



MANGOREI SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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WEEK 7/ 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,

I know that I have sung the praises of Team Sport before but I do want to highlight that having your children involved in sport supports stronger connections, healthy bodies and minds as well as learning key life lessons such as being patient with others, how to lose well and how to win well. I say this because at present there are multiple opportunities for you to consider being involved in bringing these valuable lessons into your child's growth and development as a person. Playing sport fits in with our school vision 'Know Myself' - kids get to explore their strengths and weaknesses in playing sport.

For our parents, having your child get involved in sport is a great way for you to meet other parents, and to see your child, child's' friends and peers in a different situation. The best teams are not the ones holding up trophies, usually it's the one where the kids go to play hard, but play for fun and parents model the great behaviour on the sideline that they want their children to follow and grow into as the next generation of parents to come.

With that in mind, last week you would have seen the last few weeks there have been opportunities to get involved as parents of Y7/8's in Netball, last week a call was made for all children in Years 3 to 8 to play hockey and this week we are calling for Miniball (Year 0 to Year 4) and Basketball (Year 5-8). Please look at this information and look to get involved! It is always a proud moment when your child gets to wear the Mangorei uniform and play for the school.

On a completely different note I just wanted to say that our Attendance Management plan is up on our website <https://mangorei.school.nz/attendance-plan/>. As I spoke about last year, and what you have heard so much in the media, Attendance is a key focus of the Ministry of Education. Some data to share - in Term 4 last year 57.3% of children attended school for 90% of the term. Taranaki School data for Term 4 is slightly below that in the 50-55% range. Mangorei School attendance data for Term 4 last year was 69% of students attended 90% or more. We can feel happy that we are tracking better than most but it still is a far cry from the 80% of students attending at least 90% of the time that we are aiming to achieve by 2030. As a school we are wanting to lift this as we know that it is here that a lot of the magic of learning is happening on a daily basis.

This will mean that as of next week, to be in line with Ministry requirements, we will be making contact with families when students shift between levels in the plan i.e when students move to 'Yellow' (5 days absent or more), Orange (10 days absent or more), up to red (15 days or more). As we have now had a good settling time we will be looking at the data and sending out this communication tomorrow.

Our campers have headed off today and have lovely weather ahead of them for their time away at Vertical Horizons in Inglewood. I'm looking forward to popping out to see the kids complete some great outdoor challenges.

Have a wonderful rest of week everyone,

Ngā Mihi,
Gary Poulgrain
TUMUAKI/PRINCIPAL

EVENTS CALENDAR FOR TERM 1

WEEK 7

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
	-	Swimming Sports - Year 6-8
	-	Board Meeting - 6pm
Thursday 26 th March	-	Happy Hiko 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
	-	Interschool Swimming - Year 6-8
Thursday 2 nd April	-	Last Day of Term 1
Monday 20 th April	-	First Day of Term 2

MINIBALL (Year 0-4) AND BASKETBALL (YEAR 5-8) REGISTRATIONS NOW OPEN!

Register for your child to play either Miniball (Year 0-4) or Basketball (Year 5-8), one of the biggest and fastest growing sports in NZ! It's a super sport, you don't have to huddle under an umbrella in your gumboots in the rain as it is all held inside the TSB Stadium - same location every week! So easy, and only 6 minutes drive from school!



KEY INFORMATION:

- ❖ The season goes from Mid-May to September.
- ❖ Year 0-2 and Year 3-4 teams play Miniball (a more simplified game of basketball), between 3.30 pm and 5.45pm on a Wednesday. The odd game could be on a Monday for Year 0-2 or Tuesday for Y3-4 after school.
- ❖ Year 5/6 teams play between 4pm and 6.40pm on a Monday.
- ❖ Year 7/8 boys teams play mostly Monday evenings with a possible odd game on a Tuesday.
- ❖ Year 7/8 girls teams play on Tuesday afternoons.
- ❖ Students will be issued with a Mangorei uniform to play in.
- ❖ Practice times will be advised once coaches are aligned with teams.
- ❖ As with last year, mouthguards are compulsory for all levels (one is provided at start of season by the basketball association).
- ❖ If you have more than one child playing please complete separate forms for each child.

Please click on the link below and get into a great season!

[2026 MINIBALL/BASKETBALL SCHOOL REGISTRATION](#)



TRIATHLON RESULTS 2026



NEW ENTRANT GIRLS

- 1st Cady Brownlie
2nd Ryleigh McCutcheon
3rd Lucy Fagg

YR 1 GIRLS

- 1st Amelia Baker
2nd Lexi Löwl
3rd Miya Fowell

YR 2 GIRLS

- 1st Charlotte Lynch
2nd Olivia Scouller
3rd Brooke Mascull

YR 3 GIRLS

- 1st Annika Ritchie
2nd Rui Newsome
3rd Addi Löwl

YR 4 GIRLS

- 1st Mila Noblet
2nd Lily Burke
3rd Eliza Zglobis

YR 5 GIRLS

- 1st Spencer Wilson-Armstrong
2nd Sophia Mathews
3rd Lexie Dodunski

YR 6 GIRLS

- 1st Lila Hagenson
2nd Selvi Macmillan
3rd Grace Ameriks

YR 7 GIRLS

- 1st Lily Tutavaha
2nd Evie Orrell
3rd Aria Orrell

YR 8 GIRLS

- 1st Lila Donovan
2nd Olivia Grimmer
3rd April Hagenson

NEW ENTRANT BOYS

- 1st Marcus Ou
2nd Harry McKinlay
3rd Shaan Desai

YR 1 BOYS

- 1st Seb Ritchie
2nd Ryder Dodunski
3rd Koen Boyd

YR 2 BOYS

- 1st Munro Rogers-Smith
2nd Jack Burke
3rd Louis Suckling

YR 3 BOYS

- 1st Walter Hagenson
2nd Max Weaver
3rd Louis Tutavaha

YR 4 BOYS

- 1st Hugo Rolfe
2nd Ritchie Fifita
3rd Elijah Graham

YR 5 BOYS

- 1st Lawson Rumball
2nd Riley Boyd
3rd Braith Hayward

YR 6 BOYS

- 1st Levi Crawford
2nd Ofek Cohen
3rd Lachlan Hamnett

YR 7 BOYS

- 1st Caleb Hotter
2nd Taane Carruthers
3rd Ian Lodewyckx

YR 8 BOYS

- 1st Ishy Lashin
2nd Miko Branca
3rd Jack Hall

BIATHLON RESULTS 2026

YR 8 GIRLS

- 1st Sofia Danych
- 2nd Erin van Deventer
- 3rd Theja Garner

YR 8 BOYS

- 1st Reef Stieller
- 2nd Asher Razali
- 3rd Samuel Lim

YR 7 GIRLS (2 Laps)

- 1st Aliyah Devonshire
- 2nd Audrey Lightfoot
- 3rd Ruby Travers

YR 7 BOYS (2 Laps)

- 1st Charlie Maseyk
- 2nd Korbyn Kamilo
- 3rd Jesse Belcher

YR 7 BOYS (3 Laps)

- 1st Lincoln Saunders
- 2nd Marco Barnes
- 3rd Sawyer Bullen

YR 6 GIRLS

- 1st Seul Lee
- 2nd Aria Razali
- 3rd Connagh Rumball

YR 6 BOYS

- 1st Grayson Giles
- 2nd Tate Espin
- 3rd Geetham Addagada

YR 5 GIRLS

- 1st An Thapa
- 2nd Bianca Toledo
- 3rd Chloe Vincent

YR 5 BOYS

- 1st Seb Weaver
- 2nd Lucah Giles
- 3rd Jaelyn McCutcheon

YR 4 GIRLS

- 1st Katie Pan
- 2nd Noelle Stewart
- 3rd Evelyn Yu

YR 4 BOYS

- 1st Richie Venizelou
- 2nd Irah Rogers-Smith
- 3rd Cruz Stieller

YR 3 GIRLS

- 1st Parker Rumball
- 2nd Willow Caskey
- 3rd Skyla Adamson

YR 3 BOYS

- 1st Hudson Saunders
- 2nd Ezra Ramsamy
- 3rd Aarush Barman

MANGAMAHOE

NGAHERE

1 st Place	2 nd Place	3 rd Place	4 th Place
Mangamahoe	Tupare	Burgess	Ngahere



VISION & HEARING SCREENING INFORMATION

The Vision and hearing screening is completed by Te Whatu Ora Health New Zealand Vision and Hearing Technicians at our school. The technician will be visiting our school on **Monday 23rd March** to test eligible children for vision and/or hearing.

Eligible children include:

NEW ENTRANTS

Routine screening is completed for children who are new to school, and/or have not completed their B4 School Check and/or require further testing post B4 School Check.

YEAR 7'S

Routine vision screening is completed for all Year 7 students and Year 8 students who have not completed the Year 7 screening and/or students that require further testing. If you have any queries or concerns, or do not wish for your child to have this screening done, please contact the school office.

WEETBIX TRYATHLON NEXT WEEK

Please remember to let the school office know if your child will be absent from school to compete in the Weetbix Tryathlon **next 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!



REMINDER - SWIMMING SPORTS - YEAR 6-8

Our Year 6-8 children have the opportunity to take part in our school Swimming Sports event that is coming up next **Wednesday 25th March** (as mentioned previously - this is also the Weetbix Tryathlon day.)

The students will travel by bus to the Bell Block Pools to take part in swimming races (*freestyle, backstroke and breaststroke*). Each child has the opportunity to enter one or more of the races. From this, our Mangorei Team is chosen to represent us at the up and coming Interschool Sports event in Week 9 of this term.



SCIENCE ROADSHOW IS COMING!

Being held in our very own hall, the Mangorei Roadshow Truck is coming to Mangorei School! This is an interactive science experience that has science demonstrations and interactive displays that show a range of science strands of Physics, Biology and Chemistry. All Year 4 to 8 students will be attending and we get a host school discount of \$9 per student to attend (usually \$10). This will show on your account. We have no travel and travel costs involved and a group of our own Year 8 leaders get to assist as 'explainers' over the day. The day of the visit is **Tuesday 31st March**.

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.

YMCA AFTER-SCHOOL CARE IN 2026

Just a reminder that you can get support from *Jordan* and the team with YMCA After-School care operating out of the school hall from 3pm-5.30pm each day. They can support you with any childcare needed get in touch with *Jordan* about registering your child/children for the year.

PUMPKINS AND CABBAGE IN THE MARA KAI

We got out in the sun a week ago to weed and plant the Mara Kai (Food Garden) behind Korimako. The Ahuwhenua team did a great job of planting some pumpkins at the end of last year and they are almost ready to harvest. After clearing out the weeds, we got stuck in and planted some cabbages. We hope to have a good harvest ready for our 100 year anniversary feast. Thank you to all the wonderful student helpers and Mrs Moffat who oversees the Mara Kai.



MANGAMAHOE

NGAHERE

YEARS 3-8 WINTER HOCKEY REMIDER

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

COMMUNITY NEWS



EASTER COLOURING COMPETITION

WIN A FAMILY STAY + AN EPIC EASTER HAMPER!



PLUS exciting spot prizes to be won!

NOVOTEL
NEW PLYMOUTH TARANAKI

- Open to ages 14 and under
- Entries close Sunday 19 April
- Drop off at Novotel New Plymouth or Haukai Bistro & Bar
- Bonus entry for sharing on social media

[Easter Colouring Competition - Novotel New Plymouth](#)



PROUDLY PRESENTS:

\$50
PER PLAYER

JUNIOR VOLLEYBALL HOLIDAY SKILLS CLINIC #12

THURSDAY 16TH APRIL, 2026

9:15AM - 2:30PM

TSB STADIUM, NEW PLYMOUTH



FOR SCHOOL STUDENTS IN YEARS 6-9

Option 1: Beginners, those wanting to learn

Option 2: Advanced, those keen to improve their skills

BRING SHOES, DRINK BOTTLE, LUNCH/SNACKS

SPACES ARE LIMITED



**REGISTRATIONS CLOSE ON
TUESDAY 14TH APRIL**

ENTER USING THE LINK ON THE FACEBOOK PAGE

<https://facebook.com/SpotswoodVolleyballClub>