

WHAIA TE ITI KAHURANGI!

# Mākara School Memo

MMS, Term 3, Week 1, 2023

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## Coming up:

### TERM 3

Term 3 starts 17 July

Matariki Celebration 21 July  
4.30-6pm

Kahui Ako Kapahaka Festival

- 3 August @ WC

Teacher Only Day - 1  
September

Production - 14 September

Aladdin Show - 19th  
September

Term Ends 22 September,  
1pm

Term 4:

Starts: 9 October - SCHOOL  
PHOTOS ON THE FIRST DAY  
Teacher Only Day 17 November  
Last Day of 2023 - 15 December

Mākara Model  
School



## MESSAGES FROM CARO

Kia ora, e te whānau,

I hope you had a fantastic break and are ready for an exciting and action-packed Term 3 at Mākara Model School! We have a lot in store for our wonderful students and community, and we can't wait to share it with you.

Firstly, this coming Friday (21 July from 4.30-6) we have our school Matariki Celebration. We will be celebrating Matariki, the Māori New Year, on Friday 21 July. This significant cultural event is a time for reflection, connection, and new beginnings. Our school will have a variety of activities, planting, and sharing some kai (soup) to mark this special occasion. Parents are welcome to come from 4.30pm till 6pm, and be able to complete activities with your child.

In week three (3 August) we have our Kahui Ako Kapahaka Festival - A Showcase of Kapa Haka from 6 different schools as well as Wellington College and Wellington Girls College. It will be hosted by Wellington College. This event celebrates the power and beauty of Māori performing arts, and our students will have the opportunity to showcase their skills in haka and waiata, that they have been practising this year. We invite our community to join us in celebrating and supporting our tamariki during this festival. We are in the process of sewing up some of the uniforms for this - so if you have a spare sewing machine and some time, let us know!

As you will be aware, our talented students will be showcasing their performing skills in the much-anticipated production of Te Ara o te Mākara on 14 September. This production will be taking you on a journey celebrating the values of our school and community. More details will be shared closer to the date, so stay tuned!

Our students will be celebrating their term of focus on the performing arts, with a trip to watch the production of Aladdin - A Magical Adventure! This will take place in the last week of this term. It will be a fantastic opportunity for them to immerse themselves in the world of theater and witness the incredible talents of other performers. We will provide further information and permission slips soon, so keep an eye out for those.

On another note, I'd like to update you on our "Bog" drainage Issues - and am pleased to report that it is nearly sorted! Over the break, significant progress was made in resolving the problem. However, we kindly ask everyone to please keep clear of the affected area as it undergoes re-establishment with new plantings over the next few weeks.

We would also like to remind our students to leave personal items and toys at home. Bringing toys to school can sometimes lead to distractions and misplaced belongings. Let's ensure that everyone has a focused and productive learning environment by keeping personal items at home.

A reminder that we now have a Breakfast Club running at school from 7.30-8.30am. If you would like more information, please contact Kiri at the office.

I am looking forward to an amazing Term 3 filled with growth, learning, and unforgettable experiences for all our students.

Noho ora mai  
Caro