



MANGOREI SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

Week 2, Term 1
Wednesday 14th February
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KNOWING MYSELF, KNOWING OUR PLACE, FINDING MY FUTURE

'E mohio pū ko wai au, e mōhio pū ki tāku turanga, kia rapu tāku huarahi'

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

恭贺新禧! Xīn nián kuài lè! Happy Chinese New Year!

We have a number of our families who have travelled back to family in China, in some cases for the first time since Covid, to celebrate this special time. We look forward to their safe return as we get into the great year ahead.

As we get into the year there is minimal disruption to us based on the change of Government. Firstly the 'no cellphones in schools' fits our school policy already. Students who arrive at school with phones, drop these in to the office on arrival, and get them reissued after school.

As a school leadership team we have looked at the Ministry expectations with the hours of Reading, Writing and Mathematics. This has made for interesting reading in itself, and once again we feel the core of this is already in place, however we are cognisant that these go across all curriculum subjects eg. reading happens in Social Sciences, maths happens in Science etc. We also know that there is a richness in the Arts, importance in learning to swim, joy in singing, wairua in performing kapa haka, and health in running and playing outside in nature. With this in mind we still want to develop a well-rounded Mangorei Kid, and with those three core subjects reaching throughout all learning areas. Our challenge as teachers is to make this explicitly seen by our tamariki.

The curriculum refresh has a few hold ups with the English, Mathematics and Statistics new refreshed documents getting another review with the new government, as is the new Common Practice Model, which focuses on what is good teaching practice, based on research and evidence. We look forward to this being concluded to continue long term planning for the school with greater confidence.

Anyway, enough political stuff, we look forward to seeing you all here on the **Thursday 22nd February** for the school picnic starting at **5.30pm**, and the opportunity to get into classrooms to hear teachers talk about their programmes, the class routines and how you can be involved in your child's learning this year. Please have a read of the further details inside the newsletter.

Have a brilliant rest of week! Zàijìàn!

Ngā Mihi,

Gary Poulgrain
TUMUAKI

JUNIOR TIMBERCO CRICKET

Thank you to all that have registered for Term 1 cricket that starts this week. Once the fixtures have been released from Taranaki Cricket, we will send these out to the teams members. Sports tops will be issued to those children who are needing them.



YEAR 4-6 GIRLS SMASH CRICKET FESTIVAL

We are have a fantastic team of girls who will take part in the Smash Cricket Festival this Friday 16th February at Pukekura Park from 12pm-1pm. We are very lucky to have **Stephanie Taylor** available to be with the team on the day - Thank you **Stephanie**! We are looking for another parent helper to assist with transportation. If you are able to help please email samantha.heslop@mangorei.school.nz

SWIMMING DEMONSTRATIONS

On **Wednesday 28th and Thursday 29th February** we will have Chloe Dickinson from Swim NZ helping poolside with all classes at different stages over the two days. We would love to **invite caregivers to come in and watch you child's session(s)** so you are able to see the school's focus on water safety, developing water confidence and water survival skills. Next week we will have a timetable to show you when classes will be in the pool so can pop in and see our talented tamariki!

TE TIHI O TARANAKI (Year 1-3 Syndicate) - KAWAROA ROCK POOLS VISIT

We are heading to Kawaroa rock pools to meet with **Dr Emily Roberts** from Taranaki Regional Council on Monday 4th March from 9.10am - 11.30am. We will need help with transporting the children to and from Kawaroa, so please save the date if your able to help out! More information will be given to students next week.

HERO FOR NEW FAMILIES

Just a reminder to all of your new families, we use the student management app called HERO for our communication with you. This app has lots of cool features such as reporting absences, notices, accounts, newsletters, reporting and much more!!!

Here is the link for you to sign up to the App:

[HERO](#)

SUNHATS

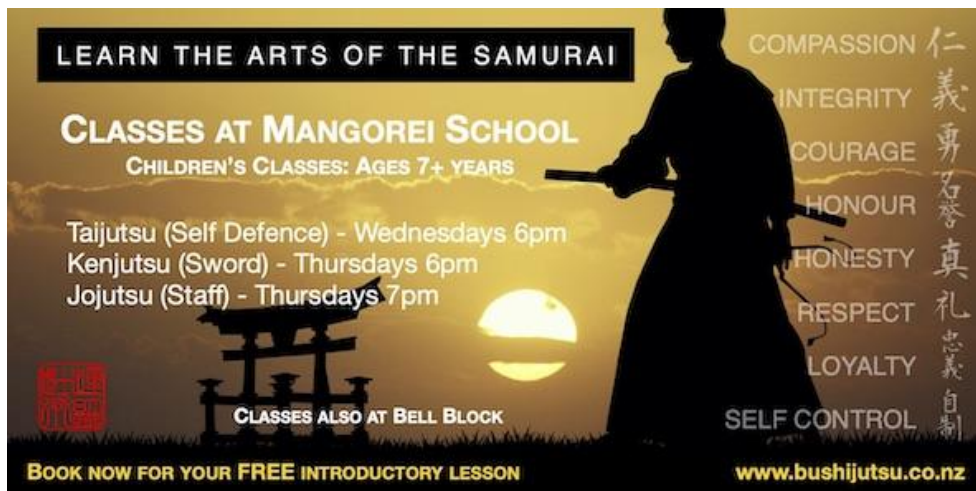
As mentioned in last week's newsletter, please ensure your child has their wide brimmed hat each day at school. Students who do not have their hats will be directed to a shaded area at the front of the school during break times. School hats can be purchased (\$22 each) by contacting Angela Duncan on angela.duncan@mangorei.school.nz

It is beneficial for students to arrive at school having sunblock already applied and have some available for them in their bags for them to apply during the day.

PTA FOR 2024!

Last year our PTA, together with backing from our school community were able to donate \$20,000 to the school through a superb combined effort! This went towards new library books, support in subsidising Year 7/8 camp, new technology equipment (charging units, keyboards, Apple TV's in classes), the new school orchard plants to name a few projects. Being part of the PTA is a fantastic way to get involved in the school and to support our teachers and students with the purchase of items beyond our reach. Our Equity Index Rating (old system whereby we are a 'high decile school') means that we do not receive anywhere near the funding given to other schools with equity challenges. We are not able to be part of the Ministry donation scheme which instantly gives \$150 per student to schools involved - hence why we ask parents to help with this aspect. We want to welcome all to be part of the PTA team and come to the first get together on **Wednesday 28th February, 7.30pm in the School Staff Room**. Bring a friend for our first informal get together!

COMMUNITY NEWS



LEARN THE ARTS OF THE SAMURAI

CLASSES AT MANGOREI SCHOOL

CHILDREN'S CLASSES: AGES 7+ YEARS

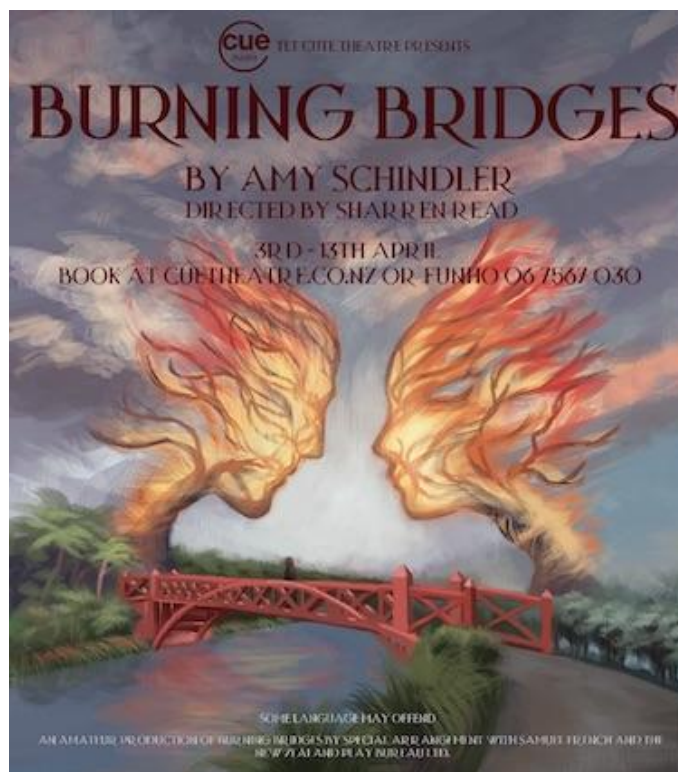
Taijutsu (Self Defence) - Wednesdays 6pm
Kenjutsu (Sword) - Thursdays 6pm
Jojutsu (Staff) - Thursdays 7pm

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Wednesday 3rd April – Saturday 13th April 2024

Kate and Don are professional colleagues and newlyweds. They invite Kate's younger sister, Sarah, who is autistic, for a two week visit. However Sarah has some major surprises for them and things quickly spin out of control. Life quickly turns into a nightmare of accusation and intrigue.

Dark, intense with some humour

It is one of those plays that will make you think about things you didn't know you needed to think about.

Calling All Primary School Picassos!

We're excited to announce our 'Back to School' Poster Competition for school children (from Years 1 to 8) to showcase their talent and understanding of asthma triggers and be in to win!

We are asking students to create a poster depicting common asthma triggers. Simply illustrate how everyday elements like pet fur, pollen, chilly breezes, smoke, and even tiny viruses can trigger asthma.

The winning masterpiece will receive \$1000 for their school, courtesy of Friends of the Foundation Gold Partner Pulse Energy, and the school will also receive a live asthma education show with Sailor the Pufferfish.

Submit poster artwork and details on our official entry page [here](#). **Entries close 29th February 2024.**

Get your brushes ready and join the fight against asthma!

Ngā mihi nui,

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Taranaki Children's Choir 2024



**We welcome new and
existing singers to Taranaki
Children's Choir in 2024!**

We will start the year with a fun free trial session open to new and existing members on Tuesday 20 February from 6.30pm to 7.30pm at The New Plymouth Operatic Society Rehearsal Rooms .76 King Street.

Open to children from age 7 all the way up to High School (end of year 8)
Our regular sessions are on Tuesdays during term time – at New Plymouth Operatic Society Rooms - 6.30pm to 7.30pm

Taranaki Children's Choir is a not-for-profit organisation
Discounts for more than one child from the same family attending