



PARENT PĀNUI (Announcements)

16th August 2024 (Week 5 Term 3 2024)

Me titiro ki te wiki e heke mai nei (Looking towards the week ahead),

Dates to remember - Week 5, Term 3

Wednesday 21st August:

- School lunches to be ordered today
- Deaf NZ in Kereru
- Puppy Bake Sale

Thursday 22nd August:

- School lunches

Friday 23rd August:

- School newsletter
- Kotahitanga: Don't forget to come in your Whānau colours today

Announcements:

Maungakarama School Enrolment Consultation:

The Maungakarama School Board is considering changing to a Cohort Entry model for children starting school at 5. We are seeking feedback from current families, community members who will possibly be sending their children to our school in the next few years and local Early Childcare providers.

Please follow the link for the [survey](#).

Please complete this survey by 3pm Friday 30th August 2024.

Country Day - Saturday 19th October:

Information about Country Day will be sent home on Monday 19th August. This will include:

- Animal registration
- Arts/Craft and Flower Day
- Animal information (Again)
- Central Ag Day information

Year 5/6 Camp 2025:

We are excited to announce the Year 5/6 camp for 2025:

Where: Russell (Orongo Holiday Park)

When: 25- 28 February 2025

What will we be doing?:

- Visiting Ruapekapeka Pa
- Guided Educational tour of Waitangi Treaty Grounds
- Hole in the Rock Dolphin Cruise
- Russell Scavenger Hunt
- Historic Walk
- Pompallier Mission Estate
- Russell Museum Educational Tour
- Learning Waka Ama

Cost to Parents: \$240. This is approximately half the cost of the camp. Parents will be able to pay this off throughout 2025 via Kindo.

In order to keep costs as low as possible there will be significant fundraising in 2025 to support this amazing camp! Stay tuned for how you can help.

Property Works at Maungakaramea School: (Swimming Pool implications)

As you will be aware, we are expecting two new classrooms. The works for this project will begin towards the end of this term and will be complete and ready for students by the beginning of Term 2, 2025.

Due to the location of the building project, we will **not be able** to open our school pool to the community this season. The pool will not open until the first day of the 2025 school year for our normal aquatics programme.

This is not a decision the Board has come to lightly, however we have taken Ministry of Education advice around Security and Health and Safety.

We apologise for any inconvenience.

The plans for the new classrooms are on display at the office entrance.

Teacher Only Day:

The Ministry of Education has made a mandatory Teacher Only Day for schools in early Term 4.

Our Senior Leadership Team has decided to have this ToD on Tuesday 29th October.

This is the day after Labour Day.

Please put this on your calendar.

Notices/Reminders:

Sickness:

A reminder that there are a number of illnesses going around at the moment including:

- stomach bugs
- Strep Throat
- Whooping Cough

We are reminding students regularly to blow their nose, cough into their elbow and to use classroom hand sanitizer regularly.

Please keep your child home if unwell to help us stop the spread and to help them recover quicker.

School Photos:

Tuesday 3rd September.

Zone Cross Country @ Waitira School:

29th August. If you have not already done so, please return your permission slip.

Term dates:

Last Day Term 3	Friday 27th September
First Day Term 4	Monday 14th October
Last Day of the school year	Friday 13th December

Ka nui tēnā mō tēnei wā (That's enough for now)

Simon Schuster



Tumuaki/Principal
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