



MANGOREI SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

Week 3
Term 3
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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 Koutou ngā whānau o Mangorei,

Week 3 of the term already here and we are getting glimpses of spring weather slowly knocking at the door! I noticed a giant rhododendron in the junior bush area already in full bloom - you can't beat this area in the morning with dappled sunlight, birdsong and the green space.

The Year 7 and 8 part of the school have brought to a conclusion their science learning with the use of the Science Investigation Process to test ideas. We had a steady flow of families popping into the school hall last Friday to come and see the exhibits and look at the finished products of their efforts. These have been entered into the Taranaki-wide Science Fair and we will know results of this in tonight's prizegiving held at NPBHS. This is traditionally a strength of our tamariki who have come through Mangorei and developed curiosity and enjoyment in Science. It doesn't end there for our Year 7 and 8 students with a group of 10 who headed off to the Rugby 7's yesterday, nearly 20 who went to the Water Rocket Interschool Finals and Toroa (Mrs Brewers class) going to TOPEC for Outdoor Education tomorrow.

Recently the media has been relaying the latest Ministry of Education direction regarding the refreshed Maths Curriculum. Fascinating to have an email in my inbox on Sunday, giving me the heads up of an announcement which happened nationwide an hour later! The challenge with this refresh is that when the nation knows, it really is then that principals know - we don't get very special treatment when a decent heads up would be nice!

The heartbreaking statistic shared was that just 22% of Year 8 students in New Zealand are at the expected curriculum benchmark for Mathematics. It shows just 12% of Māori students are where they should be and that 63 % of the overall Year 8 cohort are more than a year behind - I nearly fell off my chair! The reason being our latest Mangorei School data - which uses Mathematics PAT data as part of it (which is an assessment tool the MOE want used) - is a different picture.

At mid year, 67% of our Year 8 students are currently at or above the expected curriculum level (this will increase as we still have half a year of teaching to go) and 67% of our Māori students in Year 8 are where they should be (same thing). Only 5.3% of our overall Year 8 cohort are more than a year behind in Mathematics.

Our feel is that we are well underway with some of the key messages the government are advocating schools to connect into. We are believers in a knowledge rich curriculum and believe that learning should be sequenced, built upon (so as to ensure kids have the building blocks of learning in place as a base, before adding to this with new learning). This approach is rooted in the Science of Learning and was the reason we adopted Structured Literacy three years ago - it had science and brain research backing.

It does not however give us permission to sit on our laurels though. We are an innovative school but are regularly refining and checking on the effectiveness of what we do. As the quote says 'Once you know better, do better'.

Have a great rest of your week,

Ngā Mihi,

Gary Poulgrain
(TUMUAKI)

EVENTS

TONIGHT

Thursday 8 th August	-	Science Fair Prizegiving
Monday 12 th August	-	TOPEC Trip - Toroa
Tuesday 13 th August	-	Golf Sessions for Ahuwhenua and Te Tai-o-rehua
Wednesday 14 th August	-	TOPEC Trip - Koroā
	-	SLANZA School Library Week - Local Author will visit our junior rōpū
	-	David Hill Writers Course
	-	Year 5/6 Inter-school Finals
	-	BOARD MEETING 7pm in the Library
Thursday 15 th August	-	TOPEC Trip - Tūī
Friday 16 th August	-	LEAD Conference
Tuesday 20 th August	-	TOPEC Trip - Tūturiwhatu
Wednesday 21 st August	-	PTA MEETING
Thursday 22 nd August	-	Otago Problem Solving #5 (Y6-8 students that are involved in this)
	-	TOPEC Trip - Korimako
Friday 23 rd August	-	Taranaki Primary and Intermediate School Chess Competition 2024
	-	Pizza Lunch Day
Tuesday 27 th August	-	TOPEC Trip - Kererū
Thursday 29 th August	-	TOPEC Trip - Toutouwai
	-	Visit from Rachael Maia - Para Olympian (Ahuwhenua)
Friday 30 th August	-	Mangorei School Endurance & Resilience Run
	-	Whānau Kai Tahi Day (12:30pm-1:30pm)
Tuesday 3 rd September	-	TOPEC Trip - Kōtare
Thursday 5 th September	-	TOPEC Trip - Miromiro
Saturday 7 th - 13 th September	-	AIMS Games
Tuesday 10 th September	-	TOPEC Trip - Pīwakawaka
Friday 20 th September	-	SCHOOL PHOTOS
	-	Pizza Lunch Day
Friday 27 th September	-	LAST DAY OF TERM 3
Monday 14 th October	-	FIRST DAY OF TERM 4
Thursday 17 th October	-	Otago Problem solving #6 (FINAL)
Friday 25 th October	-	PETS DAY
Friday 15 th November	-	TEACHER ONLY DAY (CURRICULUM REFRESH)
Friday 20 th December	-	LAST DAY OF TERM 4

KA RAWE KIA KOUTOU!

- **Archer Jones** for obtaining his Cultural & Arts Achievement Certificate
- **Maku Chitnis** for obtaining her Services & Duties Excellence Certificate
- **Mackenzie Austin** for obtaining her Sporting and Services & Duties Excellence Certificates
- **Brodie Stewart** for obtaining his Services & Duties Excellence Certificate

AMBASSADORS AND DEPUTY AMBASSADORS

Last week those Year 8 students who wanted to be considered for our Ambassador roles presented a short prepared speech to our Leadership team as to why they should be considered for these positions. Once again all these students did an amazing job and we would like to applaud them on their presentations. After much consideration, our Term 3 and 4 Ambassadors are **Brodie Stewart & MacKenzie Austin** with **Reagan May & Maggie Cleaver** as our Deputy Ambassadors. Congratulations to you all and we are sure you will perform these roles in a professional manner.

TOPEC TRIP - REMINDER

A reminder to check your notifications via HERO for your child's upcoming TOPEC trip. If you are able to help with transport please email the teacher and let them know you can help, including the total number of passengers you can take.

PETS DAY CALVES AND LAMBS

With Spring on the way, now is the time to consider your child having a lamb or calf for our historic Pets Day, on Friday 25th October. This is such a wonderful tradition of our school with the lamb and calf leading and rearing being a bit part of the day. More information will come out nearer the time but if you have any queries please don't hesitate to contact the school office.

YEAR 5/6 FOOTBALL - INTER-SCHOOL SEMI-FINAL

On Friday 2nd August the Mangorei Year 5/6 Inter-school Football Team played a highly competitive semi-final crossover game against an evenly matched St Joseph's New Plymouth. St Joseph's had played the inter-school season last term in Pool B, and we played in Pool A. The teams were evenly matched and once again the game went to penalties to decide the score. Mangorei were triumphant with a 1-0 result. What a nail biter for all watching and playing. This means we have now qualified to play the winning team of the other Pool B crossover at the final on **Wednesday 14th August** at St Joseph's, kicking off at 11am. Mrs Rowson has put up a message with the details of this event on Hero for the players and their parents. Thanks once again to parents and supporters who came to watch, and especially to Mr Adam Lashin for supporting the team as coach. A huge congratulations to all players for their achievement in reaching the finals. We wish you the very best for next week!



WALKING BUS DAY

It was an enthusiastic group of walkers who met at Branch Road and Tupuhi Place for a chilly walk to school last Thursday. Thank you to everyone who joined us.



FUN HOCKEY TRAINING SESSIONS - OPPORTUNITY FOR OUR YEAR 1 to 3 STUDENTS!

Years 1-3 expressions of interest

We have had a wonderful dad offer to run some 'fun' hockey training sessions on a Wednesday afternoon from 3:15pm. **Currently the training sessions will be for students in Years 1 to 3.** If this is something you think your child would be interested in could you please email: Shannon Small at: shannon.small@mangorei.school.nz.

COMMUNITY NEWS



New Plymouth BMX HAVE A GO DAY
SUNDAY 18TH AUGUST
9 - 10AM
BALANCE & PEDAL BIKES ARE ALL WELCOME

LIMITED BIKES, HELMETS AND GLOVES WILL BE AVAILABLE TO HIRE ON THE DAY

YOU WILL NEED :

- ✓ BIKE
- ✓ FULL FACE HELMET
- ✓ LONG PANTS AND LONG SLEEVE TOP
- ✓ GLOVES
- ✓ COVERED IN SHOES

ALL AGES AND ABILITIES WELCOME!
 IF YOU'D LIKE ANY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, SEND US A MESSAGE ON FACEBOOK @NEWPLYMOUTHBMX

NEW PLYMOUTH BMX CLUB - HICKFORD PARK, BELL BLOCK



Supporting Young Athletes

Parental and Coach Seminar

By Dave Mackay

The Adolescent Brain and Parental/Coach Influence on the Sporting Youth

This seminar explores the adolescent brain and its effects on their behaviour alongside the influence that parents and coaches have on youth through this period of life. This is an essential message for all adults working with sporting youth.

Dave is a trained counsellor who specialises in working with adolescents and people in the sports community. Dave has an extensive background in all levels of sport, from community to high performance across multiple codes.

Venue: New Plymouth Boys' High School

Date: Tuesday 13th August

Time: 7pm-8pm

Scan the QR code to register
 Email amber@tssoa.org.nz for more information



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