

MANGAWHAI BEACH SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER



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Monday 14th December 2015

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PRINCIPAL'S SOAPBOX

Well everyone this is the last newsletter for the year and what a busy year it has been, with quite a few changes and lots of high lights. Our final assembly this week is on Thursday at 10.30am. It will be quite a celebration of the year's success and also a special farewell to our Year 8 students who graduate and head off to various Colleges next year. We wish them all the very best. Please keep in touch with me so I can keep the community informed of your achievements. Everyone is invited to our final assembly and we will open up the front court for parking. Lastly from Aaron, myself and all our staff we wish you all a very happy and safe Christmas and summer period.

Staffing 2016: It is with regret that, I must inform you all Andie Gore has resigned from her teaching position. She has decided she needs a change and has won a position at Tomarata School. We wish you all the best Andie in your new school and position. In terms of her class we have been very busy back in the appointments process and have appointed a highly experienced teacher and leader Tanya Hampton. She is moving to Mangawhai with her husband and young daughter. We welcome them into our community and look forward to Tanya becoming part of our teaching team.



Registered Teacher Criteria: The sixth of the 12 registered teacher criteria:

6. Conceptualise, plan and implement an appropriate learning programme

- i. Articulate clearly the aims of their teaching, give sound professional reasons for adopting these aims, and implement them in their practice*
- ii. Through their planning and teaching, demonstrate their knowledge and understanding of relevant content, disciplines and curriculum documents.*



At MBS we have developed a curriculum based on the New Zealand Curriculum document, the National Standards, National Exemplars and Guidelines. This Curriculum shows clearly what needs to be achieved at each year level in Reading, Writing and Mathematics. We use the New Zealand curriculum document Achievement Objectives for basing our planning in The Arts, Science, Social Sciences, Technology, Health and Physical Education. We have a school wide plan which was developed in consultation with the local iwi for the teaching of Maori and Te Reo.

We have themes from the New Zealand curriculum of Globalisation, Sustainability, Citizenship, and Enterprise which we base units of inquiry learning on and we try to tie these into current issues relating to either themselves, our community, our country, or the world. We also weave into this the 5 key competencies in our New Zealand Curriculum - Managing self, Relating to others, Using language, symbols and texts, Participating and contributing, and Thinking.

Planning is done in a variety of ways. Some is syndicate based because having multiple classes at the same year level it is important that all students get exposure to similar learning. Reading, Writing and Maths is done at classroom level and is based on the individual needs of the children in that class.

National Standards Data:

Our end of year whole school data looks like the following:

Reading - 87 % of all students are achieving 'at' or 'above' the national standard.

Mathematics - 84% of all students are achieving 'at' or 'above' the national standard.

Writing - 79% of all students are achieving 'at' or 'above' the national standard.

We will be continuing with professional learning in the teaching of writing in 2016. This should assist us to raise our achievement in writing.

Generous Donation: A big thank you to FRESH who donated over 40 punnets of strawberries for the students on Tuesday during the bake sale and mufti day. It was a really lovely gesture and much appreciated to have such a healthy snack provided for our kids to enjoy. Thank you.

Cultural days: Now we have our first cultural day for 2016 and you all need to mark this on your calendar because it happens in January before school comes back. January 26th is Australia Day! Yes we have



some Ozzie cousins at MBS and we need to

make them feel welcome. So put your green and gold on and your flip flops and enjoy vegemite on toast. National Australia day marks the anniversary of the 1788

arrival of the First Fleet of British Ships at Port Jackson, New South Wales, and the raising of the Flag of Great Britain at that site by Governor Arthur Phillip.



Donation: Last week we had a visit from the Heather Rogan and Jane from the Fairy Tern charitable trust and they have kindly donated a book to the school Library. It is The Field Guide to the Birds of New Zealand. It is full of great information about our birds, how to identify them and their habitats etc. So a big thanks to the Fairy Tern Charitable Trust.

Board of Trustees: I would like to take this opportunity to thank our parent representatives on the Board Dave Glover, Tina Marwick, Lyndsay Strong, Shayne Stuart, and Hira Wynyard. These five people have worked in their roles on the board throughout the year always being considerate of the importance of the decisions they have to make and the impact of these on our kids learning and the direction of our school. They have had to work with and support three Principals this year remembering Martin Hett was a first time Principal as well. They have all been committed to their roles and are the first Board to govern the school to a five year ERO review. Congratulations and thank you from the parent community and staff. We are very lucky to have such highly skilled and dedicated people on our board.

Leabourn Buses and Bus Drivers: I would also like to take this opportunity to thank Leabourn Buses and all their staff and drivers. They pick up our kids and deliver them to and from school, safely negotiating our windy roads. They transport our intermediates to and from Rodney College for technology. So a big thank you to Lyndon and our fabulous drivers at Leabourn's for the care you have shown to our kids throughout the year.

Community Reminder re Assembly: If you are an upstairs gym user we would ask that you kindly refrain from using the equipment during our final assembly on Thursday from 10.30-12.30pm. Thank you for your consideration of our kids with this request.

MERRY CHRISTMAS EVERYONE AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR
koa Kirihimete me te Tau Hou hari



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Paula Bygrave – Deputy Principal

JAKI AND JEN FROM AFTER3 WILL BE AVAILABLE FROM 10:30AM ON THURSDAY 17TH DECEMBER TO SUPERVISE ANY PRE-SCHOOL CHILDREN WHILE PARENTS ARE AT OUR END OF YEAR ASSEMBLY.

PLEASE RETURN AG DAY TROPHIES FOR ENGRAVING AND PICK UP PORTRAIT PHOTOS

Calendar Update:

16th Dec – Graduation Dinner
17th Dec – LAST DAY OF TERM – Final Assembly starts at 10:30am – all welcome
2nd Feb 2016 – Teacher Only Day
3rd Feb 2016 – Meet the Teacher
4th Feb 2016 – First day of school

2016 MBS TERM DATES

Term1: Thu 4 Feb – Fri 15 Apr
Term2: Mon 2 May – Fri 8 Jul
Term3: Mon 25 Jul – Fri 23 Sep
Term4: Mon 10 Oct – Fri 16 Dec

School Break Times

8.55am Period 1
10:00am Brain Break (sml snack)
11:00am Interval
11:30am Period 2
1:00pm Lunch
1:40pm Period 3
2:45pm End of School

Assembly days:

12:45pm Lunch
1:30pm Assembly

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COMMUNITY NOTICES

Moirs Point Christian Centre at Mangawhai is hosting a holiday camp for years 7-9 on the 17-21 January 2016.

Register online at www.sunz.org.nz for lots of water activities and fun in the sun!



Otamatea Martial Arts.

CLOSING DATES FOR 2015 and STARTING DATES FOR 2016

WELLSFORD – Kempo (Tuesdays)

Juniors/teens: Last class Dec 15th First class Feb 9th 2016

KAIWAKA – Kempo (Wednesdays)

Juniors/teens: Last class Dec 16th First class Feb 10th 2016

MANGAWHAI – Kempo (Saturdays)

Last class Dec 12th First class Feb 6th 2016

Please come along to our end of year combined training, demonstrations and final bow-out:

KAIWAKA SPORTS ASSOCIATION Gibbons Road

Sunday 13th December

Tai Chi from 8.30a.m.

Kempo training and demonstrations 10.15a.m.

Shared Morning Tea (bring a plate) 11.30a.m.

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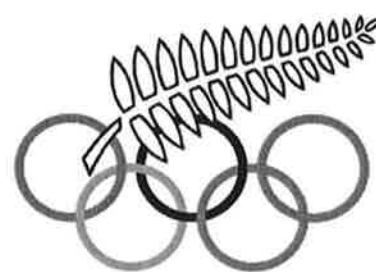
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ANZ Warkworth Branch is encouraging people in the Mangawhai Beach community to support their school and come to the ANZ for their next home loan.

For every home loan drawn down, the school can earn credits to spend on items from the ANZ Awards Centre, such as sports equipment or computers.

If you would like to support Mangawhai Beach School and take the opportunity to talk to a Home Loan Specialist about tailoring a home loan solution that's suited to your needs, and to help you achieve your future financial goals, please contact your Local Mangawhai Home Loan Specialist, Charlene Morrison, ANZ Warkworth North Branch, on 09 4250608.

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