NEWSLETTER MAUNU SCHOOL



THURSDAY 7 MARCH 2024

FROM THE PRINCIPAL



Over the past two weeks, it has been heartening to witness the enthusiasm and dedication of our tamariki as they participated in various swimming events and demonstrations. Whether it was at the syndicate demonstrations or swimming sports, each child's effort and commitment to representing their houses have been truly commendable.

Living in Northland, where we are surrounded by the ocean, instilling water safety practices in our children is paramount. We are proud to prioritise this aspect of education through initiatives such as the **Swim For Life**

Programme, facilitated by Sport Northland. This comprehensive program, which includes both land and water sessions, equips our students with essential water safety skills. Additionally, we seize every opportunity to engage our students in the Beach Ed Safety Programme, further enhancing their understanding of ocean safety.

We are fortunate to have access to a wonderful pool that not only serves as a venue for these activities but also fosters confidence and skill development among our students. I would like to extend my gratitude to Adrian Lamb for his dedicated efforts in maintaining our pool throughout the swimming season.

At Maunu School we are committed to instilling our Five Feather Values through our PB4L Positive Behaviour for Learning program. It is essential that we uphold these values not only within the classroom but also during recreational activities.

We firmly believe that play fighting is an oxymoron; it contradicts the very essence of play, which should be inclusive, enjoyable, and respectful. Such behaviour not only compromises the safety of our students but also goes against the principles of mutual respect and cooperation that we strive to cultivate in our school community.

I kindly urge all parents and guardians to reinforce these important messages with your children at home. Encourage them to embody our Five Feather Values not just within the school premises but also in their interactions outside of school.

DATES TO REMEMBER TERM 1

8 Mar – Full School Assembly – 2pm
12-15 - Mar Senior Camp - Camp
Bentzon
29 Mar - Good Friday

Apr - Easter Monday
 Apr - Easter Tuesday – School Closed
 3-12 Apr - Life Education Caravan
 Onsite
 12 Apr - Last Day of Term 1

Next Tuesday, our Year 5 & 6 students will embark on an unforgettable adventure at Camp Bentzon for four days. This Kawau Island experience promises to be filled with challenges and excitement, providing invaluable learning opportunities for our children. I want to express my sincere appreciation to the hardworking whānau who generously supported fundraising efforts to alleviate the financial burden for each student. Additionally, I commend the Year 5 & 6 team for their meticulous planning and preparation, ensuring that our students derive maximum benefit from this experience.

As we eagerly anticipate the upcoming adventure, I look forward to accompanying our tamariki and witnessing their personal growth and development throughout the week.

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Warm regards, Claire Turton, Principal

AROUND THE SCHOOL

CERTIFICATE WINNERS - 16TH & 23RD FEBRUARY

Room 3	Elea Hunt, Thea Davies-Colley, Ajooni Dhami, Sam Prasanth			
Room 4	Kari Powell, Lachlan Bonar, Natalia Zuang, Hunar Saini			
Room 5	Japji Minhas, Gunner Whittingham, Jerrick Matthew Varghese			
Room 6	Michael McNairn, Amelia McCarrison, Kaihi Poa, Zariah Lejos			
Room 9	Nell Bowles, Maddie Burke, Ethan Dutton-Berry, James Lancaster			
Room 10	Anamika Sreejith, Saathvik Sreejith, Jake Ragnat, Ava Faye			
Room 11	Jack Fitzhenry, Scarlett White Hughes, Jessica Robin, Leonidas Edwards			
Room 12	Elsie Mercer, Kauri Pou, Kian Hunt, Leo Bell			
Room 14	Jessie Owles, Joseph Bai, Sienna Scott-Sawyer, Marlu Labuschagne			
Room 15	Room 15Evie Pollard, Abdullah Chaudhry, Anna Binoj, Tomas Ulloa Salinas			
Room 17	n 17 Blake Ruxton, Eva Cartwright, Kaio Koncsek, Jac Chapman Smith			
Room 18	Harriet Groome, Gurshaan Singh, Myah Burke, Rhodes Alexander			

HOUSE CUP WINNERS

KAURI – Gabrielle Silvestre / **TAWA** – Mason Dean Foster **RATA** – Amelia Ulloa Salinas / **KOWHAI** – Amelia Harkins

SWIMMING SPORTS – SENIOR RESULTS 2024

This year we held our annual senior swimming sports at Pompallier, although the weather was a little cooler it was a fun filled day.

Thank you to the parents who spent the day helping with many various jobs to help make this event a success and thank you to Pompallier College for the use of their facilities.

This year our swimming sports included all classes in Years 4 - 6 competing in 25m and 50m events, then we finished the day with our non-competitive fun races that were enjoyed by all. The popular house relay was taken out by Kauri this year. Congratulations to all our place getters, our house relay teams and to everyone who swam on the day.

RESULTS - OVERALL PLACING

	FREESTYLE 25M	BREASTROKE 25M	BACKSTROKE 25M
<u>Y6</u> <u>Girls</u>	<u>1st:</u> McKenzie Harrison 17.92 <u>2nd:</u> Sienna Scott-Sawyer 20.18 <u>3rd:</u> Jessie Bassett-Allen 20.62	1st: Jessie Bassett-Allen 29.99 2nd: Grace Cumming 31.93 3rd: Scarlett White-Hughes 33.43	<u>1st:</u> Scarlett White-Hughes 14.62 <u>2nd:</u> McKenzie Harrison 23.44 <u>3rd:</u> Jessie Bassett-Allen 26.36
<u>Y6</u> <u>Boys</u>	<u>1st:</u> Hayden Baker 20.62 <u>2nd:</u> Kian Hunt 20.75 <u>3rd:</u> Liam Lejos 22.95	<u>1st:</u> Leo Bell 32.25 <u>2nd:</u> Sam Smith 33.12 <u>3rd:</u> Kian Hunt 34.15	<u>1st:</u> Hayden Baker 26.37 <u>2nd:</u> Kian Hunt 26.62 <u>3rd:</u> Leo Bell 27.81
<u>Y5</u> <u>Girls</u>	1st: Tara White-Hughes 23.21 2nd: Hannah Walden 25.56 3rd: Mila Cartwright 25.68	<u>1st:</u> Grace Adamson 41.43 <u>2nd:</u> Hannah Walden 43.81 <u>3rd:</u> Mila Cartwright 44.43	1st: Tara White-Hughes 30.31 2nd: Leah Evans 33.62 3rd: Grace Adamson 35.37
<u>Y5</u> <u>Boys</u>	1st: William Hardwick 19.00 2nd: Eddie Wong 23.41 3rd: Patrick Reid 24.18	<u>1st:</u> Patrick Reid 30.25 <u>2nd:</u> William Hardwick 32.31 <u>3rd:</u> Eddie Wong 33.62	1st:_Patrick Reid 27.68 2nd: William Hardwick 28.12 3rd:_Caleb Heunis 29.75
<u>Y4</u> <u>Girls</u>	1st: Hazel Hati 21.83 2nd: Millie Shelford 26.75 3rd: Holly Harrison 27.31	<u>1st:</u> Hazel Hati 33.93 <u>2nd:</u> Holly Harrison 36.75 <u>3rd:</u> Millie Shelford 36.81	1st: Hazel Hati 27.31 2nd: Holly Harrison 28.18 3rd: Esther Manson 31.94
<u>Y4</u> <u>Boys</u>	1st: Ethan Dutton-Berry 24.87 2nd: James Lancaster 25.81 3rd: Riley Baker 25.93	1st: Ethan Dutton-Berry 36.81 2nd: Riley Baker 41.12 3rd:	1st: James Lancaster 32.81 2nd: Ethan Dutton-Berry 34.50 3rd: Riley Baker 35.87

	FREESTYLE 50M	BREASTROKE 50M	BACKSTROKE 50M
<u>Y6</u> <u>Girls</u>	1st: McKenzie Harrison 42.81 2nd: Jessie Bassett-Allen 49.81 3rd: Scarlett White-Hughes 54.18	<u>1st:</u> Jessie Bassett-Allen 1.11.31 <u>2nd:</u> McKenzie Harrison 1.14.75 <u>3rd:</u> Sophie Smith 1.17.75	1st: McKenzie Harrison 55.52 2nd: Jessie Bassett-Allen 1.02.06 3rd: Scarlett White-Hughes 1.05.68
<u>Y6</u> <u>Boys</u>	<u>1st:</u> Kian Hunt 50.18 <u>2nd:</u> Hayden Baker 52.81 <u>3rd: Kyrie Lewis 1.08.30</u>	<u>1st:</u> Leo Bell 1.12.62 <u>2nd:</u> Sam Smith 1.12.93 <u>3rd:</u> Kian Hunt 1.16.06	<u>1st:</u> Kian Hunt 56.50 <u>2nd:</u> Hayden Baker 58.25 <u>3rd:</u> Sam Smith 1.21.75
<u>Y5</u> <u>Girls</u>	<u>1st:</u> Tara White-Hughes 59.50 <u>2nd:</u> Hannah Walden 1.04.68 <u>3rd: </u> Mila Cartwright 1.05.18	<u>1st:</u> Hannah Walden 1.38.43 <u>2nd:</u> Grace Adamson 1.41.37 <u>3rd:</u> Mila Cartwright 1.56.37	<u>1st:</u> Tara White-Hughes 57.56 <u>2nd:</u> Grace Adamson 1.25.75 <u>3rd:</u> Mila Cartwright 1.28.68
<u>Y5</u> <u>Boys</u>	<u>1st:</u> William Hardwick 46.31 <u>2nd:</u> Patrick Reid 1.01.43 <u>3rd:</u> Nixon Hood 1.02.06	<u>1st:</u> Patrick Reid 1.15.68 <u>2nd:</u> Eddie Wong 1.18.49 <u>3rd:</u> William Hardwick 1.20.05	<u>1st:</u> William Hardwick 56.41 <u>2nd:</u> Patrick Reid 1.11.25 <u>3rd:</u> Caleb Heunis 1.20.43
<u>Y4</u> <u>Girls</u>	1st: Hazel Hati 55.13 2nd: Millie Shelford 1.05.13 3rd: Holly Harrison 1.09.28	<u>1st:</u> Millie Shelford 1.22.06 <u>2nd:</u> Holly Harrison 1.25.81 <u>3rd:</u> Emma Riley 1.31.50	<u>1st:</u> Holly Harrison 1.09.52 <u>2nd:</u> Emma Riley 1.27.93 <u>3rd:</u>
<u>Y4</u> <u>Boys</u>	<u>1st:</u> James Lancaster 1.08.18 <u>2nd:</u> <u>3rd:</u>	<u>1st:</u> Ethan Dutton-Berry 1.20.45 <u>2nd:</u> <u>3rd:</u>	<u>1st:</u> Ethan Dutton-Berry 1.19.62 <u>2nd:</u> <u>3rd:</u>



BRING YOUR OWN DEVICE (BYOD)

We welcome students in Years 1 - 3 to bring an iPad and students in Years 4 - 6 to bring a Chromebook as a tool to support their learning. We are happy to set up their device on the school BYOD wi-fi network and support students with recommended apps.

A BYOD Agreement needs to be in place before personal devices come into school, this needs to be discussed and signed by a parent and the student. These forms are available at the office or from Mrs Reyburn.



iPads or Chromebooks that are brought to school are kept secure when not in use and are only to be used as a learning tool. Personal devices are not shared with other students.

If you would like further support or have questions about BYOD here at Maunu School please direct them to <u>cassandra@maunu.school.nz</u>.

CAMP YEAR 5 & 6 - KAWAU ISLAND

Our Year 5 & 6 students are off to Kawau Island next Tuesday for camp. They are looking forward to four action packed days of activities over on the island. Thank you to our school community for supporting all the fundraising events, this has allowed us to keep camp fees as low as possible. We look forward to sharing lots of photos with our school community when we get back. If your child is attending camp, gear lists



are available at the office and remember they need to be at school for 6am on Tuesday morning.

All vehicles must park on the road on Tuesday morning when dropping off students for camp. The car park is reserved for buses and vehicles travelling to camp only. Thank you for helping us keep this area safe.

Outstanding statements were sent out this week, if you are still yet to pay, please see below or contact the office to discuss in confidence:

THE ENVIRONMENTAL GROUP



The Environmental Group is off to a great start, weeding and cleaning up some of the smaller gardens around the school. This week some of the younger members got started on the junior vegetable gardens, getting them prepared for our winter seedlings.

Additionally, later in the year around May/June we will be looking for an appropriate place to plant a lot of our native seedlings out into a habitat. If you have a farm or large property in which our environment group could plant these trees please let us know that you are interested. The chosen environment will require a small bit of preparation.

SCHOOL POLICIES & PROCEDURES

All our Policies & Procedures can be viewed at <u>https://www.schooldocs.co.nz/Home/SchoolLogin</u> Username: Maunu

Password: Maunu

SchoolDocs provides a comprehensive core set of policies and procedures applicable to all New Zealand primary, intermediate, secondary, and area/composite schools, that is tailored for each school.



Reviews

Each term, the whole school community is invited to review and comment on specific policies and procedures. This feedback is captured using the review button on topics that are under review. The review topics for each term are listed on the Review Instructions page.

TERM 1 – 2024 – SCHOOL DOCS REVIEWS
Te Tiriti o Waitangi (board)
Board Responsibility (board)
Parent Involvement
Communicating with Parents
Community Conduct Expectations
School Character / Special Character* (Board)
DOCUMENTATION & SELF-REVIEW POLICY (board) Review main board-level policy School Planning and Reporting
Reporting to parents on Student Progress and Achievement

FRIDAY SAUSAGE SIZZLE - THANK YOU PAK'NSAVE WHANGAREI

A big thank you to our sponsor of our weekly Sausage Sizzle, **PAK'nSAVE Whangarei** who kindly donate all the Sausages, Bread and Drinks for the kids <u>each week</u>! We know the kids look forward to it, not to mention the parents who get a day off making sammies!

Orders can be made via **www.lunchonline.co.nz**. Grab a Sausage & Bread for \$2, and add a juice for another \$1.50. All proceeds go the Friends and Whanau of Maunu (PTA).

REMINDERS

SCHOOL DONATIONS



Thank you to those who have paid their school donation. Voluntary donations are optional but help us to make our operational funding go further. We have an equity index rating (the old decile system) of 416 which unfortunately means our school is not eligible for the government's school donation scheme.

The Board of Trustee's endeavour to keep our school donations as low as possible. The donation for the year is **\$110 per child with a maximum of \$220 per family**.

TAX CREDIT – Don't forget you can receive a tax credit of 33.3 cents for every dollar you donate to the school. For more information head over to www.ird.govt.nz

If you are yet to pay your school donation this can be done via cash to the school office or an online deposit to our school bank account:

Bank Acc: ASB 12-3093-0151775-00 Ref: Student's Surname Details: the activity (i.e. Donation)

Family statements & receipts will be sent home shortly.

EVERY DAY COUNTS



If you want your child to be successful at school, then YES attendance does matter!

1 or 2 days a week doesn't seem much but...





If your child misses	That equals	Which is	And over 13 years of schooling that's
1 day per fortnight	20 days per year	4 weeks per year	Nearly 1.5 years
1 day per week	40 days per year	8 weeks per year	Over 2.5 years
2 days per week	80 days per year	16 weeks per year	Over 5 Years
3 days per week	120 days per year	24 weeks per year	Nearly 8 years

How about 10 minutes late a day? Surely that won't affect my child?

If your child misses	That equals	Which is	And over 13 years of schooling that's
10 mins per day	50 mins per week	Nearly 1.5 weeks per year	Nearly half a year
20 mins per day	1hr 40 mins per week	Over 2.5 weeks per year	Nearly one year
30 mins per day	Half a day per week	4 weeks per year	Nearly 1.5 years
1 hour per	One day per week	8 weeks per year	Over 2.5 years

Just a reminder that school starts at 8.55am. 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.

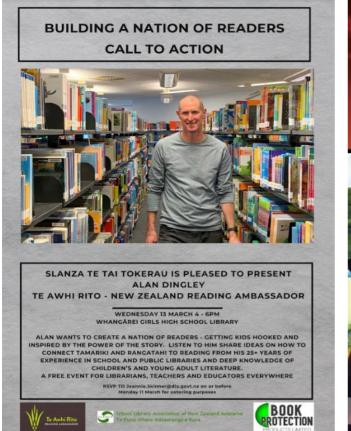
It is also important to create good habits, and being on time and prepared for "work" is one of these.

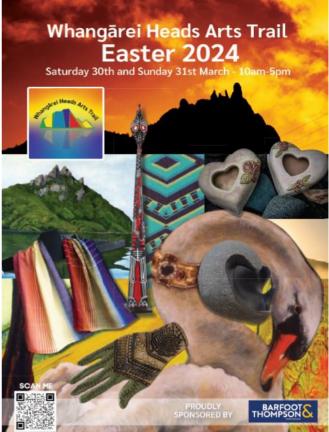
If your child is late to school, after the bell has rung, they must report to the office. Rolls are marked first thing in the morning and any child not in the classroom will be marked absent. The office will then call home to check on the child. If a child comes in late and does not check in with the 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.

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.

COMMUNITY NEWS







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** is included at the end of each day.

LOCATION		PRICE			
Northland Badminto	n Centre (Porowini Ave)		1 day	2 days	3 days
DATES		Child	\$49	\$88	\$122
22nd - 24th April Mo Wednesday	onday, Tuesday and	2 Children	\$88	\$156	\$224
TIME	AGE GROUP	3+ Children Additional days	\$35/child, per day \$35/child, per day		lay
9:00am-2:30pm	4-9	Additional days	\$35/CN	iid, per day	
WHAT TO BRING Morning tea, lunch a	nd drink bottle	K)	f) Iip!	Ī

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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. (Afterschool and Saturdays + more) For more information, visit playballkids.com Email: dea@playball.co.nz

