



Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Peace be upon you, kia mau te rongo ki a koe, as salaam alaikum

Term 2 is now well underway and we have many children involved in after school sporting activities during the week and in the weekends. Thank you to all those parents and family members who support the children through coaching, managing, transporting and most importantly, positively supporting from the sideline. Coaches and referees have a difficult job, I know I have been there myself at all levels! And remember, not all children will be Richie McCaw, Casey Kapua, Stacey Michelsen, Hannah Wilkinson or Roger Tuivasa-Sheck. It takes a team for the stars to shine.

During term 1, I was away from the school on what is called a sabbatical. This involved me visiting schools and completing research. Visiting schools is always an interesting venture as, while we are all different in some ways, we are all the same in many others!

In my discussions with schools around a number of topics (which essentially came down to building great citizens) there were three recurring topics - the need for society to focus on and emphasise the values of Kindness; Respect and "Service to Others". Schools approached them in slightly different ways depending on their community, but all considered the following (as we do at Maunu):

- **Kindness** is:
 - Being friendly, generous and considerate
 - Doing something and not expecting anything in return
 - Respecting and helping others without waiting for someone to return the act

Science informs us that being kind and receiving kindness improves our health!

- **Respect** (verb)
 - Having due regard for someone's feelings, wishes and rights
 - We can show respect by listening; affirming; serving; being kind and being polite
 - Respect in relationships builds feelings of trust, safety and wellbeing

- You don't have to agree with someone or share their beliefs or feelings, but you can show respect.

- **Service to Others**

- Pay it forward - the old saying: "What goes round comes round", so make it a good experience.
- By contributing to society you help yourself and the people around you to be safe and to grow.

It is great to be back at Maunu School and I sincerely thank the board of trustees for supporting the sabbatical and the amazing Maunu staff for their efforts, hard work and dedication. Claire Turton led the school expertly and I thank her for stepping into the role of Principal.

This is a busy school and I encourage you to read all newsletter and information sheets that come home and put dates etc. on your home calendar. Every now and then we get a child coming to the office upset because they have missed a deadline or forgotten to order something (lunch?) but we are unable to fix the problem as it is out of our hands. Please talk to your child about the importance of getting newsletters to you and also in returning anything to the office or classroom promptly.

Country Fair:

The first Saturday of November this year will be the 19th running of the highly successful and celebrated Maunu School Country Fair!! It is an amazing community event and raises upward of \$20,000 a year. This year we are continuing to fundraise for the upgrading of the court/turf area and also to look at shade systems. These all come at a cost, and that is where we need your help. The Country Fair needs people to take on roles of organisation and people to support those people. Please contact the school or PTA with your offer of help. In some ways this is part of the "service" value where by you giving, others benefit. The PTA are a wonderful group of hardworking parents of the school, who give of their time and energy to make us the great place we are. They are also a lot of fun to be around!!

Arriving at School in the morning:

If your child is late to school, after the bell has rung, they must report to the office. Rolls are marked first thing in the morning and any child not in the classroom will be marked absent. The office will then call home to check on the child. If a child comes in late and does not check in with the office then you will receive a phone call. By your child checking in with the office before they head to class, we can be more efficient and not disturb you.

While there are times, when due to unforeseen circumstances, a child will be late it is important that lateness does not become a regular. Children miss out on many things when they are late - they do not have a chance to meet, greet and make friends; they do not get to greet the teacher; they are not ready for their learning and they often miss important notices. It is also important to create good habits, and being on time and prepared for "work" is one of these.

Nga mihi
Paul Shepherd
Principal

BOARD OF TRUSTEES ELECTIONS

- Coming home, by post will be nomination forms for the BOT elections.
- If you know of someone you would like to nominate or would like to nominate yourself, then fill in the form and return it to the school office ASAP.
- **Timeline as follows.**
 - Nominations formed posted by 10 May 2019
 - Nominations close Noon 24 May 2019
 - Voting papers issued by 29 May 2019 if an election is required.
 - Voting closes Noon 7 June 2019
 - Votes counted and results declared 13 June 2019
 - Board take office 14 June 2019

SCHOOL TRUSTEE ELECTIONS


Michelle Manihera
Returning Officer

TERM 1 DATES

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| ➤ 17 May | Pink Shirt Day |
| ➤ 17 May | Junior WAGS trip |
| ➤ 24 May | BoT Nominations close 12noon |
| ➤ 27 – 31 May | Life Education Trust |
| ➤ 3 June | Queen's Birthday- NO SCHOOL |
| ➤ 1 – 3 July | 3 Way Conferences |
| ➤ 5 July | Last Day of Term 2 |

FULL SCHOOL ASSEMBLY

- We have whole school assembly this Friday starting at 2:15pm. **ALL welcome.**

IMPROVING WRITING ENGAGEMENT AT MAUNU SCHOOL – PLEASE READ ALOUD TO YOUR CHILD

- We are currently trying to increase achievement and engagement in writing at Maunu School. One of the easiest ways you can help with this at home is by reading to your child. If a child has never heard the word, they cannot read it or write it.
- We all know children love being read to. Please make a special time to read and discuss stories with your child every day. Our school library has many wonderful books which you are welcome to borrow.



WELCOME TO OUR NEW STUDENTS

- Hello **Riley Sisam, Lilly Matson, Piper Gillingham and Saige Ritchie-Warren** who have started this term in the junior classrooms. Looking forward to sharing lots of laughter and learning with you!

LOOSE PARTS PLAY

- Just a reminder that if you have any old drain pipes, wooden and plastic boxes of different shapes and sizes, pots and pans, old cooking utensils, rope, cylinders or reels then **please drop them off in the wooden boxes by Rm 3 and Rm 5/6.**
- We can't wait to put them in use with our Learning through Play and Discovery Inquiry time. **Thank you**





WEDNESDAY LUNCH AND FRIDAY PTA SAUSAGE SIZZLE ORDERS

- We use Lunchonline - www.lunchonline.co.nz where parents and caregivers can order lunches (menu online) for their children for Wednesday and a PTA sausage sizzle lunch for Friday.
- The Wednesday lunches will be delivered in time for lunch at 12.30pm. **Orders must be in by 8.00am Wednesday mornings** and please check you have the right room number for your children
- The Friday PTA sausage sizzle are cooked by Mr. Lamb (school caretaker) and delivered to the classrooms at lunchtime too. **Orders must be in by 9.00am Friday mornings.**



TUESDAY SUSHI ORDERS

- Students are able to order fresh Sushi every Tuesday at morning tea from the School Hall.
- Each piece is \$1 and there are 3 choices; Avocado, Teriyaki Chicken and/or Crispy Chicken.**
- Students line up and patiently wait their turn to be served by the Maunu Sushi server and can eat their sushi at morning tea or buy it for their lunch.



PINK SHIRT DAY – 17TH MAY

- We will be celebrating Pink Shirt Day this year on Friday 17th of May. Children have been encouraged to take part in a T-shirt design competition, wear as much pink as possible on the day and to think about being an up-stander rather than a by-stander when faced with challenging situations.
- After completing class based activities during the morning and middle blocks, we will meet as a whole school for a photograph on the field in the afternoon.



CERTIFICATE WINNERS – 12 APRIL

Rm 1	Amaira Chaudhry Malia-Faye Foster	Seth Wilkin Agatha Ibin
Rm 2	Kyra Malcolm	Renee Hardwick
Rm 3	Lauren Soulsby Grayson Craig	Grace Cumming Harley Byers
Rm 4	Sophie Smith Riley Waddell	Jayde Tamariki Leo Bell
Rm 5/6	Josie Keast Dayna Sangster Rohan Singh Leroy Hydes	Elias Noone Malachy Smedley Eden White Taika Higgison
Rm 7	Oscar Reid Hamiora Matthews-Borrell	Holly Fielden Charlie Groome
Rm 8	Braxton Seymour Chloe Keighran	Hayden Baker Caitlin Aubrey
Rm 9	Jewel Rajab Madison Fedarb	Thomas Palmer Braxton Caske
Rm 10	Emerson Love Kaura Higgison	Lawrence Su Youseff Rajab
Rm 11	Reanna Stratton Kredence Mitchell-Tobin	Maureen Kumar Kevin Shaji
Rm 12	Chris Martin Evie Jenkins	Greer Rapana Charlie Bilner
Rm 13	Morgan Turton Monique Pheng	Kevin Cloete Zane Lamb
Rm 14	Mikaela Hurst Sam Winder Ethan Matos Santos Jepsen	Shelby Hoyle

MEASLES IMMUNISATION RECORDS

- In light of the current national situation with regards to reported cases of measles please check that your children's immunisation records are up to date and inform us here in the school office if your situation has changed or you want to check our records are correct. **Thank you**

COMMUNITY NEWS

Whangarei Intermediate School – Bot Elections

If your child will be enrolled at an Intermediate School in 2020, you have the choice to take part in their Board of Trustee Elections, as a pending parent from a contributing school. Please feel free to contact myself on 0274758334 or by email: pipipicker@gmail.com if you would like to discuss this and require voting papers.

Phiona Wilson - Returning Officer for WIS

Host Families Needed

Embark on one of the most exciting and rewarding experiences of your life

- ✓ Experience a new culture
- ✓ Learn a language at home
- ✓ Rediscover and share the beauty of NZ



Students arrive in Jan, April, June and July and stay for 3, 5, or 10 months. All students have a wide range of interests and hobbies. If your family can offer a wide range of interests and hobbies. If your family can offer a friendly, supportive and caring home environment, contact us today 0800440079 or info@studentexchange.org.nz. Visit www.studentexchange.org.nz/hosting for more information.

Huanui College Garage Sale

This Saturday 11 May - 7 am start. Raffles, baking, sausage sizzle, clothes, toys, furniture, + much more!

**Huanui College
GARAGE SALE**

Stonewood Homes King of the Hill

6 km Fun Run/Walk next Sunday 19 May at 10 am start @ Huanui College
Entries: www.huanuicollege.school.nz

Nursery Work School Hours

Lynwood Avocado Nursery is looking to employ a person for grafting and general nursery work at their Avocado nursery in Maunu.

We are happy to have people working around school hours or doing more hours depending on your circumstances.

Grafting requires people with good eyesight and good hands/nimble fingers. People that do handcrafts, tend to be very good at grafting.

All training is given and we pay above the minimum wage. Contact Stuart Pascoe on 4346664 / 0226579695 or email stuart@lynwood.co.nz



Annual Northland Kiwi Call Count Survey

The first official 'listening window' for the 2019 Annual Northland Kiwi Call Count Survey runs from May 22nd – June 10th. Find more details at: <https://kiwicoast.org.nz/events/northland-annual-kiwi-call-count-survey/> Families can take part and contribute to our understanding of the increasing numbers of kiwi in our area.

WADPA Fundraiser

Aladdin Movie fundraiser - tickets \$20 each includes popcorn and a drink.

Contact Tabitha Kaiser on 0272406767 or alternatively Michelle Bates on 0212597066 for tickets. Click link

<https://www.facebook.com/events/347635275886533/?ti=as> All funds raised will go towards the dancers costs for the 2020 She Shines On L.A. Dance Tour.



Donovan Bixley
Author/Illustrator Workshop
For budding writers and illustrators aged 8 to 13

FREE ENTRY

Wednesday 15 May
4 to 5pm
Whangārei Central Library

Flying Furballs Double Cross

International award winning and best selling author and illustrator, Donovan Bixley will share his love of writing and illustrating.

Donovan will talk about how he makes his books and get students drawing and thinking about different ways they can tell stories with pictures.

www.whangarei-libraries.com

Multicultural Whangarei
cordially invites you to
INTERNATIONAL DAY OF FAMILIES
Family fun, children's activities, entertainment, market stalls, henna, face painting & ethnic food

Date: Saturday May 18, 2019
Venue: Forum North, Whangarei
Time: 11am - 2pm

Contact:
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