



MANGOREI SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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WEEK 6/ TERM 1

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,

To cite one of the greatest rock songs from AC/DC - the front gates are 'Back in Black'! They also come complete with a NEW way of opening which is important for you to know. As you are aware gates are open in the morning up till just after 9am, and then re-opened again just before 3pm.

If you are coming into the school grounds **during school hours** - through the front gate, or (eventually when the lock gets changed) through the bus bay gate you will need to **PUSH THE RED BUTTON DOWN AND LIFT THE LOCK** in order to open the gate. These latches make the gates safer and not as accessible to students to open from the inside. Soon the gates will have new signwriting on them which will include the messaging to contact the office if you have any difficulties getting into the school grounds so we can assist.

It was a real pleasure to see so many of our community come out on the Tri/Bia day. Special thanks to the PTA and all the parents that assisted with the Whanau Kai Tahī day, as well as all the former pupils who are now at New Plymouth Boys High School that came to assist on the running and biking course. Ngā mihi nui to the Te Tihi o Taranaki teachers lead by Mrs Stuck who organised the day and the fabulous weather to accompany it! The kids were wonderful and a great effort was put in by all on the day. It's great for the tamariki to have that wonderful feeling of satisfaction for all their training done with swimming and running.

Next week our Year 5 and 6 students will be going on camp and, as you can imagine it is a mammoth task to plan and prepare to take 60ish kids away for three days. Thanks to the Ahuwhenua team for their efforts in making this happen for our tamariki, and as always our wonderful parent community have stepped up to assist.

Just to remind our community - we have turf. It is awesome for hitting hockey balls on. We are very lucky to have it....so enrol your kid to play hockey! Benefits of kids playing sport are MASSIVE for so many reasons - see further in the newsletter to sign up!

Next week - Basketball registrations will be taken! We have a court. We have hoops....so look to enrol your kid.....

Have a wonderful rest of your week.

Gary Poulgrain
TUMUAKI/PRINCIPAL



EVENTS CALENDAR FOR TERM 1

TONIGHT!	-	Camp Parent Meeting- Year 5/6 (Details Below)
TOMORROW!	-	Happy Hikoï Day (Walking to School Day)
Friday 13 th March	-	Lucky Book Club closes today!!
WEEK 7		
Tuesday 17 th March	-	St John Sessions - Years 7/8
Wednesday 18 th March	-	Ahuwhenua Camp - Vertical Horizon
	-	Girls Cricket Festival Day - Year 7/8
	-	Tech - Year 7/8
Thursday 19 th March	-	Ahuwhenua Camp - Vertical Horizon
Friday 20 th March	-	Ahuwhenua Camp - Vertical Horizon
	-	Girls Football - Year 4
	-	Boys Cricket Festival Day - Year 7/8
WEEK 8		
Monday 23 rd March	-	Vision & Hearing Testing - NE & Year 7's
Tuesday 24 th March	-	Cycle Skills - Year 5/6 (Kereru)
Wednesday 25 th March	-	Tech - Year 7/8
	-	Weetbix Tryathlon
	-	Inter school Swimming - Year 6-8
	-	Board Meeting - 6pm
Thursday 26 th March	-	Happy Hikoï Day (Walking to School Day)
	-	Cycle Skills - Year 4/5 (Kōrimako)
Friday 27 th March	-	Tabloid Sports
WEEK 9		
Monday 30 th March	-	Cycle Skills - Year 5/6 (Kōtare)
	-	Immunisations - Year 7/8
Tuesday 31 st March	-	Science Roadshow
Wednesday 1 st April	-	Tech - Year 7/8
Thursday 2 nd April	-	Interschool Swimming - Year 6-8
	-	Last Day of Term 1

HAERE MAI! WELCOME!

Anika Chandu and Alexander & Sarah Li, who have started with us this week.

TOMORROW! HINENGARO HĪKOI - (WALK TO SCHOOL DAY)

We are having a walking school bus again tomorrow - Join us in a happy hikoï for your hinengaro, and then again in week 8. Get dropped at Branch Road or Tupuhi Place.

- The bus students and anyone here early will leave school at 8:15am with Mrs Duncan.
- We aim to get to Branch Road and Mangorei Road Corner between 8:25am and 8:30am.
- Mr Chilcott will be at Tūpuhi Place around 8:40am to meet up with any extra children wanting to walk together.

LIBRARY DONATIONS - THANK YOU!

A huge thank you to **Matthew Simpson** at Harper Collins Publishing for donating a large amount of new books to our school library. We are very grateful and our tamariki will enjoy these immensely.

YEAR 7/8 CLASS COUNCILLORS

Congratulations to the following year 7/8 students who have been selected as Class Councillors for Terms 1 & 2

KORORA:

Miko Branca & Elena Yu

TOROA:

Taane Carruthers & Lily Tutavaha

TUTURIWHATU:

Kinley Hayward & Aria Orrell

CAMP SUPERVISORS/PARENT HELPERS MEETING - TONIGHT!

Our meeting tonight is specifically for the parents confirmed to attend camp as supervisors/parent helpers. This is a working session to go over supervision duties and is not an information night for the wider parent body. Thank you for your understanding!

CAMP TRANSPORT HELP NEEDED

As mentioned to our Year 5/6 camp families, could you please follow this link if you are able to help transport our tamariki to and/or from camp: [Camp Transport Offer of Help](#)

Parents who are camp parents already can you also please fill in this form so we can cater students to your cars as needed.

For transport on the Wednesday 18th March we ask parents to meet us here at school around 9am, collect kids and their belongings and transport us to Vertical Horizon camp on Everett Road, near Inglewood. We ask our amazing transport helpers to drop off the children and their gear, then say good bye fairly quickly to allow us to settle into our camp routines. At pick up on the Friday 20th March we ask for parents to arrive between 1:10 and 1:20pm, to allow us to pack up the luggage and leave the campsite by 1:30pm.

If you have any questions, please contact kirsten.vangreevenbroek@mangorei.school.nz

CANNED FOOD FOR BREAKFAST CLUB

As mentioned in previous newsletters, we are looking to help build our stock for the breakfast club, and we are running a canned food drive over the next few weeks.

We would really love it if students could please bring a can of either tinned fruit or tinned spaghetti, which we will keep on hand and offer alongside the Weetbix and milk already supplied by the KickStart Breakfast team. Donations will be collected in the Ahuwhenua kitchen. They can be put in the House Group donation box for your child and House Points will be awarded for the cans. Thank you to all that have already dropped off donations, your support is greatly appreciated.

WEETBIX TRYATHLON

Please remember to let the school office know if your child will be absent from school to compete in the Weetbix Tryathlon on Wednesday 25th March. We will set up a gazebo down at Ngāmotu Beach as a school base - if you are attending and could help by returning it to school once the day is done please let us know!.



CURRICULUM TEACHER ONLY DAY REMINDER

As mentioned in Week 3, we have been given two Ministry of Education Curriculum Days to be had over 2026. Our first will be on **FRIDAY 24th APRIL**. **Please note we have placed this on a Friday before a long weekend (Monday 27th is a Public Holiday as ANZAC day is 'Mondayised')**. This is for the benefit of whānau who may wish to plan a longer weekend break.

INTER-INTERMEDIATE SURFING COMPETITION

Last week we had 4 of our Year 7/8 Students go to Fitzroy beach to Compete in the Inter-Intermediate Surfing Competition. Well done to *Ishy Lashin, Taane Carruthers, Mason Noblet & Marco Barnes*, who all did superbly and enjoyed surfing with other competitors on the water.



YEAR 7/8 BOYS CRICKET

Last week we had our Boys cricket team play against FDMC in a Interschool game to qualify for the Jamie Watkins Festival Day Tournament. A very tough team to draw first up, FDMC showed their class and years of cricketing abilities to bat first and put on a formidable total that was too hard for our boys to chase down! Mangorei enjoyed the challenge of playing vs a team that plays a level higher than them on Saturday mornings, and it was great to be exposed to a different level of cricket. Players of the Day were Mark Downes for his outstanding effort in the field, Ian



Lodewyckx for his all round game, and Ben Williams for hitting a great 4 off their quickest bowler! Well done to all boys involved!

Next week we will be sending a Girls Year 7/8 cricket team to the Kate Ebrahim Festival Day Tournament and the Boys Year 7/8 cricket team to the Jamie Watkins Festival Day.

TRI/BI DAY - LAST FRIDAY

Well done to our tamariki for taking part in our annual Tri/Bi Day last Friday. We will have the results for you all in next week's newsletter.

Please see below on how the House points are stacking up!

TRI/BI HOUSE POINTS FOR 2026			
1st Place	2nd Place	3rd Place	4th Place
Mangamahoe	Tupare	Burgess	Ngahere
429	418	349	316

YEARS 3-8 WINTER HOCKEY

Registrations for your child to play Hockey for 2026 are now open. To register, please complete the below link by Friday 20th March.

[YEARS 3-8 WINTER HOCKEY REGISTRATIONS](#)

DETAILS ARE AS FOLLOWS;



MINI STICKS (YEAR 3-4): (6-a-side, quarter turf games).

Starts: Saturday 2nd May

Finishes: Saturday 12th September

Subs: \$70 for the season.

KIWI STICKS (YEAR 5-6): (7-a-side, half turf games)

Starts: Saturday 2nd May

Finishes: Saturday 12th September

Subs: \$90 for the season.

KWIK STICKS (YEAR 7-8): (7-a-side, half turf games)

***Games are played on Monday or Friday nights ***

Starts: Friday 1st May

Finishes: Monday 14th September

Subs: \$120 for the season.

All games are played at *Webster Field, New Plymouth*. Subs for the season cover player entry fees, as well as use and replenishment of team gear.

***Please note that registering your child is a commitment to the team, players must attend practices and each game, unless a valid reason is given. Fees are non-refundable ***

If you are able to assist with coaching or managing a team this year, can you please register your interest through the registration link above. Please email Cody Chilcott if you have any questions or queries: cody.chilcott@mangorei.school.nz

PTA NEWS

YUMMY APPLE STICKERS COLLECTION!

It's Yummies Apple Stickers Collection time!

Please help us collect Yummy Apple stickers for Mangorei School. We can receive Sports equipment if we can collection enough stickers. We have been very lucky in receiving equipment in the last couple of years, for the enjoyment of our children. You can print collection sheets with the following link: <https://www.yummyfruit.co.nz/schools/> Or collect one from the office. Once completed, please drop your sheets into school.

Thank you for your help everyone!



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*Taranaki Diocesan School for Girls
is delighted to invite you
to our Term One open day*

OPEN DAY

Wednesday 18th March 2026

10am – 2pm

*Come and see for yourself what makes our school exceptional.
Bring your daughter and enjoy a student-led tour of our school, see our teachers and students in action, visit the boarding hostel and hear from our current students.*

No RSVP needed, just come along on the day. Can't make it? Not a problem, call our office and book a private tour for a date that suits you.

CHEER OPEN DAY!

★ JOIN THE CHEER FAMILY! ★

Whether You're NEW or EXPERIENCED,
COME TRY CHEER WITH US!

STUNTS

- ★ FUN & HIGH-ENERGY SESSIONS
- ★ MEET THE COACHES
- ★ SKILL DEVELOPMENT
- ★ ALL AGES & LEVELS WELCOME!

TUMBLING

21ST MARCH 2026
10AM - 1PM
1/20 SALTASH STREET


★ BUILD CONFIDENCE ★ MAKE FRIENDS ★ HAVE FUN! ★

GOLD COIN ENTRY




Platinum Elite
NEW ZEALAND

GIRAFFES CAN'T DANCE






2026 SEASON!
14 - 15 Mar

Book A Ticket



Dance Centre
306 St Aubyn St. N.P.
Tickets (06) 7580991

SPONSORED BY:    VAL DEAKIN DANCE THEATRE



The BIG Easter Weekend!



Over \$3000 of prizes to be won!

FOUR DAYS OF WHĀNAU FUN!

- Annual Easter Rock Hunt
- Easter Hub for the kids
- Face Painting
- Sausage Sizzle

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74 Ngā Manu Reserve Road
Waikanae




NEW PLYMOUTH BOYS' HIGH SCHOOL
TE KURA TAHAŌANGA O NGĀMAITU

FESTIVAL OF CRICKET – FAMILY FUN DAY

🕒 2:00 pm. 1st XI Game - 3:00 pm

📅 Sunday, 15 March

📍 New Plymouth Boys' High School
Top Field

All skill levels are welcome. The event starts at 2pm, so bring the whole family along for an afternoon of cricket and community fun. Stay to support our 1st XI cricket team as they take on St Paul's Collegiate in a T20-style game at 3pm.

Enjoy a BBQ fundraiser supporting our students attending the Australasian Cricket Tour.



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