

WHAIA TE ITI KAHURANGI!

# Mākara School Memo

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## Important Dates

25 November -  
Kārearea Mini Market Day  
28-30 November -  
Kārearea Camp -  
Makahika  
2 December -  
Year 8 College Day  
7 December -  
BOT meeting  
10 December - XMAS PET  
DAY EXTRAVAGANZA  
12 December -  
Final Assembly of 2022 -  
1.40pm  
12 December -  
Reports Home  
15 December -  
LAST DAY, 1pm Finish.

TERM 1 2023  
WEDNESDAY 1  
FEBRUARY



## MESSAGE FROM CARO

Kia ora, e te whānau!

Mid Term has come and gone! How fast has this year gone so far!

### KIWI RELEASE

What a magical event we had here at school on Saturday - see further down in the newsletter for some photos and an update.

### UPCOMING EVENTS TO BE AWARE OF:

- There are a number of things coming up over the next few weeks - so we will endeavour to keep you reminded as the weeks progress.
- Yesterday we had an amazing visit to the Wellington Museum - the children were brilliant, and the weather was surprisingly kind to us! Today is our cupcake sale for Kārearea, to be followed by a Mini Market day on Friday.
- We have our Athletics presentation at 2pm today in the Library - for the school place winners and overall Champions for Junior, Intermediate and Seniors.
- Next week the Kārearea class are off on camp - which will be really exciting!

### POOL OPEN!

The pool is finally ready to be opened, and Wednesday will be our first official swim of Term 4. From there on, classes are rostered on each day - so please remind your child to pack in their togs, towel and rash vest,

### SCHOOL HATS, TOPS AND HOODIES

Kiri is putting together an order to arrive at the start of next year - so if you haven't already, let her know what you would like to order.

### SCHOOL STATIONARY

You will be able to purchase stationary packs through Qizzle for next year's stationary. The link will be shared with you towards the end of the year. You will be able to select a class pack, and there are some items such as book bags and pencil cases which are optional incase you already have them. There are some specific items that will have to be bought through the school too. School donations and other costs can be selected to be paid with the packs, or you can still pay them to the office online if that is preferred. Next year we hope to have an eftpos machine too, which could be a good option to make things easier for some too.

### POLICY REVIEW:

Take part in this Term's School Policies review. The policies up for review this term are about *Safety On and Off School Grounds* – Health, Safety and Welfare Policy, Alcohol/Drugs and Other Harmful Substances, Digital Technology and Cybersafety, School Bus Transport and School Swimming Pool policies. You can find Makara Model School's Policies here [SchoolDocs - Policies and Procedures Made Easy](#), search for Makara under the 'Search for Your School' in the top right corner. The username and password for the school community are - Community username: **mms**, Community password: **sunflowers**. You'll find the instructions and current policies up for review under the 'Current Review' tab once you are signed in.

As always, please come chat, my door is always open.

Ngā mini nui  
Caro



# THE KIWI ARE HERE!

[www.capitalkiwi.co.nz](http://www.capitalkiwi.co.nz)

On Saturday 19 November 2022, 11 kiwi were returned to the wild on the hills of Mākara. We were so fortunate to be a part of the day, and to be able to host the powhiri. 6 of our children delivered amazing speeches to the crowd, and a group of students will be getting to go up to the burrows and help track some of the kiwis in the next few weeks. Next year, we may even get to camp out near the burrows to hear them calling at night! We will keep up our efforts in pest control, and look forward to more Kiwi being released in the near future!





# Trip to the Museum

We had a fabulous trip to the Wellington Museum on Monday. The children learnt a lot about early Wellington, and then got to explore the waterfront with a landmark scavenger hunt!









# CREATIVES IN SCHOOL PROJECT COMPLETION

A MASSIVE THANK YOU TO KATRINA FOR GETTING THE PROJECT STARTED, AND TO RACHEL WHO WORKED WITH THE CHILDREN AND ENABLED THE PROJECT TO BE LED SUCCESSFULLY TO COMPLETION!





# ACHIEVEMENTS

## MOUNTAIN BIKING

Sherlock and Nixon both competed in the NZ Mt bike orienteering champs over the weekend with great success.

Sherlock came 1st in the middle and 3rd in both the sprint and long, competing in U16 so against kids up to 5 years older than him!

Nix came 1st in middle and sprint and 4th in long in U10

Huge congratulations to them both!



## ATHLETICS DAY AWARDS

**A massive congratulations to our overall champs for our Mākara Model School athletics day 2022:**

**Junior Overall Champion: Raife and Brielle**

**Intermediate Overall Champions: Nixon and Mia K**

**Senior Overall Champions: Elena and Archie**

WESTERN ZONE UPDATE - a number of our children did exceptionally well at this event, we are awaiting the official results, and then will celebrate their achievements too!

## THANK YOU'S

*- A MASSIVE THANK YOU TO ST JOHNS OP SHOP FOR A \$2000 DONATION FOR OUR DEVELOPING TECH CENTRE*

*- PARENTS FOR HELPING OUT ON CLASS AND SCHOOL TRIPS AND EVENTS - WE CAN'T DO THESE WITHOUT YOU!*

*- RACHEL KASA - DRIVING OUR PAVERS PROJECT, XMAS PET FAIR, FOOD FOR EVENTS AND SO MUCH MORE!*

*- ALISTER LUKE FOR DIGGING OUR LONG JUMP PIT AND FILLING IT IN*