

MANGAWHAI BEACH SCHOOL

# NEWSLETTER



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# Monday 15<sup>th</sup> May 2017

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## PRINCIPAL'S SOAPBOX

<p><b><u>Calendar Update:</u></b> 15<sup>th</sup> May – BOT Meeting @ 6:30pm 16<sup>th</sup> May – Noho Marae sleepover 17<sup>th</sup> May – New Entrant Field Trip to worm farm 19<sup>th</sup> May – Junior Syndicate Assembly 22<sup>nd</sup> May – Bully Free Week 25<sup>th</sup> May – Fire Wise Rooms 0-4 25<sup>th</sup> May – FOMBS Meeting 7:30pm 26<sup>th</sup> May – Senior Syndicate Assembly</p> <p><b><u>2017 MBS TERM DATES</u></b> Term2: 1<sup>st</sup> May – 7<sup>th</sup> Jul Term3: 24<sup>th</sup> Jul – 29<sup>th</sup> Sep Term4: 16<sup>th</sup> Oct – 15<sup>th</sup> Dec</p>	<p><b><u>School Break Times</u></b> <b>8.55am Period 1</b> 10:00am Brain Break (sml snack) 11:00am Interval 11:30am Period 2 1:00pm Lunch 1:40pm Period 3 <b>2:45pm End of School</b></p> <p><b><u>Assembly days:</u></b> 12:45pm Lunch 1:30pm Assembly</p>
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**E.O.T.C. (Education Outside the Classroom)** – Statements are making their way home so if you have trip fees to pay for, please pay these before the event. You can bank the funds directly into the school's bank account number which is shown on the statement. Please use your child's name and the activity as a reference. Trips are planned to reinforce what our students are learning in class. We endeavour to keep the costs to a minimum and appreciate the support from parents to given their children these great out of class experiences.

**Health and Wellbeing Survey** - On our Facebook and website we have placed a link to the school Health and Wellbeing Survey which we would like our parents to complete. This is a short survey that gives us information on what areas you think are important for us, as a school community, to focus on.

**Uniform** – We conducted a random spot check of uniforms last week and were pleased to find most of our students wearing the correct uniform - except for socks. A reminder to parents that socks should be black, shoes should be predominately black, and skivvies or tank tops worn underneath uniform shirts should also be black.

**Birthday Cakes** - A reminder to parents, and advice to our new families that the school has a policy of no birthday cakes for sharing in class. This is because we have children with food allergies and special dietary requirements enrolled. If a shared morning tea/lunch (or our bake sale) is being planned, a notice will be sent home to parents at least one week in advance.

*Aaron Kemp*  
*Principal*

### **PUBLIC HEALTH NEWS**

#### **Sore Throats**

Strep A throat infections can cause Rheumatic Fever. A simple throat swab is all that is required and if positive then Antibiotic's can be given. This preventable illness is prevalent in Northland and this initiative has been established to help prevent more cases.

This is a free service and free medication will be supplied. Parental consent will be obtained before we can swab or treat your child and your child's GP will be informed of any treatment provided.

If you have any questions or concerns please contact your Public Health Nurse – Dee Millen on 0800 223 358 (option 4) or 021 735 313

Have you looked at our EVENTS tab on Facebook?  
Check in for upcoming events!



Young Ocean Explorers books for sale.

Following on from their visit on the 5<sup>th</sup> May, Young Ocean Explorers books are available for purchase at the website address below:

<https://www.youngoceanexplorers.co.nz/collections/all>

You can select what items you want and if you apply the promo code **MANGAWHAI** it will take off the shipping price. Also type in your child/children's name in the *COMPANY* line if they'd like Riley and Steve to sign the book.

## Did You Know?

- There is a new scooter stand at the end of Room four made by our fabulous caretaker Geoff.
- The hand-painted games on the concrete in the junior area were painted by our awesome teacher aide Janet and her art group.

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31<sup>st</sup> May 2017

## GENERAL HOUSEKEEPING

**Absences.** Children not attending school must be reported to the school office before **9.30am with 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.***

**School Buses.** Buses are provided to take children to and from their home. With over 300 students to organise on buses in the afternoon, it is imperative that the office keeps an accurate check list of children riding the bus home in the afternoon in case of an accident or emergency. Please let the office know if your child is not on their normal bus in the afternoon **before 2:00pm.**

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



No  
unauthorised  
entry

**Home-time Changes (green notes).** If an **EMERGENCY SITUATION** arises during the day and you need to get a message to your child, the office can send a green note with the afternoon messages to let the child know what the change of plan is.

**Lost Property.** Check lost property on a regular basis for any missing items. At the end of the term any unclaimed items will be given to the St John's Op Shop or sold on the second hand uniform rack as a donation to the school.

**Recycle Mobile Phones.** There is a drop box in the school office for old mobile phones. Please put your old mobiles in here and not in the rubbish where they end up as land fill.

To Mangawhai Beach School

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Children & Whanau

Tena Koutou Katoa



Introducing the Love Kaipara -  
Reduce, Reuse, Recycle Education Programme:

At Mangawhai Beach School over two days on the 22 and 25 May 2017, the Love Kaipara education team will teach the year 5s, year 6s and the Enviro Group pupils.

Pupils will learn how to reduce the waste pile by recycling. They will discover which resources go into making glass, plastics, tin, and aluminium, and how long these materials take to decompose if left in nature. These lessons will teach the pupils why it is so important to "Be a Tidy Kiwi".

Parents and whanau, you are welcome to come along to these fun lessons at the school. Lessons will begin around 9:30am. The lessons aim to cover these topics, depending on the time available:

- Wash & Squash: Let's Get Recycling
- The Life Cycle of an Aluminium Can
- How Long does Rubbish Last?

We really look forward to meeting the Mangawhai Beach School community!

Nga mihi nui ki a koutou,  
Lady V (Victoria del la Varis)  
Lady M (Margaret Baker)

Arohatia ko Kaipara: Whakamutua te moumou! Me hangarua! Me tukurua!  
Love Kaipara, Reduce Reuse Recycle

*On the 1st of June our school is going to celebrate World Environment Day (5th June) by having a mufti day (no cost) where children are encouraged to wear clothes from 2nd hand shops or hand-me-downs or clothing that they have upcycled (breathing new life into unwanted clothes).*

*This theme is to highlight the impact of 'throwaway threads' or 'fast fashion'.*

*This also fits in with the Waste /*

*Globalisation that some of them are doing as their Inquiry.*



*Some quick facts (also linked below):*

*\* Clothes are the second largest source of pollution after oil*

*\* Ministry for the Environment figures show 100 million kilos of textile waste is thrown into the country's rubbish dumps yearly.*

*That's the equivalent of every person in New Zealand chucking about 145 medium-sized men's T-shirts a year.*

*\* Microfibres are responsible for 85% of global shoreline pollution*

## Mangawhai Beach School Basketball team coaching

**WHERE:** The Gym

**WHEN:** Every Tuesday 3:00-4:30pm (during term 2)

Following on from recent Friday afternoon basketball coaching and in preparation of up and coming competitions, MBS team trials and coaching will take place every Tuesday of Term Two (unless notified).

Students 8 years and older, interested in playing for MBS, please come along.



Any questions phone/text Don Lawson 021 983 560

# COMMUNITY NOTICES

## **MANGAWHAI AFTER 3**

*Fun Factory After School Care*

For enrolments and bookings contact:  
Jen: 09-431-5694 (brucejenc@gmail.com)



### **Keen to make a contribution?**

The Mangawhai Community Trust owns and operates the Mangawhai Recreation Centre and Fitness Centre. It is planning to further develop much needed facilities in Mangawhai in collaboration with other organisations. Trustees represent a wide variety of local groups and individuals keen to support Mangawhai initiatives.

Our brilliant long-serving Treasurer will step down shortly and we are seeking her replacement. We have well developed accounting/bookkeeping processes, using Xero cloud based systems to pay suppliers promptly and to provide trustees with appropriate information. The role is part-time, perhaps two hours in a typical week. Trustees meet bi-monthly.

If you would like to find out more about this role and how you might contribute to our community, please contact Tom Smith on 431 5522.

Russell Museum

## **SCHOOLS POSTER COMPETITION**



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THE SCHOOLS of  
RUSSELL STATE FOREST

FOR MORE INFORMATION  
VISIT THE EXHIBITION @  
RUSSELL MUSEUM  
1 MAY-23 JULY 2017  
2 York Street, Russell, Bay of Islands

Kia Whai Te Waiora a Tane

mo te **KAURI**

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