

# Kairanga School

Building firm foundations for a lifetime of learning.

2019: Term 1, Week 5

## What's on top?

The Kairanga Kid: This is an important visual aid to help children identify and remember the kinds of learners and friends we need to be to succeed in this world. The Kairanga Kid is referred to every day in every class. It is an overarching theme that helps highlight, reward, train and set goals. The Kairanga Kid is also a big part of our Behaviour Management Plan, through the K-Kards and K-Kard Treats each term. There are five Kairanga Kid attributes, and they were decided on by considering the common themes from the New Zealand Curriculum, the National Education Values put out by the Ministry, plus our own school values given by our community & parents.

The Kairanga Kid Attributes are: Co-operation, High Expectations, Inquisitiveness, Creative Thinking, Self-Management.

You should be able to see these things on display at home too, and can encourage them as much as you like. I've even heard of parents using them as a reward programme. I say 'Go for it!'

Our parents show these attributes too: I can think of two people at present who stand out as Kairanga Kids – people who are determined to do well, even when the achievement is hard, who have worked tirelessly (early morning training and practicing), in order to achieve their goals. I hope that in you homes you are getting your children to describe to you how **you** are Kairanga Kids. Enjoy the conversation. Have a great week, Alastair & The K Team.

## Teacher Paid Union Meetings:

Teacher Pay & Conditions negotiations have stalled. There are Union meetings on the 20,21, & 23<sup>rd</sup> March that we will be attending to decide what the next steps are to get the **time we need to teach**.

**KAIRANGA SCHOOL IS NOT CLOSING during this time!** Our teachers have made a conscious decision NOT to disrupt our families, and we will be open, covering classes and going to different sessions in order to save parents any hassle. This is a strong indication that our Teachers are committed to our school families and children. We would hope that you are grateful for this and would support us as well in the future.

## Relay For Life Support

The coin trail last week netted over \$50 that will be presented by Kelda Robinson at the Relay For Life this weekend. Kelda will be running the 3am shift for her team and has been in training. Also, many congratulations to Kirstie Brooking (and family), for completing the recent Taupo Ironman competition. A huge event, a huge commitment.

If there are any other parent achievements out there, let us know, we'd love to celebrate with you as a community.

## Community Picnic Fun

Thanks to all those who came and a special thanks to Jeremy Dodge for his organisation behind the scenes and great work on the day (all day!). We appreciated the chance to get together and enjoy each other's company.

Thanks to the whole Board of Trustees for their continued support and help in this event too.

## School Swimming Sports: Tomorrow!

We are looking forward to this event and seeing the children succeed as individuals.

This is a chance for all our year 4-8 children to demonstrate their swimming skills in a supportive environment.

The highlight of the day will be the camaraderie and house spirit that will uplift the performance of all our children.

The championship races will identify our squad for Te Kawau who will represent the school at the **Te Kawau**

### Swimming

#### Meet on Monday 25 March.

Special thank you to our parents for your generous support with transport, timing roles and pre-champ coordination. We love the willingness of our school family to make a difference in the success of these opportunities for our children.

Please support your child in being well prepared for the event;: **nutrition, water and appropriate gear.**

I am sure you will hear about their successes at the dinner table that night.

### Office Notices:

Have you heard about a new phone app, called **Family Zone**, that helps parents ensure their children are not exposed to unsafe or inappropriate material online?

The app lets parents manage their children's devices in and out of the home, including setting turnoff times, limiting downloads and purchases, blocking pornography and restricting access to games, social media and adult-rated YouTube content.

The system sorts websites into risk categories, sends parents an alert when a child tries to access a high-risk site, and emails parents weekly reports on what sites their children have looked at.

We'd recommend you try it out to help you support and protect your child.

**Engraving of Cups** - The Board of Trustees have decided that FROM NOW ON, all cup engraving of pupils names will be at the cost and organisation of the holders of the cup. The \$1200 we spend as a school each year on the large number of cups is better served going towards the needs of pupils throughout the school. If your child is awarded a cup, please note that it is now your job to engrave it within the next six months. We trust you understand this decision.

**2019 BoT Elections:** This is happening in July 2019 and we want YOU to consider serving on the Board of Trustees. There will be three vacant elected positions that make up the governance of our great little school. We have been fortunate in the past to have great people stand and serve on our Board, so who do you know that might be keen and good enough? If you'd like to know more, please come in and see Alastair, or a current Board member.

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## Year Eight Lunches!

Each Friday, the Yr8 Leaders offer lunches to all pupils. The funds from these lunches go towards Year Eight activities.

This week: HOT DOGS

\$3 for a whole, \$1.50 for a half, with sauce or without.

Please put your order and money in a named envelope and place in box in office by THURSDAY.



## Kairanga School 2019 Key Dates

All important dates are on our school website. Please note these dates and venues are subject to change – **keep an eye on the school calendar on the website, because it's up to you to keep up to date and organised.**



# MARIST

## JUNIOR FOOTBALL 2019



### REGISTRATION DAY

**Sunday 3 March at Clubrooms 1 - 3pm**  
at Marist Clubrooms, 17A Pascal Street

### TRIALS (Age 9 - 13)

Sunday 10 March and Sunday 17 March at Marist Clubrooms.

9yrs - 11yrs from 11.00am - 12noon

12yrs - 13yrs from 12.30 - 1.30pm

REGISTRATIONS CAN ALSO BE COMPLETED ONLINE AT

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Contact Lisa [maristjfc.pn@gmail.com](mailto:maristjfc.pn@gmail.com)



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