place	Year 9	Year 10	Senior	Year 9	Year 10	Senior
1st	Holly Bruce	Brenda-Lee Randell Anastasia Teofilo	Harmony Kautai	Balin Casson	Alron Rajal	Joel Tawera
2nd	Kimberly-Ann Blakesley		Keighan Hikawai McIntyre	Jamie Edwards	Draylon Daley	Cole Whateley
3rd	Ella Boyd	Renee Doole	Maddy Hughes	Darrius Edwards	Kaedyn Beazley	Jamie Nuku



















CANOE POLO

At the Hawke's Bay Secondary School Canoe Polo Championships held on the weekend of 6/7 March Karamu High School successfully gained double gold in both the Senior Girls and Senior Boys grades.

Both teams, proudly coached by ex-students Ethan Hope and Phoebe Hinton, were confident as they were unbeaten heading into their respective finals, but were ecstatic to come away with convincing wins.

In the girls finals it was a repeat of the 2020 final against Havelock North, but was a convincing win 4-1, with 2 goals to Year 13 student Megan Godwin. Maddy Hughes and Bella Casson scored one goal apiece.

In the boys final it was a great day on the water for Year 12 student Jack Brookes with two goals, to win 5-2 over Havelock North High School.

These two teams were joined by the Karamu High Junior Boys team (who claimed bronze with a whopping 14-4 over St Johns College) and the Junior Girls team at the National Secondary School Championships from 19-21 March at the Hawke's Bay Mitre 10 Sports Park.

The junior teams were both able to garner good development against several strong schools and finished 7th (girls) and 5th (boys). This is promising for our canoe polo future.

The senior boys side were in a strong open competition with each game being decided in most cases by one goal. Unfortunately, on a count back they missed out on semi-final spot, but finished a strong 5th with a 2-0 win over St Johns College to be the top placed Hawke's Bay school in this grade.

The highlight of the three-day tournament was the senior girls repeating their regional success and claiming gold again in the Senior Girls grade. In an unbeaten run they beat Feilding High School 6-2 in the final. The team was strongly led by captain Megan Godwin and sports leader Hannah Hunt, who were fittingly farewelled with Year 13 boys players Sam Williams and Elijah Casson with a rousing school haka.

Megan, Hannah and Year 12 Hayley Austin joined Year 12 Jack Brookes as being named in the tournament teams. Huge thanks go out to our canoe polo families that commit many hours of support to these teams.









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 Managment
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 Managment		
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 2021

At Karamu High School, our year level deans play an important role in the pastoral care of your child. Our year level deans for 2021 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



Tash Crawford tcrawford@karamu.school.nz

Year 10 Deans



Emma Wiggins ewiggins@karamu.school.nz Acting Dean for Term 2

Year 11 Deans



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Year 12 Deans



Stacey Cornelius

Year 13 Deans



Jasmine Primmer jprimmer@karamu.school.nz



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Colin Rafferty



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