

NEWSLETTER

TERM 3, WEEK 8 16 September 2022

WEEK 8

As always, time is racing by and there is lots happening as we approach the end of Term. Students are very excited for the Enchanted Forest Disco on Friday 23rd, the Talent Show on Tuesday 27th, and Movie Day on Thursday 29th. We have a Year 6 open evening on Tuesday 20th, so if you have friends looking at schools for Year 7, let them know to come along. Animal Registrations for Country Day close today, so if you haven't yet registered your animal, please do it now.

Please remember School is closed to students this Monday (19th) for a Teacher Only Day, and next Monday (26th) for Queen Elizabeth II Memorial Day.







HEADS UP

On Tuesday, Team Kiwi headed to HeadsUp Adventures for Monster Scooters and Paintball as part of their William Pike Challenge. Definitely some nerves when trying new things, but what a great effort all the Kiwi Kids put in!





People of the Week

-Team Kiwi for conquering their fears at their latest William Pike Challenge Award event with Heads Up Paintball and Monster Scooters.

THANK YOU

-Miss B and the school council for all the extra work involved in organising events such as hotdog day, School Disco and Movie Day.

-Miss B and Team Kiwi for creating an amazing Year 6 Fun Day.

Students from Maungakaramea and

Waiotira School had a blast!

-Mrs Abraham and Mrs Lonergan for organising the Teddy Bear Picnic for Piwakawaka, Pukeko and preschools from the area.

AN UPDATE FROM THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

For our board, the previous three years have been incredibly challenging. Even though there has been great progress, there is still so much more to be done. Kelly Campbell has served as a trustee for the last 5 years as a trustee at Maunagakaramea School. I sincerely thank Kelly for the countless hours she has invested in our school as a trustee since. Kelly decided to step down from the board at the most recent election to take a well-deserved break.

We also bid Bekki Fedarb farewell for serving as our outstanding Board Secretary; we appreciate all that you have done for us, Bekki. Our new board secretary is Sophia Barber, and we are delighted to be working with her.

I am excited to welcome new trustees, Nikki Attwood and Jane Southee who bring good knowledge, a passion for ensuring the highest level of education and support for our tamariki, and a desire to leave a mark on our school and community. Luana Misa, David Heappey, Steve Xue, and Leanne Lonergan (Staff Rep) are all returning members of the board. We thank them for their service and commitment and welcome them back.

The Board had its first meeting on Monday, 12th September, and elected Luana as the board's Presiding Member (Chair). Steve continues to focus on the financial portfolio, Jayne on personnel, David on the property portfolio, and Nikki on policies and procedures. Simon shared a mid-year student achievement report at our board meeting. This report outlines the core learning areas of reading and writing. From a board perspective, we are pleased to see that we have solid processes and committed teachers to ensure our children are given the best possible opportunity to achieve their academic targets in the classroom.

For the time being, please keep safe, and here's hoping that by the time the next board meeting rolls around, we'll be well into warmer and drier weather!

Nga mihi nui, Luana Misa Board Presiding Member

Congratulations to all the certificate winners from our last assembly!



PUPPY BAKE SALE

Lyn, Barb and the children would like to sincerely thank all the parents who tirelessly find the time to assist with providing biscuits, cup cakes and goodies for this very worthy cause.

Our special thanks to Cara, Nicole S, Sue R, Jay, Nicole & Bryant, Carolyn, Natasha and Cait.

MasterChef is looking for recruits!

We raised the sum \$165.00 which goes to the upkeep of our adopted puppy Marley, who is working hard at learning to be a guide dog.

We are appreciative of all your efforts and only have one more cake sale in Term Four, any funds left over at the end of the term then gets transferred to the Blind and Low Vision Guide dogs who may not have found such wonderful donors and need a bit extra

NETBALL REMINDERS

Well done to all our netballers this season. It is great to see so many students joining the school teams - this year we had three teams, with almost enough players for four!

Now that the season is over, please return skorts if these were borrowed from School, and player of the day trophies.

TROPHY RETURN

If you have a trophy from last year, please return these to the office

ASAP



EFTPOS UPDATE



Just a reminder that we are retiring our EFTPOS machine at the end of Term 3. From Term 4, all transactions will be via cash or Kindo. If you would like assistance with your Kindo account, please contact the office.



Students are allowed at school from 8.15am each day. This is for health and safety reasons as staff are often not at school until this time. If students arrive earlier than 8.15am they are sent to Ruru and parents are charged the morning rate.

COUNTRY DAY REGISTRATIONS - LAST DAY!!

Animal registrations for Country Day close today! Please make sure you check the animal guidelines (sent via email, or available from the office), including NAIT requirements.

Register your animal via the following link: https://forms.gle/YhnQJUnPkrfHWySs8

Registrations close Friday, 16th September













IMPORTANT DATES:

September:

19th - Teacher only day 20th - Year 6 Open Evening 23rd - Enchanted Forest Disco 26th - Queen Elizabeth II Public Holiday 27th - Talent Show 29th - Movie Day 30th - End of Term 3

October:

17th - Start of Term 4



Country Day - Friday 21st October Central Day - Thursday 3 November Russell Camp (Kiwi) - 31st Oct to 4th Nov Tangihua Camp (Kereru & Korimako) - 2nd to 4th November

Ongoing:

Assembly @ 2.15pm - Friday 30th September Fridays - Lunch Orders Newsletters - Friday 30th September



Lydia who started in Piwakawaka on Monday, and Liam who has just started his school visits. We're sure you will love it here at Maungakaramea School!

Tenā koutou i ngā āhuatanga o te wā, Greetings to you all at this time

We are fast approaching the end of the term with only two weeks to go. We have a lot happening, so look out for permission slips, email and Facebook notifications.

It has been great seeing our Senior leaders in action over the last few weeks. Being a Year 7 and 8 in our Intermediate programme is special. We have high student teacher ratios, excellent Learning Support, academic extension, many trips and opportunities to develop leadership skills that will set students up for success in highschool and later in life.

Classrooms 2023:

We are currently beginning the process of looking at classes for 2023. We need information from you to help us with how many classes we will have and what year levels will make up those classes.

If you have a preschool aged child, or know of any parents considering enrolling their child at our school at any point in 2023, please contact the school office to let us know asap.

If you know that you will be moving on to a new school in 2023, can you please contact the office and let us know as well.

If we can have this information by the end of Week 9 it would be greatly appreciated.

A Wellbeing quote:

If you see someone with a smile, give them one of yours. "Dolly Parton"

I roto i ngā mihi, With greetings Simon Schuster, Tumuaki/Principal