



Tēnā koutou whānau,

### **Cross Country Highlights and Achievements!**

We are excited to share the highlights of this week's annual cross country event with you. It has been an incredible week filled with determination, enthusiasm, and a lot of smiles!

### **Junior Run and Student Council Support**

On Tuesday, our Junior run took place, and we were thrilled to see our young students participating with boundless enthusiasm. The support from the student council was heart-warming, as they demonstrated remarkable leadership skills. It was inspiring to witness them guiding and encouraging our Juniors around the course. We are immensely proud of all the tamariki for their dedication to surpassing their personal goals and for showcasing the progress they've made during their weeks of training.

### **Middle and Senior Success at Barge Park**

Yesterday, the spotlight shifted to our Middle and Senior students, who had their chance to shine at Barge Park. We extend our heartfelt gratitude to Fulton Hogan for ensuring a safe road crossing, to Miranda from Activ8 for warming up our students before their races, and to our dedicated whanau volunteers who took on the important role of marshalling along the course. Of course, let's not forget the incredible efforts of our staff members, who transformed into the most enthusiastic cheering squad out on the course.

### **Achievements Beyond the Mud**

While it's true that our children might have returned home a little muddier than usual, the invaluable experiences they gained from this House Competition far outweigh any muddy feet. This event serves as a platform where they receive peer support, have a blast, and take pride in achieving their personal goals.

We are immensely proud of every participant, and we want to thank you, our parents, for your unwavering support. Your encouragement from the side lines is a significant motivator for our students. Together, we create an environment where they can thrive and discover their potential.

### **Teacher Only Day**

The Ministry of Education has asked schools to plan four teacher-only days, two to be taken in 2023 and two to be taken in 2024. These teacher-only days provide schools dedicated time to understand, prepare and engage with changes across the New Zealand Curriculum refresh, the redesign of Te Marautanga o Aotearoa. These days provide opportunities for teachers to share ideas and expertise, and to grow confidence in implementing

the upcoming curriculum and assessment changes. The Board of Trustees have approved our last Teacher-Only Day in 2023 for Monday 9th October. Therefore, please note that Term 4 will begin on Tuesday 10th October.

### **Preparing for 2024**

As we continue to journey through the current academic year, we're already looking ahead to ensure a seamless transition for all our students in the upcoming year. Term 3 is a critical time for us as we focus on planning, resourcing, and staffing to facilitate the best possible transition experience for your children.

### **Preschoolers Starting School**

If you have a preschooler who is due to begin their educational journey with us next year, we kindly request that you inform us at your earliest convenience. Your early communication helps us make the necessary arrangements to ensure a smooth and successful transition from preschool to school. We believe that a strong foundation is essential for their growth and development, and we are committed to making their entry into our school community as positive as possible.

### **Year 6 Enrolments: A Collaborative Approach to Transition**

For parents of Year 6 students, we encourage you to initiate the enrolment process for the upcoming academic year as soon as possible. This proactive step on your part allows us to collaborate effectively with other schools in the area to ensure a well-coordinated transition process. Our aim is to make the move from primary school to the next educational level as seamless as possible for your child. Your timely enrolment also aids us in proper resourcing and staffing allocation for their continued growth.

### **Open Lines of Communication**

As always, we value open lines of communication between our school and parents. If you have any questions or concerns about the transition process, our staff is here to assist you. We understand that transitions can bring about both excitement and apprehension, and we are dedicated to supporting both you and your children throughout this journey. Thank you for entrusting us with your child's education. We look forward to a productive Term 3 and a successful transition planning phase for the next academic year.

Nga mihi,  
Claire Turton, Principal



## MAUNU SCHOOL

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### FULL SCHOOL ASSEMBLY

We have a whole school assembly this Friday the 25<sup>th</sup> of August at 2.00 pm – **All are Welcome.**

### TERM 3 DATES

- 30 August WPSSA – Cross Country
- 1 Sept Daffodil Day - Wear Yellow!
- 11-15 Sept Māori Language Week / STEM Exhibition
- 12 Sept NANO GIRL – Assembly
- 13 Sept Kapa Haka Rōpū Showcase
- 14 Sept STEM Sharing with Whānau
- 16 Sept Maunu Market
- 20 Sept Maths House Challenge
- 22 Sept **Last Day of Term 3**
- 10 Oct First Day of Term 4 - **(Tues)**

### CYBER SAFETY PARENT EVENING

Tai Tokerau South RTL Cluster 2 is bringing Rob Cope - Author, Parent & Filmmaker of 2020 documentary: **'Our Kids Online'**- back to Whangārei to present to Parents & Teachers across our cluster on Cyber Safety.

This event is free and open to the parents and teachers in our school community. In order to keep track of numbers they are asking that attendees register for this event through [Eventbrite](#) - Rob Cope Parents and Teachers Cyber Safety Presentation. If attendees would like to register without using Eventbrite they can email the following address- [cyber-safety-working-group@rtlb.school.nz](mailto:cyber-safety-working-group@rtlb.school.nz).

**Where:** Whangārei Boys' High School Auditorium, Whangārei Boys High School, 245 Western Hills Drive.

**When:** Monday 9th October, 4.00 pm- 6.00 pm.

**Cost:** FREE

To find out more about Rob's work visit [www.ourkidsonline.info](http://www.ourkidsonline.info)

Here is a [promotional video](#) for you to watch 'Our Kids Online Parent Evening.' Please note that due to the nature of the content covered this presentation is not for children/teenagers to attend.

### BIRTHDAYS & SHARED FOOD

We are always happy to celebrate a child's birthday here at school by singing the Happy Birthday song to them. However, we respectfully ask that you **do not send along cakes, drinks and/or little birthday packs.**

That celebration is for you to arrange at home rather than in the formal surroundings of the school. We thank you for your understanding.



### DAFFODIL DAY - WEAR YELLOW

This year Maunu School is proud to be supporting the Cancer Society Daffodil Day on Friday 1st September.

On this day we encourage our students to wear yellow and bring a gold coin donation for a daffodil. The Cancer Society relies on the support from schools like ours to continue to provide free transport & accommodation when treatment is far from home, cancer nurses, and counselling for patients and their whānau.



**DAFFODIL DAY**

### ABSENT CHILDREN

If your child is going to be away or late, please either ring the **school office on 4388060** and leave a message, or use the **Maunu school app (skoolloop)** to notify us of an absence. This is a safety issue, helping us to ensure all our children are safe and are where they should be. If leaving a message, please record your child's full name, room number and reason they will be absent.

### FRIENDS AND WHANAU OF MAUNU NEWS

Last Friday the Friends and Whanau of Maunu (PTA) held the school's Annual Disco. WOW! What a blast! All the Tamariki came and partied like there was no tomorrow. Their outfits were amazing, so creative and glowy! Made for a perfect NEON themed party.

#### A few THANK YOU's.

- To the kids for coming out and having a fun time at your school Disco. Hope you all enjoyed it, the music, the vibe, the glow bling and the treats.
- To all the Parent Volunteers that help with the selling of the food and glow bling.
- To John from More FM for being our resident DJ. He never fails to miss a disco and has been a great support to the school ever since his son attended Maunu School. Thank you for your continued support.
- To Bell Tech for providing us with the UV Lights.
- To Paul and Anita Sumich for having wonderful coffee available for the parents to have a cuppa while waiting.
- To the parents for allowing your kids out to have FUN!

**We can't wait for next year's disco.**



### VALUES CUP WINNERS 11<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST



Kauri - Zariah Lejos.  
Rata - Mollie Perry.

Kowhai - Carla Ruddell.  
Tawa - Tyrell Johnson.

**CERTIFICATE WINNERS 11<sup>TH</sup> & 18<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST**

<b>Rm 1</b>	Nixon Clements Anja Williams	Selah Charles Corrigan Archer Gillingham
<b>Rm 2</b>	Ricky Bonar Ruby Beilby	Esme Mabey Manaia-Jane Marsh
<b>Rm 3</b>	Kianu Kapa Felix Joseph	Lennox Bradford Nathania Nibin
<b>Rm 4</b>	Thumira Kuruppu Maia Rapana	Laken Hoskin Richard King
<b>Rm 5</b>	Nduka Hewitt-Nnani Andrea Saji	Lilly Torrington Avemariya Nobi
<b>Rm 6</b>	Ava Faye Ella Davies-Colley	Nillah Lloyd Kelsey Sumich
<b>Rm 7</b>	Thomas Hunter Emma Lombard	Beatrice Cashmore Abel Hori
<b>Rm 11</b>	Kyra Malcolm Kezia Thomas	Charlie Stephenson Scarlett White-Hughes
<b>Rm 12</b>	McKenzie Harrison Riley Sisam	Sam Smith Nico Winder
<b>Rm 14</b>	Dallas Erp Marley Allen-Anderson	Sarah Eshal Jayde Tamariki
<b>Rm 15</b>	Sophie Smith Stevie Parkes	Evie Pollard Dace Toeke-Connelly
<b>Rm 16</b>	Sienna Scott Sawyer Zandler Tamani	Grace Cumming Zayan Ifran
<b>Rm 17</b>	Mason Foster Arna Winder	Kingston Baigent Eddie Wong
<b>Rm 18</b>	Leah Evans Adaline Ryan	James Lancaster Kian Pala

**SELWYN PARK VISIT**

On Tuesday 15th August, the Junior Kapahaka Rōpū



went to the Selwyn Park Retirement Village to perform. We all had a fantastic time singing some waiata and even shared the NZSL version of Te Aroha with the audience. It was a fun learning experience for us all. **Thank you to all teachers involved and thank you again to all the parent helpers.**

**FLAX WEAVING WITH ROOM 18**



Our topic for this term is **Rongoa Maori**.

For STEM, the children in Rooms 5, 6, 17 and 18 have been learning about Harakeke and how Maori have used it in the past and present day for medicine, clothing, transport, food and entertainment purposes. The children now understand the protocols around sourcing, cutting and stripping Harakeke and have practiced the art of weaving to produce their own kete.

**AOTEAROA IN SPACE ROADSHOW**



On Monday, 14 August, a group of Year 5 and 6 students travelled down to Whangarei Library to attend Tūhura Tuarangi Aotearoa in Space Roadshow. The showcase explored Aotearoa New Zealand's connections to space—from early Polynesian navigators to the space technologies and research being developed in Aotearoa at the moment. There were hands-on interactives to learn about space and science: including a four-billion-year-old meteorite, building a satellite, launching a rocket, and seeing how to create (and explode) clean, green rocket fuel. The showcase is free to the public and runs from August 14 - 29.

**BOOK CHARACTER DRESS UP**



**YOUTH SUMMIT 2023 – YEAR 6**

On Friday, 11 August the Year 6 students attended the Northland Youth Summit at McKay Stadium. There were four guest speakers, all originally from Whangarei: Laura Andrews, Kaneisha McKenzie, Alex Gilbert, and Luke Bird, who all came from a range of different backgrounds and spoke to the students about the theme of “Dare to be Different”. Each of the local speakers shared stories of their lives and the challenges they had faced and how they had overcome them. It was an inspiring day for our tamariki who were well engaged with what was being said. Thank you, Mrs Watts & Mr Wright and your amazing team, for organising this opportunity.



**COUNTRY FAIR 2023**

The country fair plant stall could use any six-cell, or single cell (tomato type) seedling punnets that you may be able to spare; please drop them off at the school office and we'll get growing!



**NEW STUDENTS**

Welcome to all our new students that have joined Maunu School this term, Lara Silvestre, Tyrell Johnson, Te-Ao Rangi Johnson, Zandler Tamani, Heidi Harrison, Vera Van Niekerk, Jesse Barnard and Elizarah Cassidy Nelson.



**MAUNU SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY RESULTS**

This week we held our Junior Cross Country on the school fields and our Middle/ Senior Syndicate Cross Country Races at Barge Park. The weather was perfect and the course was muddy. There was a lot of keen competition with some very exciting finishes. All the children ran with such determination. The encouraging cheers and support from whanau and all the students were very much appreciated by the runners and spurred them on.

Congratulations to every child who ran our school cross-country. Below are the first 3 past the post in age order. The ages of the runners are taken at the age they were on 1<sup>st</sup> January 2023.



	<b>BOYS</b>	<b>4 Year Olds</b>	<b>GIRLS</b>
1 <sup>st</sup>	Jac Chapman Smith		Thea Davies-Colley
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Ceiba Koncsek		Lara Silvestre
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Ayden Alex		Serena Fitzhenry
		<b>5 Year Olds</b>	
1 <sup>st</sup>	Gunner Whittingham		Kalia Anderson
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Quinn Ramage		Mollie Perry
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Kauri Foy		Charlie Ryan
		<b>6 Year Olds</b>	
1 <sup>st</sup>	Jaxon Fedarb		Beatrice Cashmore
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Micheal McNairn		Zariah Lejos
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Raunak Singh		Olivia Bell
1 <sup>st</sup>	Scott Geraghty		Kennedy Churches
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Freddie Steel		Kierat Saur
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Riley Baker		Katia Stevenson
		<b>7 Year Olds</b>	
1 <sup>st</sup>	William Hardwick		Holly Harrison
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Cooper Fromont		Hazel Hati
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Reagan Shaji		Ally Johnson
		<b>8 Year Olds</b>	
1 <sup>st</sup>	Nixon Hood		Aaliyah Wilson
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Riley Sisam		Elsie Mercer
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Patrick Reid		Alijah Bond
		<b>9 Year Olds</b>	
1 <sup>st</sup>	Harley Taylor		Amaira Chaudry
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Dace Toeke		Scarlett WhiteHughes
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Leo Bell		Kyra Malcolm
		<b>10 Year Olds</b>	
1 <sup>st</sup>	Nico Winder		Renee Hardwick
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Charlie Mitchell		Fiona Johnson
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Andre Lai		Indie Edwards

Thank you to the parents who helped out on the day. Your help is very much appreciated, and assists the day to run smoothly.

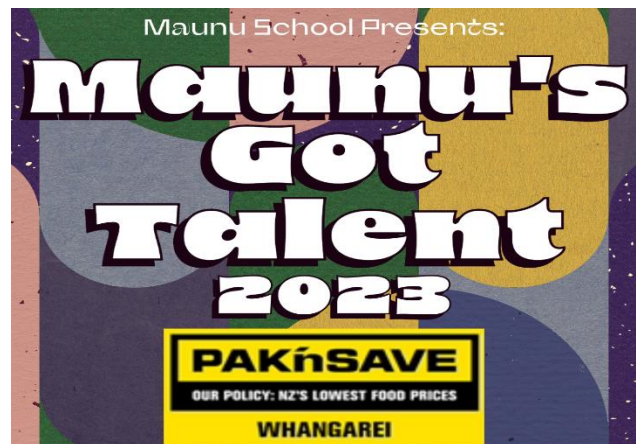
Also a huge THANK YOU to Fulton Hogan in supporting Maunu School by enabling us to cross State Highway 14 safely. We appreciate it very much.



**MAUNU'S GOT TALENT**

We will have a meeting in the Hall tomorrow (Friday) after the notices for all Maunu's Got Talent students. As it has been such a busy term, I have asked our judges if we can move auditions to the following week. **Monday 4<sup>th</sup> through to Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> September.** So you have another week to practise and prepare. Tomorrow you will receive your audition time and more information.

Next week the Hall will be open every morning tea time to help you have time in the hall on the stage. **Keep practising and ensuring you are audition ready.**



**COMMUNITY CONSULTATION - WINNER**

Thank you for all the survey responses in our Community Consultation. Congratulations **Anna Stephenson** who won the \$100 voucher for PaknSave.

## COMMUNITY NEWS

Paul Sumich &  
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present

**Perch coffee cart for camp.**

**SUPPORT THE 2024 SENIOR SYNDICATE TO CAMP BENTZON.**

Coffee or Hot Chocolate and other hot drinks in exchange for a donation.  
CASH or pay direct to the school account.

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Make your reference "camp donation"

*thank you!*



## Pizza Fundraiser! Senior Syndicate Camp, 2024

Dear Parents and Whanau,

In March 2024, our year 5 and 6 students will attend a camp at Camp Bentzon on Kawau Island. In an effort to help keep costs down for the event, we are holding another pizza fundraiser on **Tuesday, 29 August**.

You will be able to order a **whole mini pizza** (4 slices). **Each pizza** will cost \$7.

A gluten free (base) cheese pizza will be available as well. This will cost \$2 per slice.

All you need to do is go to [lunchonline](https://www.lunchonline.co.nz) <https://www.lunchonline.co.nz>

The flavours available are:

Mini Pepperoni	Mini Ham and Cheese	Mini Classic Cheese	Classic Cheese Gluten Free Base*
\$7.00	\$7.00	\$7.00	\$2.00 per slice

Order as many pizzas as you like and the pizzas will be personally delivered to your child/rens classrooms for lunch.

**Orders will close at 12:30pm Sunday, 27 August.**

We really appreciate your support of our students.

Ngā mihi

The Senior Syndicate



Te Manawa Tahī  
Community Timetable



## WHANGĀREI

All hubs are open from 9:00am until 12:00pm unless otherwise stated

Date	Hub Locations	Term 3 2023, Weeks 5 to 9
Wed, 16 August	Ministry of Education, 24 Kaka Street, Morningside	
Thurs, 17 August	Te Rito, Cnr William Jones Drive & Rata Place, Otangarei Ministry of Education, 24 Kaka Street, Morningside-NEW VENUE	
Wed, 23 August	Te Horo School, 3239 Pipiwai Road, Pipiwai	
Wed, 30 August	Bream Bay Community Trust (10:00am to 12:30pm), 9 Takutai Place, Ruakākā	
Thurs, 31 August	Children's Lighthouse Playgroup, 20 George Street, Hikurangi	
Thurs, 7 September	Ministry of Education, 24 Kaka Street, Morningside	
Wed, 13 September	Whānau Focus Centre, 61 Victoria Street, Dargaville	
Thurs, 14 September	Clark Road Chapel, 4-6 Clark Road, Kamo Ngunguru School (9:00am to 10:30am), Te Maika Road, Ngunguru	

Drop into a hub or make an appointment by phoning 0800 524 842 or emailing [TT.Support@education.govt.nz](mailto:TT.Support@education.govt.nz).

**FLIPOUT FUN-RAISING!**

Join Maunu school for a flippin awesome Halloween spooktacular to raise funds for year 5&6's to go to camp next year!

**TICKETS \$20 PER PERSON**

**Book your tickets**  
BOOK YOUR SPOT NOW AS SPACES ARE LIMITED  
EMAIL: [CAMPFUNDRAISER2024@GMAIL.COM](mailto:CAMPFUNDRAISER2024@GMAIL.COM)

Grip socks required – on sale at Flipout for \$3.50 if you don't have your own

**28th October 2023**  
**6 - 7.30PM**

**TERM 3  
HOLIDAY  
PROGRAMME**



At our instructor-led holiday programme, children are kept busy in an interactive learning environment. Activities and games are designed to teach fundamental skills of sports, such as tennis, hockey, football, basketball—and just about any other sport you can imagine!

A special trip to **Flip Out** is included at the end of each day.

LOCATION		PRICE			
Northland Badminton Centre (Porowini Ave)		1 day	2 days	3 days	
<b>DATES</b>		1 Child	\$47	\$84	\$116
3-5 October 2023	Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday	2 Children	\$84	\$148	\$212
<b>TIME</b>		3+ Children	\$32/child, per day		
9:00am—2:30pm	<b>AGE GROUP</b>	Additional days	\$2/child, per day		
	4-9	A Playball certificate will be given to children enrolled for 3 days.			

**WHAT TO BRING**  
Morning tea, lunch and drink bottle

**ENROL AT [PLAYBALLKIDS.COM/FRANCHISE/NORTHLAND](http://PLAYBALLKIDS.COM/FRANCHISE/NORTHLAND)**

**WHAT IS PLAYBALL?**  
Playball is an international multi-sport and movement programme, teaching skills from a variety of sports in a fun, positive environment from professional coaches.

As well as our holiday programme, we also offer weekly classes during term time for 2-9 year olds.  
For more information, visit [playballkids.com](http://playballkids.com)  
Email: [dean@playball.co.nz](mailto:dean@playball.co.nz)

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**MAUNU'S NEON DISCO 23"**



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