



Greetings to you all; tena koutou katoa

This is the last newsletter of term 3. School closes for the October term break at 2.55pm on Friday 30th and reopens at 8.55am Monday 17th October for term 4.

Thank you to all those who were able to make it to the school's "Art from the heART / Toi mo te Manawa" exhibition. This was an amazing celebration of the Visual Arts programme here at Maunu School. The children had worked hard on their masterpieces, learning about techniques, artists and presentation of work. This all culminated in the hall being a gallery of excellence!! Thank You to Alana Fromont (teacher in charge), Shona Anderson (artist extraordinaire), Adrian Lamb (jack of all trades) and all the staff who contributed to making the hall a special place for the week. We also thank Mayor Sheryl Mai who came along and spent time with the children - she certainly is a Mayor with her feet on the ground and her heart in the community. We wish her well in her up-coming retirement as she heads off around NZ in her campervan.

At the same time, we took the opportunity to unveil the pare kura (carving) and name for the hall. This has been in the process for 3 years - since the last Art Exhibition. Contemporary Maori artist, Leonard Foley Murupaenga, was commissioned to carve the pare (lintel), which is now placed in the foyer above the entrance to the main hall. The name of the hall was agreed to by the School Board - Ko Papatuanuku te Wharehui - the gathering place of mother nature (Papatuanuku). There are tukutuku panels alongside the carving, made by Whaea Claudine and Elleisha-Jade Edwards. The carving is linked to the ground by a rakau (tree) with piwakawaka (fantail) painted by Shona Anderson. A full description is on the website.

Country Fair: Yesterday there was a comprehensive newsletter and information sheet sent out about the 2023 Country Fair - Saturday Nov 5th. Cara Dawson and Nigel Gilmour are leading an amazing team of coordinators and volunteers to ensure this is a successful and fun-filled day. But we need your help!! Please read the Country Fair newsletter and get in touch with Cara or the school office if you can help out. This is the major fundraiser for the school,

so please support it – “many hands make light work”.

Generators: To enable all the rides, bouncy castles and food trucks to operate efficiently, we are looking for generators. If you have one that you are able to donate for the day, please get in touch with me (Paul), Gemma Mitchell or the school office.

2023: We have just been informed by the MoE of our staffing allocation and operation grant for 2023. We will now begin the process of looking at class compositions, staffing and setting a 2023 budget.

Classes: We are starting to work on class placements for next year. If your child has a particular style of learning please talk to their current teacher asap – we do not take requests for specific teachers. All of our staff are quality educators.

Staffing: As with each year, there are often changes with people leaving the school for various reasons. We are currently advertising for staff to replace those leaving. This does impact on what teachers we have, the skill sets available and the combination of teachers in a syndicate. At the end of 2022, we have a few staff members leaving. Mrs Jeni Walsh is retiring after a wonderful career in education with over 10 years here at Maunu School. Mrs Mel Aubrey-Bell is resigning after 15 years here at Maunu and Mrs Mary Mulligan is retiring after 4 years here and many years in schools around Whangarei. They all will be sadly missed, but we know that their expertise, skill and passion have benefited Maunu School as a whole and many students over the years.

Mrs Olivia Paxton will be on Maternity leave, with their baby due 23rd Dec. It is anticipated that Olivia will return for term 3.

Principal: You will have received a letter from Alison Manson, School Board presiding member, announcing Claire Turton as the next principal of Maunu School. I congratulate Claire on this appointment and wish her well for 2023.

Be Kind, Be Safe, Be Caring,
Nga mihi,
Paul Shepherd, Principal



DATES TO REMEMBER

- 30 September End of Term 3
- 17 October Start of Term 4
- 24 October Labour Day - **School Closed**
- 5 November Country Fair
- 9 November Athletics Day
- 15-18 November Senior Camp
- 14 December Final Assembly
- 15 December End of Term 4 - **12.50pm**
- 1 February Start of Term 1 2023
- 6 February Waitangi Day - **School Closed**

FULL SCHOOL ASSEMBLY

There will be a whole school assembly tomorrow **30th September at 2pm** – all welcome.

WELCOME TO OUR NEW CHILDREN

A big Maunu School welcome to Cameron Turton, Manaia-Jane Marsh, Avannah McCready and Bailey McCready. We look forward to sharing lots of fun and learning with you all!



MAUNU SKOOL LOOP APP

Please download our free school app to get access to our school events, notifications and to easily contact the school or classroom teachers.



SPELLATHON FORMS AND SPONSORSHIP MONEY

There are still a few children yet to return their yellow sponsorship forms. We ask that all forms are returned whether you received sponsors or not. If you have misplaced or lost your form please let the office know - thank you.

MAUNU'S GOT TALENT

Maunu's Got Talent continues to be one of the highlights of the year for many students. We are proud that so many talented tamariki audition and take themselves out of their comfort zone.

Congratulations to our Maunu's Got Talent

Finalists: Maia Thorburn, Georgia Johnson, Grace Stewart, Bella-Mae Mathews-Borell, Joseph Bai, McKenzie Harrison & Jessie Bassett-Allen.

These students performed in front of the whole school at the **Maunu's Got Talent Final** on Tuesday 27th September.

We would also like to thank Sam Ganley for sharing his wonderful sense of humour with his act in front of the school on Tuesday, along with Mia Fromont and Indie Edwards who supported Grace Stewart as backing dancers.

Our judges Lillian Leathem, Mrs Fannin & Mr Shepherd had an incredibly difficult decision to make with such a range of talent displayed.

Maunu's Got Talent Results

- 1st place: Grace Stewart
- 2nd place: McKenzie Harrison & Jessie Bassett-Allen
- 3rd place: Georgia Johnson

The winners will perform as part of the Country Fair Festival on Saturday 5th November.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank Lillian Leathem and PaknSave Whangarei for their support and sponsorship of Maunu's Got Talent.





MAUNU SCHOOL

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COUNTRY FAIR

Only 5 weeks to go! A Country Fair newsletter went out to the children yesterday so please ensure they have brought this home. This has lots of information you need to know about the upcoming day, including all of our generous sponsors. A green helpers form has also been sent home with the children. If you are available to help out in any way please fill this in and return to the office – thanks for your support.

Whangarei BMX Open Day

Sunday 2nd October 10am-2pm at the BMX Track on Dave Culham Drive.

Fun for the whole family, all ages are welcome – children under 16 need to be accompanied by an adult. All riders who register on the day go in the draw to win a \$100 Torpedo Voucher. For enquiries email: azsuvalko@gmail.com



COMMUNITY NEWS



Pink Loop Walk

Join us on SUNDAY 16 OCTOBER at 11am for a walk around the

Hatea Loop in honor of Breast Cancer Awareness Month. Wear your brightest pink outfit and you might even win a prize! Spot prizes are also up for grabs for lucky ticket holders.

Tickets are available to purchase on the day (cash only please) from the Canopy Bridge or can be pre-purchased online by emailing finance@breastcancernorthland.co.nz. Tickets are \$5.00 each or \$20.00 for a family

Maunu Educare

School Holiday Programme 3rd – 14th October 2022

- Hours 8.00am to 5.30pm
- 5-13 year old children
- Maximum 50 Children • WINZ subsidies available
- 10% Discount available for 2+ Children
- Exciting daily activities
- 2 outside visits
- Based in the Maunu School Hall

Staying In: \$40.00 per day (\$4.21 per hour)

Outings: \$43.00 per day (\$4.53 per hour)

For further information please email: info@schoolholidayprogrammes.co.nz or ring Christin on 0274821331

We aim to provide a safe and stimulating programme where the children can relax, make new friends and above all have fun.

Check out our

website: www.schoolholidayprogrammes.co.nz





TABLE TENNIS NORTHLAND



School Holiday Program

PROGRAM INCLUDES

- BASIC FITNESS
- BASICS OF TABLE TENNIS
- FOOTWORK
- HAND AND EYE CO-ORDINATION
- FUN ACTIVITIES

- 5th to 7th October
- 10th to 14th October
- Timings- 8:00 AM to 12:00 noon
- Age- 6 to 16 years

Cost- \$10 per session

Please Register online- www.sporty.co.nz/northlandtt
Last Date Of Registration- 3rd October, 2022



Contact: Naina Suri, Sport Development Officer
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📍 97 Western Hills Drive, Kensington, Whangarei
Adjacent to Sport Northland Building

SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM FUTSAL FOCUSED - BUT SO MUCH MORE!

For kids aged 6 - 16yrs

Monday 3rd - Friday 7th October
8:30 - 4:00pm

For details and registration visit our website
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