

KARAMU KORERO

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Uniform Shop Hours

Wednesdays

1:15-2:00pm

3:00-4:00pm

Dates to Remember

12-13 April Year 9 Hearing Testing

Thursday 14 April End of Term One

20 April - 23 April Duke of Edinburgh Silver Trip

> Monday 2 May Start of Term Two

Thursday 12 May Year 13 Cabaret

Monday 9 May **Teacher Only Day**

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Silver Lining at Nationals

Both of our canoe polo teams have ended a challenging season with podium finishes at the New Zealand Secondary School Championships. Both the junior boys team and the senior girls team came second in their respective divisions. The championships, held at the Mitre 10 Regional Sports Park at the end of March, had 22 teams from 11 schools across four divisions. It is great recognition of all the hard work the players, coaches and managers have put in this vear.

"Karamu has a strong and proud history in canoe polo and gaining two silver medals at the national champs is a great result. It shows the school continues to perform very well at the regional and national level." says Karamu Sports Development Trust Chairperson Mat Arcus. With players out in both teams with Covid-19 and injuries, the teams were very pleased with their success.

For senior girls coach, teacher aide and old girl Phoebe Hinton, seeing the team continue to perform at a prominent level is "phenomenal". "Karamu is an excellent school for canoe polo. I cannot remember the last time our senior girls' team did not finish on the podium at nationals."

She credits the team's success to the players' close relationships both in and out of the water. "Playing alongside your mates pushes you to really dig deep and find that extra 10 per cent when you are feeling tired, or things are not going as planned. On top of this, the leadership from our senior players is invaluable and creates a positive learning environment for our year 10's and 11's, which helped us big time this season."

Mr Arcus, agrees saying the support of the school makes an enormous difference to the kids who really lifted to hear them cheering them on. "There is a strong school spirit which saw both teams support each other's games as well as a number of ex-students, current teachers and the school principal show up to support the games."

The dedication of the coaches and players to trainings that started late last year has provided a strong base to build on. Junior boys coach Mr Brookes also says. "Being able to get quality training at the new sports park facility over the last couple of seasons has really helped Karamu and Hawke's Bay Canoe Polo". Funding received from First Light Community Foundation for a 20ft container and ongoing support from Apollo Projects for additional equipment will continue to see students well supported in Canoe Polo. (Article abridged from Astrid Austin)



PROUDLY KARAMU

PROUDLY HASTINGS

PROUDLY LEARNING

PRINCIPAL

Naku te rourou nau te rourou ka ora ai te iwi

With your basket and my basket the people will live.

This term we have once again been called upon to be 'agile', 'flexible' and 'adaptable'. But once again I think we have done a very good job. But it is not a job we have done alone. We have done it with tremendous support from you - our whanau and community. Thank you for your support in allowing us to continue as much as possible to provide a safe, relationship and kanohi ki te kanohi (face to face) based education for your children.

We have really appreciated your efforts in

- Advising us of positive student cases
- Letting us know of household contacts
- Keeping sick children (or children with symptoms) at home
- Allowing us to roster home a year level a day
- Supporting online learning with spaces and resources

As a staff we have found this term challenging but have also taken the wero ourselves of "Not limiting our challenges, but challenging our limits".



By diving into hybrid teaching (providing both online and face to face), still providing Wai Wero (formally Swimming Sports) & Athletic Sports, dressing up for Free Dress Day, still heading out for EOTC opportunities where we could and continuing to reach out to whanau as often as possible.

I have loved the opportunity to talk to whanau on the phone, visit homes with kai parcels, watch canoe polo through the fence and still enjoy just hanging out with the 60% that have been at school. But I long for Term 2 to be a school with 90% attendance, full of watching winter sport and cultural activities, engaging with passionate learning and greeting parents coming in for events.

Thank you for your continued support and please all enjoy a safe and well-deserved break over Easter.

Ngā mihi o te aranga kia koutou katoa

Mrs Dionne Thomas Principal



NCEA ENDORSEMENT ASSEMBLIES

On Thursday 24 February (Year 12) and Tuesday 1 March (Year 13) we held our NCEA Endorsement assemblies to acknowledge the students who achieved NCEA Level endorsements. A total of 71 endorsements were achieved at Level 1, 50 at Level 2 and 21 at Level 3.

Our top students at each level based on their internal and external results from 2021 were also acknowledged. These were:

Year 10:Milly PetrieLevel 1:Emma RenallLevel 2:Annabel Elmsly ; andLevel 3:Stella HintonStella also received The Karamu High SchoolCup for Level Three Humanities.



Our scholarship recipient was also acknowledged. Keelan Heesterman gained an outstanding scholarship in History and a scholarship in Media Studies. Teachers that supported Keelan have been individually acknowledged.

NCEA RESULTS 2021

We are excited to share our NCEA results from last year, where it is pleasing to see across all levels we are punching above both 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). Our results over the last 5 or 6 years have also been on the upward trend.

We also had notable improvements in achievement rates of Māori students. Raising Level 1 NCEA Māori Achievement was a goal in 2021 and it will continue to be a focus for 2022. We look forward to this continued success following the introduction of initiatives such as the Nga Pou Kaiarahi (previously referred to as Māori Mentors) and Puhoro STEMM, and new initiatives around attendance and communication with home.



NCEA RESULTS 2021







ACADEMIC INSTITUTE

The Academic Institute's role is to acknowledge and celebrate outstanding academic achievement and encourage and support further academic achievement. Students who gain NCEA with Excellence at Level 1 or 2 are invited to join.

The first event was held on Wednesday 23 March where we had the pleasure of 2016 head student Isla Christensen speak to the students at their inaugural event.

Isla shared a wonderful journey of learning, including her current position at Fisher & Paykel and working for Nanogirl, alongside completing her Masters study. She talked about success being a combination of taking opportunities and being prepared (with a great attitude).

Always fantastic to have Tira Ora come back - even virtually!





2022 ACADEMIC INSTITUTE MEMBERS



POLICY REVIEWS

A further reminder that this year we will be reviewing the Health, Safety, and Welfare Policy section throughout the year, but in Term 1 the focus is on the Health and Safety Management and Emergency, Disaster, and Crisis Management sections.

Reviews are open to board, staff, and parents/caregivers/whānau.

- Key review topics contain important information and/or school-specific content.
- **Optional review** topics contain helpful supporting information but little or no school-specific content.

To start reviewing:

- 1. Visit the website <u>https://karamu.schooldocs.co.nz/1893.htm</u>
- 2. Enter the username (karamu) and password (knowledge).
- 3. Click on the link to the **Review** topic that has a P listed beside it.
- 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/Caregiver).
- 7. Enter your name (optional).
- 8. Submit your ratings and comments.

UPDATE ON MR WOOSTER



I am pleased to share Mr Wayne Wooster (Deputy Principal) has continued to make pleasing progress since the beginning of the year when I advised he was quite unwell.

While remaining hospitalized for a period, I am pleased to report he has now headed home. I have continued to visit him, sharing messages from school and updating him on all our news.

We are still unlikely to see him return to school in the immediate future and therefore Mr Tom Blake and Mrs Tash Crawford will continue in their roles of taking over next level pastoral issues.

Please continue to make contact with your child's Year Level Dean in the first instance if you have any concerns (please refer to the back page of this Karamu Korero for more information).



MY WAY

The Hawke's Bay Regional Council (HBRC) are trialling a new kind of public transport called MyWay to fit your life, to make it easier and simpler for you to get around Hastings.

MyWay is an on-demand service replacing routes 16A, 16B, and 17 in Hastings. You'll be able to get to more parts of Hastings. The trial is starting on 6 June 2022. We are aware a small number of our students use this service and so should be aware of this change.





How it Works

You can order the bus using an app or over the phone. MyWay uses technology to match customers travelling in the same direction and works out a flexible route to pick you up and drop you off close to your destination. If you're using the app, you'll be able to track the vehicle and get updates on your arrival in real time.

MyWay reaches the Hastings urban areas including Camberley, Raureka, Akina, Parkvale, St Leonards, Mayfair, Mahora, Frimley, and the CBD. Journeys are likely to be shorter and quicker than the current bus service, and let you get to more places in Hastings. The service will operate Monday to Friday, 6:00am to 6:00pm. A ride on MyWay will cost \$2, and will link into other bus services in wider Hastings and between Napier and Hastings. The service were service will be free for Gold Card users between 9am and 3pm.

The vehicles will be smaller than the current buses, seating 12 people in vans. HBRC will be testing and trialling things as they go to make sure MyWay works as smoothly as possible. They want to hear from you throughout so we know what we can do better, and if this service works for you and your whānau.

Why HBRC are doing this

Hawke's Bay Regional Council is committed to a sustainable future for Hawke's Bay, and supporting sustainable transport is just the beginning. They are trialling MyWay to encourage more people out of cars onto better buses. We want to see if our community finds it easy to use, likes it, and wants to see it stick around.

EVERY DAY MATTERS - ATTENDANCE

Keeping students in education is vital for their success at school and in later life. 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.

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 attendance 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 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 can respond to the text alert in the following ways:

- Reply to the text;
- Phone the absence line 06 870-6143; or
- Use the KAMAR App

so we can update our records and ensure students are safe.



Have you downloaded the School App?

Features of the Karamu High School App:

Parents: Alerts of Lockdown, Wet Weather early finish Students: Alerts from Sport Coaches, Academic and Cultural Quick Access: Daily Notices, School Calendar Latest News: Newsletters Links: Karamu Website, Mail, Library, Facebook, YouTube Term Dates, Absentee Line, School Contacts

Download SchoolAppsNZ from Google Play or the App Store. **To Setup:** Install and set your alert groups using the top left button. Remember to check these each year and subscribe to the correct alerts.

EVERY DAY MATTERS - HOW YOU CAN HELP

You can help us by contacting the school in advance if you know your child is going to be away. You can do this by either:

- Phoning the absence line on 06 870 6143 and leave a message; or
- Use the KAMAR App for absence;
- Use the School App and complete a pre-generated Email;
- Email your child's Dean; or
- Send in a note with your child to give to their Mentor.

You MUST advise *the reason* for your child being absent for us to complete our records as there are some reasons that are considered 'Justified' by the school and the Ministry of Education. Being unwell or attending a tangi are such reasons and will be recorded as a Justified Absence. If the reason given is not considered justified then the absence is recorded as Unjustified. If no reason is given at all then after a period of time the absence is recorded as 'Truant'.

Please talk with your child about their attendance. Praise them for high attendance and follow up when you find out about absences that you were not expecting. Please keep the school informed of any issues that are affecting their attendance and work with us to improve the attendance rate if it is unacceptable. If a Mentor teacher or Dean is making contact with you via email, text or phone call, please respond. We are here to provide support to improve attendance, to enhance engagement and achievement.

About being on time too:

Being punctual is also important. There are statistics that link lateness with poor achievement and so we seek your help in getting your student to school on time every day. This is also an important life skill and will be essential when they gain employment.

Current situation as at March 25, 2022:

Year Level	Attendance %
9	87.9
10	84.2
11	83.1
12	86.4
13	84.7



Lets all work together to get to 90% attendance!

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

Gavin Scott (Attended 1963-1964)

Born in Hull, Yorkshire, Gavin emigrated with his family to New Zealand in 1961. We were very lucky to have him attend Karamu for two years, before at the age of 17 he headed to the jungles of Borneo to spend a year as a volunteer teacher working with the children of head-hunters. At Karamu he particularly remembers being taught French by Mr Vogel and Geography by Mr. Werry. He remembers not getting on well especially with the English Department because Deputy Head Mr. Fargher would not put on the plays he was writing and was usually in trouble because his hair was too long, his socks never stayed up and he was always losing his school cap. The picture shows him (3rd from right, top row) beside his friends Conrad Pharazyn



and Selwyn June; Mike Williams and Peter Beaven (covered in previous Karamu Korero) are in the middle row.

He returned to New Zealand to study history and political science at the Victoria University of Wellington, and then journalism at the Wellington Polytechnic. Once married he and his wife Jane travelled overland to Britain then across Asia, through Sri Lanka, India, Kashmir, Pakistan, Afghanistan and Iran. In London Gavin worked for Shelter, the British housing charity, before joining the Times Educational Supplement, from which base he also wrote features for the London Times. For two years, while still with the TES, he freelanced for BBC Radio, and in 1975 became a regular reporter and presenter on Radio Four's World at One, PM. and World This Weekend programmes.



He is more commonly regarded as an English novelist, broadcaster and writer of the Emmywinning mini-series The Mists of Avalon, Small Soldiers, The Borrowers (starring John Goodman) and Legend of Earthsea. He spent ten years making films for British television before becoming a screenwriter, creating more than two hundred documentaries and short films for BBC and the commercial TV, including UK's prestigious Channel 4. His first assignment in the United States was with George Lucas, developing and scripting The Young Indiana Jones Chronicles. As you can see his work has ranged from family entertainment to comedy, science fiction and historical dramas. Gavin has also written Krakatoa, a Titanic-style movie for National Geographic Feature Films, and an eight-hour adaptation of War and Peace for Lux Vida SPA, directed by Robert Dornhelm (Into the West, The Ten Commandments).

He created and executive produced a 22-part television series set in the nineteenth century about the origins of the creative ideas of Jules Verne, which was broadcast around the world. In 2006, his children's film Treasure Island Kids: The Battle for Treasure Island, starring Randy Quaid, was released on DVD. After five years as a reporter and program anchor for BBC Radio, Gavin began in 1980 making films for BBC Television's Newsnight, covering literary as well as political subjects; among his interviewees, J.B. Priestley, Christopher Isherwood, Iris Murdoch and John Fowles. He then made documentaries on science and culture for series such as Horizon and Man Alive before joining Channel 4 News, for which he made films until 1990.

Gavin changed tack and stood as a Liberal at the Parliamentary Byelection for the Liberal/SDP Alliance and came within 2,600 votes of taking the seat from the Conservative candidate Virginia Bottomley who went on to serve in John Major's cabinet. It was during this time that he started writing novels, including Hot Pursuit, about a Russian satellite that crashed in New Zealand, and A Flight of Lies, about the hunt for the bones of Peking Man. He has recently written a Dickensian historical novel set in the nineteenth century, The Adventures of Toby Wey. More recently Gavin has been a sculptor, creating shadow boxes similar to those of Joseph Cornell, using mass-produced toys as his medium. One of his assemblages, reflecting life in New Zealand when he was going to Karamu in 1963, has been bought by the New Zealand government. He lives with his family in Santa Monica, California, and with his daughter, director Rebecca Scott, he is currently writing a supernatural thriller series, One Bad Apple, to be shot in Malta in 2022. With Karamu having a strong history of success in Media Studies and film production we are exceptionally proud to have Gavin as a Tira Ora. #ProudlyKaramu

TIRA ORA

In this issue of Karamu Korero we showcase Karamu's sixth year, the Year 1971

1971

Principal:		Mr
First Assistant:		Mr
Senior Mistress:		Mi
Hastings High School Boa	rd of Governors:	Mr
School Roll:		100
Head Boy: Richard Clare	Head Girl:	Em
Dux: Christine Short	Proxime Accessit:	Bry
General Excellence:		Bry

Mr N Wilde Mr A B Fordyce Miss S Henderson Vernors: Mr M R Shakespeare 1000+ ead Girl: Emma Scott Accessit: Bryan Davy Bryan Davy & Emma Scott



School Buildings & Grounds:

- One of largest co-ed schools in NZ
- Completion of second half of D Block; building of Advanced Science Labs, school Counselling and Careers Rooms

Staff:

- First Principal Mr Norm Wilde's retires at the end of year after 10 years
- Foundation pupil Mr Mike Johnston returns as Physical Education teacher

Students:

- \$7,000 fund-raised between the Trades Fairs and Galas
- Considerable support from Trades people in the community
- First Karamu High School ex-pupils graduate from University

Sport:

- Inter-House Cross Country held using Windsor Park and the school grounds
- Introduction of a Secondary Schools' Rugby grade
- Table Tennis included as part of Inter-School exchange with Lytton High School (Gisborne)
- Karamu win against Lytton in both Tennis & Cricket
- Annual Winter games between Taradale High School & Karamu in Rugby, Soccer, Netball and Boys' and Girls' Hockey

Cultural:

- Māori Culture Club revived
- Esperanto Club (Italian) introduced
- Tramping Club for 7th Form students started

HASTINGS

- Hawke's Bay School of Nursing established with the merging of Napier, Hastings and Wairoa schools
- Hospital Obstetric Department opened
- Council adopts plans to redevelop the whole civic complex library extension, an art gallery & exhibition space for Māori artifacts collection (1971-1974)

NEW ZEALAND

- NZ Population: 2,842,200
- NZ Prime Minister: Keith Holyoake
- Government: National
- First Protests at Waitangi on Waitangi Day
- Tiwai Point Aluminium Smelter opens
- Warkworth has Satellite Earth Station project





WAI WERO

On Friday 4 March we were very pleased to be able to run an 'agile' version of the 2022 Swimming Sports. With Covid putting a 'spanner in the works' and us not being able to go to the Aquatic Centre with the current Covid Protection Framework numbers and vaccine pass limitations it was fantastic to see the students embrace the new format.

A huge thank you needs to go out to Mr Ross and his team for coming up with the Wai Wero concept, a waterbased tabloids, that enabled the student body to still experience 'something'. A huge amount of fun was had by the students (and staff!) with each year level active for a period, Mr Whippy turning up and even lessons being prepared with a 'water theme'.

We hope you enjoy a selection of photos from the day.













WAI WERO









WAI WERO RESULTS

Wai Wero 2022									
	Tul	ci	Heretaunga		Kaw	Kaweka		Te Mata	
Y9 M	780	100	721	7 0	727	85	722	75	
Y9 F	813	85	842	10 <mark>0</mark>	693	75	630	70	
Y10 M	775	100	765	75	774	85	720	70	
Y10 F	742	100	687	75	648	70	717	85	
y11 M	873	100	748	85	740	75	728	70	
Y11 F	<mark>653</mark>	70	813	100	703	75	761	85	
Y12/13 A	781	85	791	100	505	70	585	75	
Y12/13 B	789	100	790	85	637	70	672	75	
	6206	740	6157	690	5427	605	5535	605	
	1s	t	2n	d	3r	d	3r	d	
	Tuk	ci	Hereta	unga	Kaw	eka	Te M	ata	

ATHLETIC SPORTS

With one postponement we were all very happy to be able to get Athletic Sports off the ground on Thursday 31st March. With vaccine pass restrictions lifted for secondary sports and no limits on gathering numbers in an outdoor setting from Saturday 26 March, it was all go – and the weather even played its part!

It was a day awash with colour and abuzz with speed. We hope you enjoy a collection of photos taken on the day and of course the results...



















ATHLETIC SPORTS







ATHLETIC SPORTS RESULTS

	Year 9 Girls		Year 10 Girls		Senior Girls	
Position	Name	Points	Name	Points	Name	Points
1 st	Blaque Nohokau	234	Holly Bruce	243	Jordyn Nicholson	273
2 nd	Linaea Kouzounian	157	Emily Baines	137	Maddy Hughes	268
3rd	Te Marie Smith- Dunlop	141	Ella Boyd Phoenix Munro	115 115	Anastasia Teofilo	195

	Year 9 Boys		Year 10 Boys		Senior Boys	
Position	Name	Points	Name	Points	Name	Points
1st	Lucas Goodacre	313	Balin Casson	307	Alron Rajal	380
2 nd	Zane Tardieu	229	Jamie Edwards	265	Josh Purcell- Rogers	347
3rd	Teigan Rafferty	173	Adam Bristow- Smith	249	Braden Cooper	318

IF YOU HAVE CONCERNS If you are a student and yo

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	
A discipline problem, eg. a detention	The teacher who gave you Your dean the detention		Mr Blake Acting Deputy Principal Student Management	
A pastoral issue, eg. bullying, attendance	Your form teacher Your dean		Mrs Crawford or Mr Rolls the Guidance Counsellor	
If you are a parent and yo	ou 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		
etention		Mr Blake Acting Deputy Principal Student Management	Mrs Thomas Principal	
A pastoral issue, eg. bullying, attendance	The dean	Mrs Crawford or Mr Rolls the Guidance Counsellor	1	
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 2022

At Karamu High School, our year level deans play an important role in the pastoral care of your child. Our year level deans for 2022 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.





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Year 10 Deans



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Year 11 Deans



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Kirsty Christian

Year 13 Deans



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