

MANGAWHAI BEACH SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER



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PRINCIPAL'S SOAPBOX

Calendar Update:

11th Mar – P.A.T. Testing
15th Mar – Jnr Synd assembly 1:45pm – all welcome
15th Mar – Wellsford Sports Exchange
19th Mar – TRYathlon @ 11:00am
19th Mar – Union Meeting School closes 1:00pm
22nd Mar – Intermediate SUP EOTC
22nd Mar – Mdl Synd assembly 1:45pm – all welcome
22nd Mar – DISCO – Under the Sea
25th Mar – BOT Meeting @ 6:30pm
26th Mar – World Water Day
27th Mar – Yr 7/8 Technology @ Rodney College
28th Mar – Water fight (house colours/mufti)
29th Mar – Snr Synd assembly 1:45pm – all welcome
2nd Apr – Yr 7/8 Technology @ Rodney College

School Break Times

8.55am Period 1

10:00am Brain Break (sml snack)

11:00am Interval

11:30am Period 2

12:45pm - 1:20pm Lunch play

1:20pm - 1:30pm eat Lunch

1:30pm Period 3

2:45pm End of School

MBS Term Dates:

T1 2019: 31st Jan – 12th Apr

T2 2019: 29th Apr – 5th Jul

T3 2019: 22nd Jul – 27th Sep

T4 2019: 14th Oct – 17th Dec

Fun Run - We have launched into our Fun Run major fundraiser with great gusto. So far over the weekend we have raised **\$6,000**. This year instead of a Gala Day we are having a fun run. There is no need to give hours of your time, bake a cake or spend money at the Gala - instead this year we are asking you, your whanau and friends to sponsor your child in the fun run challenge. Not only is this a great way to raise money but every child who raises \$10 or more gets a guaranteed prize and your family goes into the draw to win a family trip worth \$20,000. Just head over to schoolfundraising.co.nz to set up an online account for your child - it is easy - and start fundraising. If every child raised \$108 we would reach our target of \$50,000. A big thank you to all our major sponsors who have also supported us with their sponsorship on the day. The event on **Tuesday 9th April** is going to be great fun with activities like a water slide, water spray, obstacle course and colour to name just a few. Let's get fundraising! **DOOR KNOCKING FOR CASH DONATIONS IS PERMITTED AS LONG AS YOU KNOW THE NEIGHBOURS AND CHILDREN ARE ACCOMPANIED BY AN ADULT.**



PAT testing - This week is progressive achievement test (PAT) week. Our year 3-8 students will be completing reading and mathematics assessments to show us their growth and areas that require improvement. Please help your child by ensuring they are well rested and prepared for this important week. Great food, exercise, sleep and plenty of water also help our brain to function at its optimum.

Wellsford Sports Exchange - this exchange is on Friday. Selected students from Mangawhai compete in a range of summer sports against Wellsford Primary to win the prestigious interschool cup. This is a hard fought competition and we wish all our students the best of luck - bring home the cup.

TRYathlon - It was a good decision to postpone the TRYathlon last week. The new date for this event is on Tuesday 19th March at 11:00am. The TRYathlon will conclude with lemonade ice blocks for participants around 1:00pm. This is also the paid union meeting date and the school will be finishing early.

Paid Union Meeting - The primary school teacher's collective contract has still not been ratified by the Ministry of Education. This means that the work and pay conditions have not come to a successful negotiation.

Teachers will attend a paid union meeting on

19 MARCH

School will close at 1:00pm. If you are unable to meet your child/children early, please contact the office so childcare can be arranged.

The NZEI (teachers union) are calling all union members to a stop work meeting on Tuesday 19th March at 1:30pm. This means that we will have no staff at school. The school will remain officially open, and I would love to be able to supervise 470 students but am unable to do this due to Health and Safety regulations, so am asking that buses run at the earlier time of 1:30pm and parents collect their students at 1:00pm after the TRYathlon. If you are really stuck and need supervision of your children please notify the office as soon as possible so that we can

assist. Thank you for all of your support of our teachers, let's hope that we can get our claims met so that we can all move forward.

From the ACE team: Aaron Kemp, Cherylene Neels and Emma Grieve

For those new to our school and those that need a refresher..... in following newsletters we will feature one of our values and what it means at Mangawhai Beach School.

EXCELLENCE: THE QUALITY OF BEING OUTSTANDING OR EXTREMELY GOOD. Excellence means greatness — the very best. Achieving **excellence** is never easy to do. **Excellence** is a quality that people really appreciate, because it's so hard to find. **Excellence** is the quality of excelling, of being truly the best at something. It also means being the best that you can be- not your neighbour or your best friend-YOU. Excellence doesn't just apply to work, it applies to behaviour, uniforms, friendships, attitude, sports, music, dance, drama- EVERYTHING. We are all capable of excellence in our lives- let's show it and be proud!



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Visiting the School Grounds. If you are visiting the school for any reason you MUST log in first at the school office and obtain a visitors pass – this is a health and safety requirement.

School Uniforms: Uniform shop is open every WEDNESDAY. You are welcome to come and try on if your child needs a bigger size or just purchase outright. A small selection of second hand uniforms are available.

In case of emergency: If a situation arises during the day that will change your child's home time routine, we can send a 'green note' to the classroom to advise your child of this change. **Please note this is not for everyday reminders.** Reaffirm after school arrangements with your child in the morning so reminders are not necessary and keep school arrangements consistent so as not to confuse your child.



School Buses. Buses are provided to take children to and from their home not to after school sports/arts or friend's houses for play dates. Please let the office know if your child is not on their normal bus in the afternoon **before 2:00pm.**



Absences. Please advise the office before 9:30am if your child/children are not attending school on any given day. The Ministry of Education requires the reason for the absence. You can either leave a message on our answering service 09-431-4385 or text the school mobile 0223957708. **YOU MUST CONTACT THE SCHOOL EACH DAY YOUR CHILD IS AWAY.**

Recycle Mobile Phones. The school has a collection box for old mobile phones. Phones collected help our school gain valuable rewards and also the environment benefits by keeping our landfills free of mobile phones and their array of hazardous toxic substances. Please drop any unwanted mobile phones you may have in the collection box in the office.



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