

# PARENT PĀNUI (Announcements)

18th July 2025



Mihi Whakatau (New student, whānau and staff welcome) and Classroom Opening:

A huge thank you to those who came along for our ceremony on Thursday. It was a lovely event and parents who came had the privilege of walking through the new classrooms while they were being blessed.

A reminder that we have our Mihi Whakatau in Week 1 or Term 1 and Term 3 each year.

Me titiro ki te wiki e heke mai nei (Looking towards the week ahead- In Term 3),

## Dates to remember - Week 2, Term 3

### **Monday 21st July:**

- Mid Year Interviews: School closes at 1pm today. Buses are running at normal times
- Matua Chris will be available to meet with parents from Tui between 1.30pm and 5pm

### **Tuesday 22nd July:**

Mid Year Interviews: School hours as per usual

### **Wednesday 23rd July:**

- 9.15am Ned's Resiliency Ride performance
- 5pm Lunch orders due today
- 3-4pm: Kiwi Science Fair on display in Kiwi

### **Thursday 24th July:**

- Lunch orders
- 3-4pm: Kiwi Science Fair on display in Kiwi

### **Friday 25th July:**

- Parent Pānui
- 3-4pm: Kiwi Science Fair on display in Kiwi
- 1.50pm: School Assembly

## Notices/Reminders:

### Kotahitanga:

Kotahitanga means "unity, togetherness and solidarity". We use this as a means to bring our whole school together, promote older and younger student relationships and to have regular Whānau (House) event opportunities.

In Term 3 we will be having Kotahitanga in the afternoon of odd weeks.

Students can wear their Whānau Group colours.

Sorry to new students who did not know which Whānau Group they were in. We have had a large number of new students this term and have just finalised this today.

Cross Country: Term 3 is our Cross Country Term. In preparation for our Zone competition later this term we will begin Cross Country training from Week 3. Please ensure students have a change of clothes in case they get muddy.

Practice will be weather dependent.

Fields: Due to the recent terrible weather and all the vehicles that have been travelling across the fields recently, the fields are closed. I will inform students when they can use them again.

### Mid Year Parent Interviews:

Mid Year Interviews are coming up:

If your child is in TUI they do not need interviews booked as these were completed at the end of term 2. Matua Chris will be available from 1.30- 5pm to meet parents.

**Monday 21st July 1.30pm to 6.00pm and Tuesday 22nd July 3.30pm to 6.00pm**

**We will be closing at 1.00pm on Monday 21st July.**

**Normal school hours on Tuesday 22nd July.**

After School Care will be available from 1.00pm to 5.30pm. Please book early to ensure there is space available. NB - you only need to book the 1.00-3.00 session (for \$5) if you are not booking a later session. After School Care bookings will be automatically included in the Early Close supervision.

Interview times are 10 minutes long.

All confirmed interview times will be emailed to you on Friday 18th July.

### School Photos:

School photos Tuesday 12th August (Postponement date Wednesday 13th August)

### Quiz Night:

On Friday 12th September we will be holding a Quiz night, we are seeking help from anyone who would like to be involved. We will need helpers for running the kitchen, getting donated prizes/goods, set up/ pack down etc. If you are able to help in any way please contact Jena in the office.

**Term dates:**

Last Day of Term 3	Friday 19th September
First Day of Term 4	Monday 6th October
Last Day for 2025	Friday 12th December

New Entrant enrolment dates for 2025:

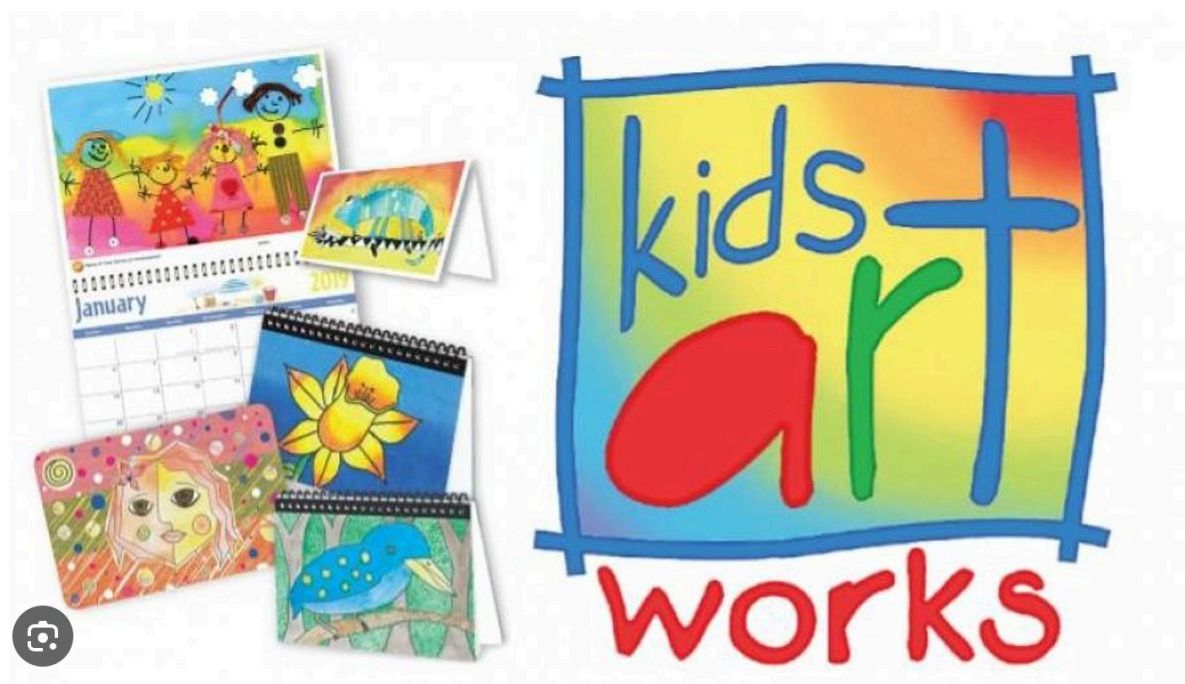
2025	Beginning of Term date	Mid Term date
Term 3	14/7/2025	18/8/2025
Term 4	6/10/2025	10/11/2025

**Calendar Art:**

We have KIDS ARTWORKS for sale now on kindo, calendar's, diaries, mouse pads, cards and note books with your child/children's artwork on.

You can view the artwork in the classrooms and order online, orders close Friday week 2 term 3.

These make great Christmas and Birthday presents for grandparents and other family members.



NED's Resiliency Ride Show: Wednesday 23 July, 9.15am

Next week, we are very lucky to have the NED's Resiliency Show coming to our school! This is a whole school assembly that will aim to teach our kids all about being resilient.

Following the assembly, there will also be Yoyo's for sale. These are sold to support NED's show so they can continue to provide this opportunity to schools around New Zealand.



#### REPLACEMENT STRING PACK

Ten assorted strings to change color or replace a worn out yo-yo string.

NZ\$6



NZ\$12

#### YO HOLSTER

Keep track of your yo and have it ready to go. Attach it to your belt loop or backpack (yo-yo not included).

**CLASSIC YOS** NZ\$16  
Learn the basics of yo-yoing with assorted fixed axle yo-yos.



NED YO



GOYO

#### SUPER SPINNERS

Great for basic and intermediate tricks. With a strong throw, these auto-return yo-yos 'sleep' at the end of the string & then come back automatically.

NZ\$20



MAX



TRIXIE



YETI



SNAPBACK

**SPECIALTY SURPRISE SELECTION** Assorted professional yo-yos for next level tricks! For younger players, add 5 string wraps around the axle for easy play.

NZ\$25



SPARK



FLASH



UFO



XBOT



STARBURST



STORM



GALAXY



EXCELERATOR





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# Fantasy Disco

Use your imagination & Dress up fantasy themed

**Friday 1<sup>st</sup> August**  
**4.30-6.30pm**  
In the Multi purpose room

Come along for some great music and show us your awesome moves

For sale on Kindo and cash on the night

Glow sticks.	\$2
Lollies/Chocolate bars.	\$2
Sugar free fizzy drinks	\$2
Pizza (per slice)	\$2

**Gold Coin Entry**



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**SATURDAY 25<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER 2025**

**9am - 2pm - COUNTRY DAY**  
Animal judging, indoor exhibits, food, market stalls and more

**3pm - 4.30pm - Meet greet and catch up**  
At the Maungakaramaea bowling club, bar open to purchase beverages, nibbles provided

**5.30pm - Late - Dinner and speeches**  
At the Midwestern Rugby club, buffet dinner, bar open to purchase beverages, speeches and dancing.

To register for the Meet and Greet and Evening Event please use the link or email [office@mgk.school.nz](mailto:office@mgk.school.nz)  
<https://forms.gle/ftAey96JT5paLoxs8>

Registrations close on Friday 10th October

Please note there is a cost for the Evening event dinner.  
Beverage purchases are up to the individual.

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

Simon Schuster



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