



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'

Wednesday
20th
May 2026
WEEK 5 / TERM 2

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Kia Ora Whānau,

We have been watching eagerly to see how our rock star Year 6 Chess player Geetham Addagada is going at the the Commonwealth Chess competition over in Sri Lanka - his first game yesterday resulted in a win so that is a great start! We will keep you posted! With Lila Hagenson (NZ BMX team competing in Australia) and Levi Crawford (U10's NZ Representative football team playing in the Youth World Cup)) as well as Geetham, it is wonderful to see these students pursuing their passions with such wonderful opportunities.

Thank you to those parents who attended to school opening of the new 'Kura Ngāhere o Mangorei' 'School forest of Mangorei' playspace on Friday. Later that morning we had Hoani Eruwhata come to bless this space from Ngāti Te Whiti and over this week it has been wonderful to see the space used with such imaginative play. Once again a huge thanks to our fabulous parents in the PTA for donating the money for this development - the tamariki gave them a standing ovation!

News stories on the changes and developments in Education continue to come thick and fast and so I will continue with our 'Curriculum Corner' piece later in the newsletter to keep dropping in information - particularly on the developments with assessment and reporting. I'd like to thank our teachers for navigating these changes as we look towards our Mid-Year reporting interviews held later in the year.

You will see on the upcoming events that we have Jari Jacobs returning from Dance Curriculum to run sessions for each of our year levels. Jari was a staff member here before becoming involved as a dance teacher that now travels between Australia and NZ. His sessions culminate with Syndicate and Whole school dance performances around 2.15pm on Tuesday 2nd June so pop this in your calendars please, we would love to see you here.

The Centenary Committee met again on Monday and we are set to go live with the events over the weekend! I really hope you have locked in the dates over labour weekend. We are running Pets Day on the Saturday this year and so dearly love for all our tamariki to be here for that. Some 'ticketed' events are the Friday night Meet and Greet time, and a dinner and dance on the Saturday night at the New Plymouth Club, and some 'High Tea' sessions on the Sunday to name a few! Keep an eye out for these details and if you have not already done so please sign up to the Mangorei School [Facebook page](#) or jump on the [Mangorei Centenary Facebook Page](#) to keep informed. If you have registered your interest via the Mangorei School Website then you will be the first to get notified about the events and tickets when they come out.

This week you may have noticed more relief staff working in our classes. As a school we have been working through a tough time with a past Mangorei student having passed away. It has been a challenging time for the school and it has been wonderful to see staff rally around and support each other over this time.

Have a wonderful rest of the week - isn't this sunshine just the best!

Nga Mihinui
Gary Poulgrain
TUMUAKI/PRINCIPAL

UPCOMING EVENTS IN TERM 2

WEEK 5

Wednesday 20 th May	-	Tech - Year 7/8
	-	Rippa Tournament - Year 5/6 (TET Inglewood)
Thursday 21 st May	-	Reading In Schools
Friday 22 nd May	-	Mihi Whakatau at 2.15pm

WEEK 6

Wednesday 27 th May	-	Tech - Year 7/8
	-	Dance Curriculum with Jari
Thursday 28 th May	-	Happy Hikoī Day (Walking to School Day)
	-	Dance Curriculum with Jari
	-	Reading In Schools
	-	Otago Problem Solving #2
	-	PTA AGM - 6.30pm (Library)
Friday 29 th May	-	Dance Curriculum with Jari
	-	Pizza Lunch Day

WEEK 7

Monday 1 st June	-	KING'S BIRTHDAY OBSERVED - School Closed
Tuesday 2 nd June	-	Dance Performance at school 2.15pm ALL WELCOME!

HAERE MAI! WELCOME!

Barnaby Beattie who has started with us this week

MIHI WHAKATAU REMINDER

Our Mihi Whakatau for our new whānau and staff members that have started with us since Term 1 is this Friday at 2.15pm, everyone is welcome!

CONGRATULATIONS - KA RAWE!

Paige Olliver
For attaining her Sporting Excellence Certificate



Merrilands New World
for supplying yummy
apples and bread this
week.

CURRICULUM CORNER

Now for our second instalment sharing another piece of exciting information regarding the upcoming changes to reporting for parents! Last time we shared about the new Progress Descriptors (Emerging, Developing, Consolidating, Proficient and Exceeding) that will be used to describe where your child currently is in terms of achievement in Reading, Writing and Mathematics. This is in relation to the new curriculum expectations.

Today, the term I'll share with you is **Teaching to the Level**. In the new curriculum, learning is set out in a fixed year-by-year format, with specific requirements for achievement at each year level. This is a significant philosophical shift from our previous model which acknowledged that children progress at different rates from different starting points. Therefore, teachers are teaching to the curriculum level expected in that year group, regardless of what their academic ability is. Teachers then use their well-honed skills to adapt the content for those who require more support, as well as adapt the content for those high flyers. What this means in terms of reporting then, is that your child's Progress Descriptor they are given for Reading, Writing or Mathematics is based on the Curriculum for their Year level eg. All Year 5 students, learn the Year 5 expected content with teachers adapting the curriculum for all abilities to engage with it.

YEAR 5/6 NETBALL

If your child is interested in playing Netball next term please follow the link below to [register your child as a 'player'](#).

We are also requiring the wonderful expertise of volunteers and helpers to make these teams a success; if you are happy to help or wanting to learn to coach or umpire please email pip.parker@outlook.com before Friday 22nd May.

The netball season begins on Tuesday 21st July through until Tuesday 29th September. Games will be played between 3.45pm-5.30pm at Waiwhakaiho Courts, Fitzroy. It is a great opportunity for children to become confident in the game and develop their skills further. If you would like further information regarding the game please visit this website: <http://www.netballtaranaki.org.nz/futureferns/years-56-1>

[Registrations now close Friday 22nd May.](#)

Please follow the link: <https://www.sporty.co.nz/viewform/190556?as=t>

Any further questions feel free to contact Pip: pip.parker@outlook.com

INTERSCHOOL

What a brilliant day for a fun, fabulous but tough sports exchange against Central School. A massive thanks to the coaches and spectators who make our days happen. A huge effort by our kids, who showed grit, teamwork and resilience. We received a lovely email from one of the Central School Teachers who had to let us know how wonderful our kids were on the day and how they were a real credit to the school with their interactions and the way they showed support for each other. Ka rawe kia koutou! Well done all.



HIGH TEA FUNDRAISER

A big thank you to all those that donated ingredients, baked food and volunteered their time for the High Tea yesterday. It was a great success thanks to you all.

I'll be back to spam you all for the next one in June. A big thank you to Rachel who is organising the high teas for a third year in a row, she does a fantastic job of coordinating everything.

PTA AGM

Our PTA AGM will be held on Thursday 28th May at 6:30pm in the school library. We would love to see some new faces come along and hear about the wonderful things our PTA supports within our school community - everyone is welcome!

PIZZA LUNCH FUNDRAISER

Pizza Lunch Day is next week Friday 29th May. Order forms have been sent home with children. But don't worry if your child's did not make it home. Just put your number of slices, child's room and name on a piece of paper with the exact money into the office by Friday this week please. You can order ham and cheese slices \$2.50 per slice. Gluten free option also available.



High Tea at Tūpare

Dress in your finest attire and savor the splendour of Tūpare whilst enjoying a delicious High Tea in the Chapman-Taylor designed house.

Sundays - 2pm to 4pm:

- 14 June
- 26 July
- 23 August
- 20 September
- 18 October

\$30 per person*
BOOKINGS ONLY
Book tickets at Eventbrite

 Fundraiser for the Mangorei School PTA
Vehicle access not permitted



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