



# MANGOREI SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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WK7, Term 3  
Wednesday  
27<sup>th</sup> August  
2025

**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 Mangorei Whānau,

Two shows in and two to go! I really hope you cleared your calendar for enough time to come and see your impressive kids performing in the school hall. The Arts are very much rich and alive at Mangorei and the stage, lights and music give the tamariki the full show experience - a massive thank you goes to Kate Gwerder for her expert guidance and development in coordinating everyone to get it done! We still have tickets available for tonight and tomorrow's performances at 7pm!! Click on the link below to book!!

### Mangorei's Magical Mission Production Tickets

I'd like to talk to you about something happening next year, as in a first for Mangorei School. Next year we are teaming up with Te Arahanga Specialist School to have a Learning Unit here at school to support tamariki with high health needs or disabilities. These tamariki will come with ORS (Ongoing Resource Scheme) funding to enable Te Arahanga to staff this space with the specialists needed so these tamariki can attend school.

This was a very considered and well discussed decision made by the School Board spanning back a year to mid-2024. The Board have been aware of some children in our community, and wider community, who have been unable to attend their local school due to the lack of expert specialist staff, inadequate facilities and being under resourced - to be fair we fit somewhere in that mix. However by teaming with Te Arahanga, it means that with their knowledge and expertise, combining with our space and special school culture, we can make something happen for these tamariki - but also for our own students. There is richness to be found in showing inclusivity, understanding and manaakitanga to all.

As the whakatauki says 'Nā to rourou, naku te rourou, ka ora e te iwi e' meaning with your food basket and my food basket, everyone will have enough to eat. I read this as meaning if we go on our own, we aim to survive, but if we work together we can go beyond just survival and go on to thrive. With partnering with Te Arahanga we are working together so all tamariki can thrive. I will continue to bring updates over the remaining weeks of the year as we move closer to the start of 2026.

As well as Production, in which we can all celebrate our ākonga (students), we have continued to have some excellent success in the regional sense. Please read on in the newsletter to see the amazing job done by our Year 8 Maths Quiz team who won the trophy, coming first in Taranaki against the Intermediates, Colleges and other Full Primary schools. You will also see our Year 7 and 8 Football team are into the Taranaki Final after winning all games in the Taranaki Interschool Day in Hāwera and our Primary School Chess Team came 2<sup>nd</sup> in the tightest Interschool competition the organisers have ever seen. This means they have secured a spot in Nationals held in Christchurch in the next holidays - how great are our kids!

Ngā mihi,  
Gary Poulgrain  
TUMUAKI/PRINCIPAL

EVENTS CALENDAR

WEEK 7 - TERM 3

Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> August  
Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> August

PRODUCTION WEEK

- Production Show #2 7pm
- Reading in Schools
- Production Show #3 7pm

WEEK 8 - TERM 3

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> September

Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September  
Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> September

- Zespri AIMS Games
- Year 6 Swim Safe Week
- Years 1 - 4 Taranaki Cricket Smash Play
- Futsal - Kāhu & Korimako
- Reading in Schools
- Happy Hikoi Day (Walking to School Day)

WEEK 9 - TERM 3

Monday 8<sup>th</sup> September  
Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> September  
Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> September

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> September

- NP Cross Country Event
- NP Cross Country Event (Postponement Day)
- Year 7/8 Omata Cross Country
- Tatarakihi Festival - Hawera
- Reading in Schools
- Happy Hikoi Day (Walking to School Day)
- Year 7/8 Omata Cross Country (Postponement Day)
- Pizza Lunch Day

WEEK 10 - TERM 3

Monday 15<sup>th</sup> September  
Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> September

Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> September

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> September

- Year 8 Immunisations
- Board Meeting 6pm
- Taranaki Music Festival Rehearsal
- Speech Finals Year 7/8 - Te Tai o Rēhua
- Music Festival Performance 6.30pm
- Happy Hikoi Day (Walking to School Day)
- Last day of Term 3

KEEPING CONTACT INFORMATION UP TO DATE

A friendly reminder to please let Donna or Sam in the Office know of any changes to your contact details. By now, you should have returned your child's contact details form, if you haven't please get this back to school urgently. This keeps our information up to date in case of emergencies and also ensures that we have the correct details for our communication with you. HERO will not work for you if you change your email address and don't notify us of this. Please email any changes to [office@mangorei.school.nz](mailto:office@mangorei.school.nz)

MUSIC FESTIVAL TICKETS AVAILABLE FOR SEPTEMBER

To all of our Choir/Ukulele whānau, tickets are still available for the upcoming Music Festival that your child will be taking part in.

The process for buying these tickets is:

1. Fill in the return slip from the notice stating how many tickets (one, two or none) you wish to buy.
2. Take the notice into the office with your payment.
3. If you require further tickets, please put your name on the waiting list when you purchase your tickets. You will be able to buy these tickets after 11<sup>th</sup> September.
4. PLEASE NOTE: TICKETS WILL NOT BE ISSUED TO STUDENTS, AN ADULT IS REQUIRED TO COLLECT PLEASE

Please let me know ASAP if your child is unable to perform at the concert on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> September. If you have any questions, please contact [katrina.aitchison@mangorei.school.nz](mailto:katrina.aitchison@mangorei.school.nz)



# TARANAKI REGIONAL CHESS FINALS

Our Primary and Intermediate teams competed in the Taranaki Chess Regionals in Oakura last Friday. A huge thank you to the parents and teachers who supported the teams.

The Primary team faced tough competition to take out 2nd place this year. John, the local chess co-ordinator has never seen such closely placed teams to work out 1st and 2nd. He was so impressed that despite our 2nd placing, Mangorei School have received a Wild Card entry to Nationals. Our Primary team included Geetham Addagada, Justin Gill, Ofek Cohen and Benjamin Zhou. Congratulations to these boys! We know you will love to compete in Christchurch over the holidays. We wish them all the best.

Our Intermediate Team played very bravely and despite some nerves had great rounds. For some players it was their first time in the competition! We were not podium finishers in this category this year, but the boys should be so pleased with the way they upheld our school values to represent Mangorei School.



## YEAR 7/8 INTERSCHOOL

Last week our Year 7/8 Netball, Football and Rugby teams played in a tournament in Hawera. While all teams did really well, our Football team won all of their games to finish top of their pool. Our semi final game was a nail biter finishing in a draw which meant a penalty shootout! After a very tense battle we beat Oakura 5-4! Well done to all of these fabulous footballers. What a talented bunch! Big thanks to all of our whanau support.



# YEAR 8 MATHS QUIZ

Congratulations to our Year 8 Maths Quiz team who won the Methanex Maths Quiz for year 8's. The team consisted of Annawee Yimpoonsap, Carlo Branca, Emily Wang and Giovanni Marengo. We are so proud of their efforts.



## TOUCH RUGBY - TERM 4 - WE'RE NEARLY THERE WITH NUMBERS!!

**We urgently need more just a few more people to register for Touch Rugby in Term 4.**

None of these are big enough for a team. Ask your friends to come and join playing this great game Monday after school at Devon Intermediate in Term 4.

### [Year 7/8 Touch Rugby Term 4 Registration Form](#)

If you are able to help Manage or Coach these teams, please get in touch with the office or email [craig.henson@mangorei.school.nz](mailto:craig.henson@mangorei.school.nz)

## REMINDERS ABOUT BEING SAFE BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL



If when dropping your child/children off to school on the opposite side of the road, we would advise you to support them in crossing as we don't have our road patrollers on hand at the beginning of the school day. The use of the bus bay is at times getting a little congested, most parents are doing a great job of kissing, dropping and leaving promptly. Thanks for the help in keeping this area flowing.

At 3pm when the bell goes can we please ask our community to do some important actions to ensure the safety of our tamariki and other footpath and road users.

1. Use the Kea Crossing when it is operational between 3pm and 3.10pm if needing to cross the road. Our tamariki are impressionable and so if you cross over on the Tūpare bend or at other places on the busy Mangorei Road it can send messages to them about taking these chances themselves.
2. Do not park on the yellow lines/or double park in the school driveway or the neighbours driveways or attempt to squeeze past cones in the bus bay. Please be considerate of the visibility that our patrollers need to see up and down Mangorei Road.

## PETS DAY LAMBS AND CALVES - REMINDER

We mentioned last week that **Pets Day will be upon us next term** on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> October, if you're keen on your family giving lamb rearing a go - please see information below. With spring nearly on the way, start to consider your child having calf for our historic Pets Day. 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.

### PET LAMBS AVAILABLE FOR PET DAY

- Drinking Milligans Go Whey
- Available for loan, or for sale \$60
- Breed: Perendale/Romney

Phone or text Sarah **027 654 8485** Tarata (Delivery can be arranged!)



## UNCLAIMED PROPERTY

The end of term is coming up and we have an abundance of unclaimed property over at the hall. Could you please have a look and encourage your child to check if anything belongs to them. Any unclaimed property will be donated to charity at the end of this term - thank you.



## PTA NEWS

## ENDURANCE &amp; RESILIENCE DAY / WHANAU KAI TAHI DAY

Thank you to Linda Armstrong for organising Pizza Lunch day at our Whanau Kai Tahi Day. We made a profit of \$858.94. We couldn't have done this without the help of Morgan Thomson, Tina McLeod, RaMarnie Ameriks, Faye Todd, Andrea Mathews, Aimee Dodunski, Emma Hall and Rachel Deegan.

## QUIZ NIGHT

We have some amazing donations from local businesses that have come in for raffles and auctions on the night. Keep an eye out over the next couple of weeks as we share what you can bid to get your hands on.

Keep those ticket purchases coming - book online using this link: [Quiz Night Tickets](#)

We need to sell another 50 tickets for this event to go ahead, don't leave it to the last minute. Last year was an amazing night full of laughs dancing and fun.

## COMMUNITY NEWS

**Term 4 swimming lessons: Book in for your FREE assessment on: Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> September and get booked in ready to start in Term 4.**

**Pop up lessons & assessments**

🌊 TERM 4 | 14TH SEPTEMBER 🌊

📍 Streamline NP

🕒 9:00am – Pop-Up Make-Up Lessons & Baby Introduction Classes

🕒 9:45am – Assessments

📧 Book online or email: [streamline.np@gmail.com](mailto:streamline.np@gmail.com)

🕒 10:30am – Leisure Swim

(Standard leisure swim pricing & supervision rules apply)

☕ Wai Café Open – perfect for a post-swim coffee & nibbles!

**streamline**  
SWIM ACADEMY

**Book via**  
**Customer portal**  
\*limited bookings