



Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Greetings to you all; oha atu ki a koutou katoa; Zhì dàjiā 致大家; salam kepada kamu semua; groete aan julle almal

We define family in many different ways: not just by blood but by people with whom we find a common ground and a common bond. (Adrienne C. Moore)

This will be the final newsletter of the year. I would like to thank all the people who have supported the school throughout 2019. Maunu School is fortunate to have a great team of parents, family members and friends who support us in every aspect of school-life. We try to provide as many opportunities as we can in as many different areas as possible, but this wouldn't be possible without your support.

The support you have given us, be it camps, trips, in the classroom, the Friday Sausage Sizzle, Country Fair, or other events is a feature of the school. It wouldn't be the same without you all.

To the Board of Trustees, a huge thank you for the supportive way you work toward the school being the best it can be. The commitment you show for the students and families of the school is a hallmark of Maunu School's uniqueness. The staff also value the support you give to them in so many ways.

The PTA have had another wonderful year. This small group of dedicated people work tirelessly to support the school. The funds they raise go directly to supporting the students at Maunu School, including the development of the turf area. We thank you for all that you do.

The teachers have been committed to provide a range of opportunities, support and programmes to ensure each child can be their very best. It has been another extremely busy year with many successes. They have gone above and beyond in many areas to give as many students as possible a chance to shine. We are so lucky to have the most awesome support staff - office, caretaker, library and learning support. These wonderful people keep the machine moving and their dedication and enthusiasm is much appreciated by all. They are often the "behind the scene" heroes.

The children have all worked hard over the course of the year. There are always learning opportunities to be had and it is great to see children having a go at new and different challenges. Each child brings their individuality to the school, and then has to become part of a number of teams!!! Quite a challenge for anyone. Whenever we have any of our students go out of the school, we always get very positive feedback about their attitude, manners and respectful behaviour.

In a couple of weeks, we farewell our Year 6 students, who are now ready for the next stage of their learning journey. Thank you for your contributions to the school, not only this year but in the past. Remember that you will always be part of Maunu School and the friends you have made, the people you have met and your achievements.

To all those families who end their time with us we wish you all the best and thank you for your involvement. For some it is 10 years or more - a truly significant association.

An Evening with Kathryn Berkett: On the 29th of January 2020, before school starts for students, the staff will be involved in a PD day with nationally renowned educational psychologist, Kathryn Berkett. Her work around resilience and the neuroscience that explains why our brains respond the way they do is recognised worldwide. Kathryn has generously said that she will hold a public evening on the evening of the 29th for the communities of Otaika Valley School, Maungatapere School and Maunu School. This will be held from 7 - 8.30pm. A flyer is attached with details.

Final Assembly - Monday 16 December, 11am

The final assembly for the year will be on Monday 16 December at 11.00am – ALL welcome. This assembly will go for approximately 1 ½ hours. This assembly is a chance to recognise children across the school for their efforts and achievements and to farewell the Year 6 students. It is a formal assembly and we would expect children to be in tidy clothes, in case they are an award winner and get called to the stage! This is our last newsletter, so any award winners will be put on the school website after the assembly.

If you are coming to the assembly can you please ensure you are seated by 11am, phones are on silent and preschoolers are looked after

End of Year: School closes at 12.30pm on Wednesday 18th December. The bus will run at this time as well. Please ensure you make arrangements for children to be picked up. After school care (Maunu Educare) will be operating that day. If you wish to use their services contact them on 021 946019 and at info@schoolholidayprogrammes.co.nz. Reports will go home on Monday 16th December and children will meet in their 2020 classes at 1.45pm on Monday 16th.

2020: School begins for children at 9am on Monday 3 February. Thursday 6th February is a public holiday - Waitangi Day.

Staffing for 2020:

Teaching staff and Syndicate Organisation for 2020: The number of students at each age level dictates the structure of the syndicates and classes. The 2020 structure is similar to this year:

Junior Syndicate: (Year 1 and 2)

Room 3 - Yr 1 - Jenny Canty (Team Leader)
Room 4 - Yr 1 - Alana Fromont
Room 8 - Yr 1&2 - Tina Nimmo
Room 1 - Yr 2 - Mel Aubrey-Bell
Room 2 - Yr 2 - Mary Mulligan

Middle Syndicate: (Year 3 and 4)

Room 5&6 - Nadine Nicholas (Team Leader)
Rachel Barclay
Room 9 - Jeni Walsh
Room 10 - Kendra Bradley

Senior Syndicate: (Year 5 and 6)

Room 11 - Olivia Paxton
Room 12 - Talei Wilson
Room 13 - Molly North
Room 14 - Cayne Wright
Claire Turton (Team Leader) Claire's role will be shared between teaching and DP roles.
Diana Hesketh will be sharing her time between Reading Recovery and DP roles.
Syndicates will work together to create innovative learning environments. The foundation skills in reading, written language and mathematics will be a core part of the programmes.
Room 5 & 6 will operate as a collaborative space, and will interact with the other middle syndicate classes.
The senior syndicate will operate in a collaborative way with all 4 classes interacting together as they have done for the last 3 years.

We welcome Jeni Walsh back from leave and Olivia Paxton (nee Lansdowne) back to the staff after a year's break.

Support staff will be confirmed in the new year. We farewell James Love, who is off to Chisnallwood Intermediate in Christchurch, Jennie Hawkes who is taking a year's leave and Suzie Gray whose fixed term position comes to an end. We wish James and the Love whanau all the best in the South Island. James has brought an enormous amount of skill and energy to the school and we will certainly miss his sports' coaching and his weird and wonderful general knowledge and sense of humour. Suzie has brought her enthusiasm, energy and science to us and we have been richer because of it. We wish Suzie well for the future and thank her for her positive contributions to Maunu School. Teacher Aides are often employed on fixed term contracts to support children across the school. These positions change annually. Unfortunately, we have to farewell Vickie Whitehead at the end of this year. Vickie has worked as a teacher aide in different classrooms over the years. We thank Vickie for her compassion, flexibility and team spirit. We wish her well with whatever the future brings.

**Nga mihi
Paul Shepherd
Principal**

CERTIFICATE WINNERS – 22 NOVEMBER

Rm 1	Ellie Kim Ruby Marris	Neeva Pala Mia Harrison
Rm 2	Emily Gilmour Tyler Howard	Sybelle Garton Jack Fitzhenry
Rm 3	Jonathan He Hannah Walden	Destiny Couchman Harley Byers
Rm 4	Jayden Lewer	Alijah Bond
Rm 5/6	Preston Johnson Sovina Kumar-Joon Kaitlyn Vincent Bentley Waetford-Parry	William Whitehorn Elias Noone Blake Dickens Olivia He
Rm 7	Ahipene Langman	Ava Shelley
Rm 8	Cooper Harrison Lauren Soulsby	Mia Whitehorn Asya Doganay
Rm 9	Elise Waenink Xander Mostert	Logan Thorburn Caitlyn Turton
Rm 10	Abigail Gillingham Summer Roberts	Lawrence Su Nico Findlay
Rm 11	Connor Thomas Maureen Kumar	Reanna Stratton Cameron Rountree
Rm 12	Ruby Davies Jaimee McCallum-Schoenmaekers Demi Skudder	Corban Bradshaw



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- Rm 13** Finley Noone Sasha Waller
Ricardo Reid-Maihi Emma Broughton
- Rm 14** Matt Love Alex Bootten
Abigail Taitoko Gordon He

We are needing a new person to organise the termly helpers roster for 2020. If you think you can do this small job please let us know in the school office.

FULL SCHOOL ASSEMBLY

- We have whole school assembly this Friday starting at 2.15pm. **ALL Welcome.**

POOL KEYS AVAILABLE NOW

- Keys \$120 each - numbers are limited and are available for purchase from the school office now. The school pool will be open for swimming for key holders from Monday 10 December.
- If you purchase a key, then you agree to abide by the rules and accept responsibility for actions and use. Keys are only available to families who are fully paid up.

ICAS English and Maths Results

- The following students participated in the Australasian ICAS Exams and were placed as follows.

ICAS English

Merit Jayden Main

Credit- Chase Adams, Ryan Waenink, Erika Gallichan, Lara Hammer, Ethan Matos Santos Jepsen

ICAS MATHS

Merit Emma Bradley, Maureen Kumar, Riley Simpkin

Credit- Chase Adams, Matthew Love, Liam Scott, Ryan Waenink, Stephanie Xu

LAST SAUSAGE SIZZLE

- The last sausage sizzle will be Friday Dec 13.**
- We would like to thank the wonderful PTA, who prepares the orders each week and Mr. Lamb, who cooks the sausages each week.
- Thank you also to Karla Capper who has organised the roster of parents to assist each Friday with the assembling and distribution of the orders.
- Thank you to PaknSave Whangarei who kindly donate the sausages, bread & juice allowing this to be 100% profit each week. This year **\$9229** was raised.



ZONE ATHLETICS RESULTS

- Congratulations to all our students who competed in the Zone Athletics held here at Maunu School. Below are the results of our students who placed in the top 3.
- These students represented the Zone at the WPSSA champs.

GIRLS

600m

BOYS

Year 4

2rd

3rd Alex Russell

Tyler Levi

Ronel Shaji

Year 5

1st

3rd

Tomi Williamson

Jack Rountree

Year 6

1st

2nd Jorja Pickering

3rd Mia Routley

Ethan Halaapiapi

Riley Simpkin

60m

Year 4

1st

3rd

Marco Janisch-Pavlovich

Nico Findlay

80m

Year 4

2nd

3rd Isabella Wacrow

Marco Janisch-Pavlovich

Oscar Reid

Year 5

1st Abigail Taitoko

3rd

Zane Lamb

Jack Rountree

Year 6

1st

2nd Reanna Stratton

Keryn Hurinui

Aden Penney

100m

Year 5

1st Abigail Taitoko

Zane Lamb

Year 6

2nd Reanna Stratton

Aden Penney

3rd Maureen Kumar Keryn Hurinui

High Jump

Year 4

1st Iris Green Marco Janisch-Pavlovich
2nd Till Feary
3rd= Oscar Reid

Year 5

1st Abigail Taitoko Finley Noone
2nd Shelby Hoyle
3rd Dovey Mabey

Year 6

1st Cate Wansbone Riley Simpson
2nd Aden Penney
3rd= Maureen Kumar
Tamara Janisch-Pavlovich

Long Jump

Year 4

1st Nico Findlay
2nd Marco Janisch-Pavlovich
3rd Lexi Hati

Year 5

1st Abigail Taitoko Zane Lamb
Corbin Pearson
3rd Shelby Hoyle

Year 6

1st Reanna Stratton Khochasa Vath
2nd Aden Penney
3rd Milla Jenkins Riley Simpkin

Shot Put

Year 4

1st Malachy Smedley
3rd Emmerson Love

Year 5

1st Morgan Turton Akiwa Kawana
2nd Mikaera Matthews-Borell

Year 6

1st Keryn Hurinui
3rd Maureen Kumar Khochasa Vath

Discus

Year 4

1st Kaitlyn Vincent Isaiah Chapman
2nd Malachy Smedley
3rd Lexi Hati

Year 5

1st Morgan Turton
2nd Akiwa Kawana
3rd Dovey Mabey

Year 6

1st Khochasa Vath
2nd Reanna Stratton Keryn Hurinui

WPSA ATHLETICS CHAMPIONSHIP RESULTS

The following children placed in the top 3 at the WPSA Athletics yesterday. Well done to all who participated and our place getters.

60m	Year 4	3 rd Marco Janisch-Pavlovich
Long Jump	Year 5	1 st Abi Taitoko
	Year 6	3 rd Reanna Stratton
High Jump	Year 4	3 rd Iris Green
	Year 5	3 rd Abi Taitoko = 3 rd Shelby Hoyle
	Year 6	1 st Cate Wansbone
Discus	Year 4	1 st Malachy Smedley 3 rd Isaiah Chapman
Relays	Year 4	2 nd Maunu/Horahora
	Year 6	2 nd Maunu/Horahora

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TERM 4 DATES

- **6 Dec** Middle Team Fun Day
- **10 Dec** Choir on Tour *with Glenbervie Sch*
- **13 Dec** Junior Team Fun Day
- **16 Dec** -Final Assembly - **11am**
-Meet the Teacher afternoon
-Reports go home
- **17 Dec** Senior Team Fun Day
- **18 Dec** **Last day of Term 4 – 12.30pm finish**
- **3 Feb** **First day of Term 1 2020 – Monday**



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SUMMER READING CHALLENGE

- Mrs Adam would like to encourage students to read for at least 10 minutes every day during the summer break to avoid the 'Summer Slide' where students can fall behind in their reading.
- On Monday 16 and Tuesday 17 Dec those students who have returned ALL their library books will have the opportunity to choose up to 10 books from the school library to read over summer.
- Permission slips will be available Wed 11th from the library or school office. Children will need parents to complete, sign and return to enable participation in the school summer reading programme.



READING BOOK AMNESTY



- We need all school readers



returned to school so we can do stocktake.

Many readers are missing. Please hunt for any that have accumulated at home and return them to school. Where could they be? In the car? Under the bed? In the wardrobe? In school bags? Down the back of the couch?

- **ALL books to be returned to your child's teacher by Friday 13 December – no questions asked.**

ALL SCHOOL LIBRARY BOOKS

- Could **ALL library books** be returned to the school ASAP so stock take can be completed. We never mind how long you have had the books we are always grateful to receive them back as they cost a lot to replace.


LOST PROPERTY BIN IS FULL!!!

- Please take the time to look through the bin sitting in the walkway by Room 10, it is full of unclaimed clothing, shoes, lunch boxes etc.

Anything unnamed will be gone after Friday and after the last day of school



STATIONERY / DONATIONS FOR 2020

- To order your stationery for next year, visit  **OfficeMax**[®] the website where you link straight through to your child's pre-populated class stationery list and add, or remove items you may already have.
- Orders will be couriered to your home or work.
- **Full instructions and your child's class for 2020 will be sent home with the reports.**
- Please order your stationery by 24 January to ensure delivery, prior to the start of school on 3/2/20 allowing for Anniversary day.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Baby Sitter available

Hi, my name is Zoe King, I'm 15 and a former Maunu Primary student (currently at Pompallier) I'm looking for holiday babysitting jobs as I'm trying hard to save to go to America for a student exchange in the near future. I'm responsible and good with children. Please ph 021 0451164
Thankyou

Merry Christmas everyone and safe and happy holidays. From Carolyn and Michelle in the school office

