



THURSDAY 21 MARCH 2024

FROM THE PRINCIPAL



I hope this newsletter finds you well. It brings me great joy to reflect on the wonderful experiences our tamariki had last week during our time away at Camp Bentzon on Kawau Island. Witnessing our students embrace challenges, push their boundaries, and grow personally and socially was truly heart-warming. I felt incredibly privileged to share in these moments of growth and discovery with them.

I want to take this opportunity to extend my heartfelt gratitude to all the amazing whānau members who supported us during our time away. Your hard work and dedication ensured the success of our camp, and we are immensely grateful for your contributions. Additionally, I would like to commend our fantastic Senior Syndicate Teaching Team for their exceptional leadership and guidance throughout the camp. Your commitment to our students' growth and well-being is truly commendable.

I am proud to share that our students represented themselves, their whānau, and our school admirably during their time at Camp Bentzon. Their positive attitudes, teamwork, and resilience were evident in all their endeavours, and I couldn't be prouder of their achievements.

This week, we had the privilege of hosting our first visit from the Think & Be Me Team. This program is dedicated to supporting mental health and well-being, and I am excited to announce that we will be collaborating with Cat and her team throughout the year. They will provide our students with invaluable strategies to nurture their mental health and well-being, empowering them to thrive both inside and outside the classroom.

For those who are interested in learning more about the Think & Be Me program, I have enclosed a [video link](#) for your convenience. Please take the time to watch it and feel free to reach out to our teachers if you have any questions or would like to discuss the program further. Your involvement and support are integral to the success of initiatives like these, and we value your input immensely.

As always, thank you for your continued support and partnership in your child's education journey. Together, we can empower our students to reach their fullest potential and thrive in all aspects of their lives.

Warm regards,
Claire Turton, Principal

TERM 1 – DATES TO REMEMBER

- **29 Mar** - Good Friday – School Closed
- **1 Apr** - Easter Monday – School Closed
- **2 Apr** - Easter Tuesday – School Closed
- **3-12 Apr** - Life Education Caravan Onsite
- **12 Apr** - Last Day of Term 1
- **29 Apr** – First Day of Term 2

AROUND THE SCHOOL

WELCOME TO OUR NEW STUDENTS



Hello and welcome to our new students at Maunu School – **Aaliyah & Mikaela Matoe, Israel Sudfelt, Alex Lancaster, Ryan Justin & Audrey English Alexander**. We look forward to many happy Maunu days with you and your families.

CERTIFICATE WINNERS – 8th & 15th MARCH

Room 3	Annabelle Orr, Frankie Head, Saanvi Singh, Ollie Mathieson
Room 4	Meg Shelford, Tamati Prime, Alex Lancaster, Israel Sudfelt
Room 5	Archer Gillingham, Liam MacKinnon, Alna Ibin, Khetan Nandra
Room 6	Richard King, Ayden Alex, Fernanto Sojan, Ada Brown
Room 9	Lucas Howe, Nillah Lloyd, Arna Winder, Isla Barnes
Room 10	Emma Riley, Grace He, Ella Davies-Colley, Jake Ragnat
Room 11	Seb Bowles, Nathan Stewart / 15 th March Seniors at Camp
Room 12	Mckenzie Harrison, Xaviera Sainty / 15 th March Seniors at Camp
Room 14	Grace Adamson, Joseph Bai / 15 th March Seniors at Camp
Room 15	Khanh An Ha, Stevie Parkes-Sohal / 15 th March Seniors at Camp
Room 17	Jaxon Fedarb, Charli Ryan, Nakul Suresh, Kalia Anderson
Room 18	Joaquin Rodriguez Pazo, Steven Bibin, Sophia Shanahan, Lachy Edwards



MAUNU SCHOOL NETBALL – TERM 2



Junior Netball begins Term 2 at Kensington Park.

- The Junior Year 1 & 2 grade will be played Monday afternoons starting at 5.20pm.
- Years 3-6 have games every Saturday between 8.15 & 11am

If your child is interested in playing Netball this year look out for the **pink form** that went home with keen kids, or grab one from the School Office. We are also looking for Coaches and Managers, if you are interested please get in contact by **Wed 27th March**.

SCHOOL SWIMMING POOL - CLOSURE

The School Pool will be closing on **Thurs 28th March**. We hope you and your family have enjoyed the use of this facility over the warmer months. If you purchased a Pool Key, please return these to the School Office before end of term and we will arrange refund of the Bond.



THANK YOU TO HARVEST FRESH – OUR SPONSOR OF BREAKFAST CLUB



A big thank you to the amazing team at Harvest Fresh Maunu for keeping our daily Breakfast Club stocked up with fresh fruit every day. Our little breakfast bunch couldn't do without you. Thank you for your ongoing support of our tamariki.



Guess what? We've got something extra special lined up for the kids next Thursday 28th March: **A special Smoothie at Breakfast Club!** Yep, you heard it right, it's going to be a banana-berry bonanza, head to the hall and be quick to get your hands on one of these delicious smoothies. Special thanks to our Breakfast Club volunteers this term.

CAMP YEAR 5 & 6 – KAWAU ISLAND

Last week, our Year 5 and 6 students embarked on an enriching journey to Camp Bentzon on Kawau Island, and what a week it was!

Despite a bit of overcast weather and a few showers on the first day, the sun eventually smiled upon us. Throughout the week, our students had the opportunity to engage in a variety of activities, from kayaking and sailing to archery and bivouac building. These activities not only provided fun and excitement but also allowed our students to learn new skills and foster teamwork.

A highlight of the week was the wearable arts competition, where our students showcased their creativity and innovation. The Camp Bentzon talent show was another memorable event, with students showcasing their talents and entertaining their peers. The parents, teachers and students all thoroughly enjoyed the silent dinner.

We want to extend our heartfelt thanks to the parent helpers who supported us throughout the week. Your dedication and assistance ensured that our students had a safe and enjoyable experience at camp.

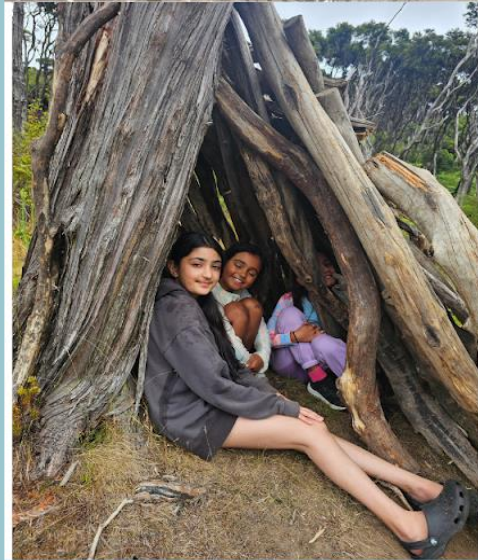
Overall, it was a week filled with laughter, learning, and unforgettable memories. Thank you to everyone involved for making it such a memorable experience for our Year 5 and 6 students.

A few words from our Campers...

“Camp was a one in a lifetime experience. Thanks to the cooks, the teachers, Erin, Peter and Troy, and the parent helpers. Without them we wouldn't have had all the fun we had. I enjoyed all the activities, especially sailing. I solo sailed which was epic, I could go faster than the others and I was in control.

I loved the talent show! All the skits made me laugh. The silent dinner was so peaceful and lovely. I loved my awesome experience at camp Bentzon. I really appreciate all the organisation that has gone towards camp.” – Mckenzie Harrison

"My experience at Camp Bentzon was one I will never forget. The food, right through to the activities was awesome. All the help from the parent helpers, and all the organisation from the teachers made sure that we had an amazing camp. My favourite moment was the talent show skit my friends and I did." – Sam Smith



FRIENDS & WHANAU – COMMUNITY QUIZ NIGHT

After the success of last year's quiz night, it seems there is interest for another round in Term 2! It's the perfect opportunity for parents to mingle, laugh, and show off their trivia skills, all while lending a hand to our school's fundraising efforts. If you're keen to get involved and help make this year's quiz night even more awesome, mark April 5th in your diaries, we're holding a planning meeting here at the school. Don't worry about babysitters—bring your little ones along! We'll have a dedicated area where they can play while we brainstorm and strategize. Details to come, or pop into the school office for more info.

NORTHLAND FC STARS SHINE BRIGHT AT WELLINGTON PHOENIX GAME

On Sat 16th March, Cooper Fromont, Freddie Steel, Jase Webb and Charlie Green went down to Eden Park to represent Northland FC at the Wellington Phoenix game and got to go on the field as flag bearers. They had an amazing time and loved getting the opportunity to do this.



REMINDERS

NAMING CHILDREN'S CLOTHING – LOST PROPERTY BOX



As we gear up for the cooler months ahead, just a friendly reminder to make sure your child's sweatshirts & jackets are labelled with their names. Our lost and found box is already bursting at the seams, so before term wraps up please ask your child to take a look in the box - we want to make sure that anything that belongs to them makes its way back home before the break.

COMMUNITY NEWS



Pursuing Your Potential

Structured Literacy Group Intervention Programme 2024



This successful course is being offered again in 2024. Instruction is evidence-based, targeted, and multi sensory. Your child's reading and spelling skills will increase through whole group/small group activities, progress monitoring and home learning.

LIMITED SPACES

- Years 5 and 6 students.
- Terms 2 and 3 2024.
- Every Thursday 3:30-4:45 pm.
- 20 weekly lessons - Starting May 2.
- Community Hub, Civic Arcade.
- Dyslexia PLUS membership of \$80/family.
- 3 instalments of \$350 by: 21 April, 16 June, and 11 August.
- The cost includes lesson fees, parent support and pre/post assessments.

This course is led by Dyslexia specialist teachers: Sheryn Comrie and Janet Simperingham. These teachers are registered members of Learning Disabilities Association of New Zealand LDANZ.

REGISTRATIONS CLOSE MON 8 APR

REGISTER HERE



For more information and to register your interest please contact our office on 09 4300 693 | admin@dyslexiaplus.org.nz | www.dyslexiaplus.org.nz



MARIST RUGBY
PARK AVENUE, KENSINGTON



Register NOW!!

New Players Welcome.

Grades:

Rippa: Under 5, Under 7, Under 8
Tackle: Under 8, Under 9, Under 10, Under 11, Under 12

New to Marist- We will need to see a copy of your birth certificate.

Any questions: Contact Shelley on 027 228 7987 or email: maristrugbywhangarei@gmail.com

Website:

<https://www.sporty.co.nz/maristrugbywhangarei/Home>
Facebook: Marist Rugby Whangarei

Central Brown FOOTBALL Rally Day

DATE
MARCH 21, 2024

TIME
4:00 PM - 6:00 PM

OTAIKA SPORTS PARK

AGES 4 - 16

centralbrownfootball@gmail.com
Nigel 027 307 5877 or Kelly 021 342 958

Central Brown AFC
 @centralbrownafc

What I enjoy about Huanui College is that it is a very organised school and the teachers always have good teaching strategies. All the seniors are a big and great help.

Sofia Guglielmetti, Year 7

OPEN DAY 2024

JOIN US for our OPEN DAY and find out what Huanui College can offer you and your family.

SUNDAY, APRIL 7
1:00pm-3:00pm

Register your interest online at <https://bit.ly/hcpenday2024>
Ph 09 459 1930

BDO
PARIHAKA Trail Run
SUN 07 APR
www.runwalkseries.co.nz



<https://raceroster.com/events/2024/76721/bdo-parihaka-trail-run-2024>

SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMME'S

Term 1
HOLIDAY PROGRAMME  **flip!**

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	1 day	2 days	3 days
Northland Badminton Centre (Porowini Ave)	Child	\$49	\$88	\$122
DATES 22nd - 24th April Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday	2 Children	\$88	\$156	\$224
TIME 9:00am—2:30pm	3+ Children	\$35/child, per day	\$35/child, per day	
AGE GROUP 4-9	Additional days			

WHAT TO BRING
 Morning tea, lunch and drink bottle



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

DANCE WORKSHOP
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 15-17 APRIL 2024
 WADPA DANCE

JOIN US



school holiday program

futsal...but so much more

Monday 15th - Friday 19nd April
 8:30 - 4:00pm

details & registration

www.northlandfutsalacademy.co.nz
christian@northlandfutsalacademy.co.nz
 021 246 7328

