

MANGOREI SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

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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

Kia Ora Whānau,

Is it really the final week of term? A third of the way through the year? Somebody pinch me! Always great to reflect on the term with a few highlights!

We finalised our student leaders for the year with our Ambassadors, Deputies, House **Captains and School Councillors** selected. The School Council has had three sittings and are working through areas of focus for the school year, including running a fabulous Wheels Day this week.

We held our Mihi Whakatau to welcome our 22 new students and their families that were new to Mangorei School.

The School Triathlon/Biathlon took place with all events running through despite a damp start. The day is a real showcase of the country school feel with our older students stepping up to support our younger ākonga in their races.

Whānau Kai Tahi Day had family members looking through their child's learning in class. Food and drink was offered for sale by the PTA. Lovely to have this connection on offer for our families.

We had a fantastic turnout of parents willing to help support the PTA with ongoing fundraising for the school - Pizza Lunch, Easter Raffle and Tri Bi to name a few this term!

Te Tihi o Taranaki had a class trip down to the rocky shore at Kawaroa to do some exploring, and then followed up with a session at Puke Ariki to continue their studies into marine life in and around our coast.

Cricket Festival Days were held with three different teams enjoying competing with other kura. Our Year 7 and 8 Boys came third in this competition and our Year 7 and 8 Girls Team were the winners, taking away the Kate Ibrahim (nee Broadmore) Trophy. Kate was contacted about the win as Kate is an old girl of Mangorei School.

Turf was replaced efficiently and with a visible improvement.

All Year 3-8 students completed the PAT Standardised Test for Mathematics which aids teachers in planning around specific needs of students.

Our Envirogroup has formed with multiple students involved as 'Weed Warriors, Rat Trappers (2 Rats caught last week!), **Composters, Orchardeers and Vege Podders'**

The Year 6-8 Swimming Sports were held at Bell Block Indoor Pool and members selected to represent the school in the Inter-school event later in the week.

Names have been called for and teams collated for Miniball and Basketball, Netball, and Hockey.

We continue to get weekly donations of apples from Merrilands New World which are very much appreciated by our tamariki

A school plan was executed to get all teachers to the paid union meetings that are held in class time. Some schools closed to do so but we were very pleased to be able to do so without disrupting families.

A Camp meeting was held with those volunteers heading to the Y5/6 camp and camp is underway this week!

Teachers shared with parents via HERO a 'Settling Statement' which gave insights into how their child has started the school year.

11 Year 7 and 8 students went to the COP21 Day at the Green School, taking electives on an environmental theme with Mr Henson - some awesome learnings!

A fire drill was held successfully at school during class time - kids awesome!

Five teaching staff continued their Te All parents were invited to the of sessions in Hapai Tū (2nd level of to see the safety skills being taught. Te Reo Maori) held here at school in We had Brooke from Swim NZ come our School Whare Pukapuka with other teachers and principals from other schools.

Rangers by sending a group of 30 interested Year 4-6 girls to their football morning to play games against other schools accompanied by Mrs Kate Gwerder.

Reo Journey completing the first half swimming demonstrations at the pool and assist teachers poolside, and offer professional development along the way.

We supported our local football club 16 School Staff took part in a First Aid Course focussed on the school environment.

> Our Weetbix Tryathletes had a successful time at Ngāmotu Beach.

Ray Farrow, Brass and Band instructor performed at School Assembly as we prepare for out of hours music classes in brass and ukulele.

The Mangorei School Board put on a lovely Thank You morning Tea for the staff for the above and beyond efforts to start the year.

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Students completing some brilliant learning in their classes and working hard to meet their goals!

As we do finish the term a very big 'Ngā Mihi' to the hard working Mangorei Staff and of course our wonderful tamariki who make coming to work everyday a pleasure. A final thanks goes to our community and parents we appreciate the support you give to your children in their learning!

Have a brilliant holiday break next week!

Ngā Mihinui, **Gary Poulgrain** TUMUAKI

EVENTS:

Wednesday 10th - Friday 12th April Thursday 11th April Friday 12th April Monday 29th April Friday 10th May

Wednesday 15th May Wednesday 29th May Friday 31st May Monday 3rd June

Year 5/6 Camp at Vertical Horizons
1 st Otago Problem Solving session
Last day of Term 1
Year 7-8 and YO-3 Ranui at school
First day of Term 2
Anzac Assembly 10am - all welcome!
Registrations close for Kiwi English, Mathematics
& Science Competitions
Board Meeting 7pm
Year 8 National Young Leaders (Hamilton)
Teacher Only Day - School Closed
King's Birthday - School Closed

ANZAC ASSEMBLY

On the very first day back we will be having a special ANZAC ASSEMBLY (hopefully on the courts - hall if not). All parents and family are welcome to attend. Starts at 10am.

WELCOME

Rosie Fitchett, Eloise Hamnett & Skyla Adamson who have started with us recently.

CONGRATULATIONS

- * **Reagan May** for obtaining his Sporting Excellence Certificate
- * Mackenzie Austin for obtaining her Services and Duties achievement and also her Sporting **Achievement Certificate**
- * Evie Ander for obtaining her Services and Duties Achievement Certificate
- * Olivia Kilgour for obtaining her Services and Duties Achievement Certificate and also her Sporting Achievement & Excellence Certificates.
- * Rosabella Gavisan-Moratti for obtaining her Services and Duties Achievement Certificate

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YEAR 6-8 VOLLEYBALL -UPDATE

As mentioned on the <u>HERO</u> app, due to lack of students signing up for Volleyball we are unable to enter any teams for Volleyball next term.

There is another league which happens in Term 3 so I will advertise again late in Term 2 to see if there is interest and enough players then.



UNCLAIMED PROPERTY

With the end of the term drawing near, we would like to make parents aware that any unclaimed property that is still here at school will be donated to charity. The unclaimed property will be laid out over by the hall, weather dependent, so children have access to it and reclaim what is theirs. If you notice your child is missing an article of clothing please encourage them to have a good look at the unclaimed property.



RĀNUI CELEBRATIONS

We are having our end of term celebrations which are a Mangorei tradition. We love to learn but ... there comes a time to celebrate learning with some good social fun amongst the syndicates! This is called our Rānui (Rā = Day, Nui = Big) Big Day. The Rānuis are being held on **Friday** as follows:

YEARS 1-4 RĀNUI

Our Rānui event will be here at school. We will be watching a G rated movie in the classroom. Children can also bring something small and special to enjoy at lunch eating time in their lunchbox. Please monitor the portion size of this. This is a water only event. We look forward to ending a busy term with a relaxing afternoon.

YEAR 7/8 RĀNUI

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This term we have opted for an 'at-school' Rānui celebration. On Friday this week the children will be put into groups and will be given some scavenger hunt clues and challenges to complete and capture evidence of. Following this our syndicate will all gather and will watch each team present their photo or video evidence from their morning activities. We will also enjoy a yummy treat that we will provide but students can bring along a bean bag or a pillow for comfort sitting in the hall watching the fun.

KIDS LIT QUIZ

Today we had three teams of Year 7 - 8 students compete in the annual Kids Lit Quiz. Teams from as far away as Whanganui gather to compete in a quiz based around literature. The questions were really tricky but one of our teams did well placing 4th! Well done to that team which consisted of *Kaitlin Williams, Giovanni Marengo, Harlow Giles* and *Caleb O'Mara*. Such a fantastic result!

Thanks so much to the parents who transported and *Mrs Connolly* for supporting the teams on the day.



A huge 'THANK YOU' to Merrilands New World for supplying our tamariki with yummy apples this term. We really appreciate their support and ask our families to support them.

SPORT UNIFORMS/TOPS

Thank you to those who have already returned their sports uniforms/tops that students are no longer using.

We <u>NEED ALL</u> of these returned in a clean condition, in a bag with your child's name, room number and placed in the uniform bin in the front foyer by Friday. Uniforms/tops will be reissued in Term 2 as required for those playing any sports.

REMINDER

As mentioned in our last few newsletters, could all pool keys be returned to the school office before Friday (last day of term).

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WHEELS DAY

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Thank you to our amazing **School Council** who organised our 'Wheels Day' at lunchtime on Monday. Our tamariki had a wonderful time on the various courses that had been set up for them. Check out the awesome photos that were captured!!



YEAR 6/7/8 INTER-SCHOOL SWIMMING SPORTS COMPETITION

The Full Primary Year 6/7/8 Inter-School Swimming Sports Competition was held last week at the Bell Block Aquatic Centre. Well done to all our students who competed, you were amazing. We will announce the results in Term 2 as these have not yet been published. Thanks so much to the parents who transported and supported our team. Special thanks to **Angie Feltoe** for being a timer on the day.

AN AFTER SCHOOL OPPORTUNITY FOR ALL GIRLS!

Unfortunately the statistics on girls continuing on in team sports, in fact in sports in general, once they hit High School are not great reading.

Basketball Taranaki have secured some funding to be able to hold **4 FREE basketball/miniball fun sessions after school** on our own courts - See the graphic!

Send your daughters along with a bit more afternoon tea and a pair of comfortable shoes for some free fun with some fabulous female sportspeople and role models!



OUR SCHOOL VISION

STUDENT CELL PHONES REMINDER

Students who arrive at school with their mobile phones/devices, are to drop these in to the office on arrival, and get them reissued after school. Our current practices fit in well with the Governments 'Phones Away' policy.

2024 KIWI ENGLISH, MATHEMATICS & SCIENCE COMPETITIONS

Mangorei School is offering your child the opportunity to participate in the KIWI English, Mathematics and Science competitions. These competitions take place annually and are designed by New Zealand teachers for New Zealand students based on the New Zealand Curriculum. For further information, please consult the CAM website <u>www.canterbury.ac.nz/cam</u>

These are replacing the ICAS exams that have traditionally been done at school.

The competitions are open to all Year 5-8 students in English, Mathematics and Science. Students can enter in one or more subjects. Each competition will provide parents/caregivers with an individual student report of their child's overall performance. These are available through your school. The supervised online tests will take place in the last 3 weeks of Term 2 and the first week of Term 3. The competitions are to be administered at school under exam conditions and supervised. All participating students will receive a certificate and a prize will be awarded to the top student nationally in each competition. If two or more students share the same top score then the prize is awarded to the student with the highest speed and accuracy.

NOTE: Their policy is not to release test papers. The tests are provided primarily as a competition and not as a teaching resource. Entries are administered by the school. For further information, please consult the CAM website www.canterbury.ac.nz/cam

Each exam costs \$9.90 per student and will be added to your child's account once you have registered.

Please follow this link to register your child by Friday 10th May. NO LATE ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED.

Kiwi Assessment Registration Form

ANZAC REPORTERS

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We are looking for some roving reporters! Could this be you?

Our whole school unit for the beginning of Term 2 has a focus on ANZAC day and the way in which we commemorate those who have served our country.

We are looking for some students to attend either the Dawn Service or the 10am service and record some information about it. It will require answering a small number of questions that are pre prepared and perhaps some photos or videos on the day.

If your family usually attends one of these services or are intending to attend then please contact *Emma Saywell* via email and you will be provided with all of the information you need.

It would be amazing if we could compare services from around Taranaki, so if you attend a service at any of the other places in Taranaki we would also love you to do it too. <u>emma.saywell@mangorei.school.nz</u>

PTA NEWS

PIZZA LUNCH DAY

A big thank-you to the Mangorei School community for supporting the Pizza Lunch Day and many thanks to *Linda Armstrong* who has taken on the organisation of Pizza lunch day for us, and also to *Angela Gally, Charlene Tipene, Tina McLeod and Glynnis Kolzing* for helping out . We sold 46 Pizzas making a profit of \$550. This will go towards purchasing a class set of ukuleles!

TRI/BI

Well done to all the tamariki who collected sponsorship for our Triathlon/Biathlon earlier this term. The money raised has gone through to support our Year 5 and 6 students at camp - Thank you! Well done to the following students who raised the most money in each syndicate: *Ronan Garrett-Quest* (Tūī), *Hayden Barr* (Kererū), *Keanu Piebenga* (Toroa) - a brilliant effort and so appreciated by the school - Ka rawe kia koutou boys!

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COMMUNITY NEWS



