

MANGAWHAI BEACH SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER



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Monday 2nd March 2015

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PRINCIPAL'S SOAPBOX

Welcome to week 5, the term is flying by. We had a fantastic swimming sports day last Thursday at Rodney College. I would like to thank all the parents that came out and volunteered their time. Your help was very much appreciated and without you all we would not be able to run such a great day. A big thank you to all the children as well, they were well behaved and participated fully in the event. A great day all round.

Throughout the year at Mangawhai Beach School we cover a range of virtues; caring, unity, excellence, service, creativity, joyfulness, respect, cooperation, forgiveness, friendliness and perseverance. This week we start the virtue of unity and we will be encouraging students to work and live together peacefully. Without unity, differences scare people and drive them apart. Without unity, each person stands alone. With unity we work together to accomplish more than any one of us could by ourselves. Working in unity with others gets things done efficiently. Unity helps us solve problems peacefully by listening and finding solutions. It is important that our students understand this virtue as they require these skills in their daily interactions both at school and home. These are skills that will enable them to succeed in life and be happy productive citizens.

At Mangawhai Beach School we are encouraging our students to be safe and well equipped digital citizens. As we move forward into the digital age we need to ensure children are confident with cyber safety. This means we are helping students build the skills and knowledge to effectively manage challenges in cyberspace themselves. Educators need to increase their capability to guide young people in building their own cyber safety skills. We do this by encouraging students to seek adult advice and support when they encounter material they think is not suitable. We also teach children how to use their devices in a way that is considerate and not harmful to others. Explaining to children about the privacy of others and also how to be secure with their own information is important. We emphasise that once they have written something on line then this is permanent and cannot be taken back. The vision is that by the time a student leaves school we expect them to be ready to fully participate in a digital society.

Triathlon is on this Friday 6th March, starting at 1pm. This is for the whole school, and all students participate. Students will need to bring their bikes and put them next to the hard courts before school, in the labelled zones. Students will also need to bring their swimming gear, and a change of clothes if they are only doing the running/swimming legs. If your child does not have some of the necessary equipment, that is ok. They will participate in the parts that they are able to. If you are able to assist on the day please contact Jaimee Fletcher on jfletcher@mangawhaibeach.school.nz or leave a message with the office.

During the last couple of weeks we have had children arrive at school with very little food in their lunchbox. If a child presents with insufficient food for the day, we will be contacting parents to bring some more food to school. Children need a good morning tea and lunch in order to sustain their concentration in class and to keep their energy levels up.

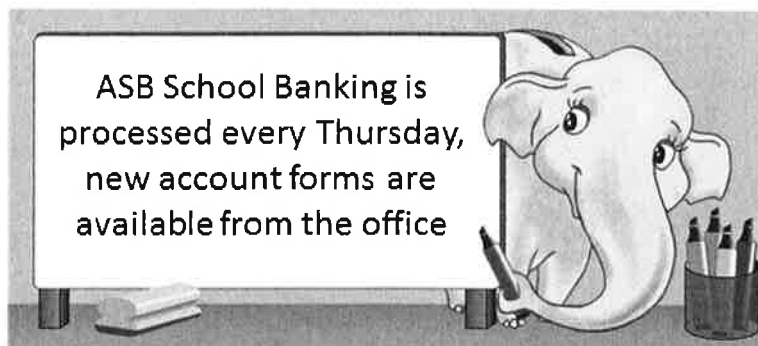
When you call the school to advise of your child's absent, please let the office know what type of illness your child has. It is imperative for the health and safety of other students that we know a.s.a.p of an outbreak of mumps, measles or other such illness. Your immediate notification would be much appreciated.

Martin Hett
mhett@mangawhaibeach.school.nz

GENERAL HOUSEKEEPING

Visiting the School Grounds. If you are visiting the school for any reason you need to first sign in at the school office and obtain a visitors pass.

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 with our answering service or text the school mobile: 0223957708.



Early Arrivers The school is not officially open until 8:00am. Teachers do not arrive any earlier and we do not want your children to be left unsupervised before this time.

AFTER3 Fun Factory. After school care is available Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 2:45pm – 5:30pm. Cost is \$15 per session and an OSCAR subsidy is available. Casual and permanent placing's are available. Please see the office to enrol.

Head Lice – If your child is constantly scratching their head, the cause could be head lice. Please check your child's hair weekly for head lice and treat for a minimum of three weeks if lice are found. Please also advise the classroom teacher so letters can be sent home to other families to try and stop reinfestations. Students are required to tie back long hair.

Beach FM 87.8 - The student led radio station will be blasting every lunchtime. Please remember to tune in and listen to our students read stories, play music and practice their DJing skills.

If you have any questions regarding what is going on in the school please check our online calendar, website or facebook page before contacting the school office. We will endeavour to post updates as they happen to ensure immediate notification.

www.mangawhaibeach.school.nz

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 E-mail sent to the ASB School Account Manager.

OFFICEMAX MYSCHOOL HAS BEEN CLOSED FOR THE YEAR. IF YOU ARE STILL TO PAY FOR MATHS WHIZZ / READING EGGS YOU CAN DO THIS VIA THE SCHOOL OFFICE.

Calendar Update:

Mar 6th – MBS Triathlon
Mar 13th – Assembly 1:30pm – all welcome
Mar 18th – Junior Pool Training (Swim for Life)
Mar 19th – Junior Pool Training (Swim for Life)
Mar 20th – MBS Disco 6:30pm-8:00pm
Mar 23rd – BOT Meeting 6:00pm
Mar 24th – Bake Sale/Mufti Day

Term Dates 2015

February 4 – April 2
April 20 – July 3
July 20 – September 25
October 12 – December 18

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



After3 Fun Factory

Jen & Jaki run an awesome after school care programme. The program is available for both permanent bookings and casual bookings.

**Need to get your haircut and don't want to take the kids – After3!
Running late back from town and won't be home in time – After3!
A quiet afternoon coffee with friends – After3!**

Afternoon tea, homework, arts, crafts, sewing, baking, games, painting, movies – all this on offer for only \$15 per session.

OSCAR subsidies are available, please phone the office for bookings

COMMUNITY NOTICES



MANGAWHAI FOOTBALL CLUB FOOTBALL STARTING SOON

Come along to the

Football Fun Day

on 22nd of March 3.30pm at the Domain

REGISTER NOW ALL AGES

Register online at: mangawhaifootballclub.co.nz

ATTENTION: Hockey players Year 0-6

Funsticks Year 0-2, 8.30am sat - Funsticks is hockey with plastic sticks and the sessions are a mix of skills and a games.

Year 2-6, Games either in a junior or senior division. Contact Sandra at below contact for an information sheet and registration form. Games are played in school teams, so either starting a team from your school, or combining with another local school to form a team, or joining an established team with another school. Games commence 2nd term, at the brand new hockey turf at the A&P showgrounds, on Saturday mornings.

Registration deadline Friday 13th March.
For further information contact the MJHC secretary Sandra at sandratom@xtra.co.nz



TOMARATA RUGBY FOOTBALL
CLUB

JUNIOR RUGBY REGISTRATIONS

Friday 6 March 2015
4.30pm to 6.30pm

OR

Saturday 7 March 2015
10am - 12noon

Tomarata Club Rooms
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Contact: Edwina Came 021 1487402
johncame@ubernet.co.nz

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JUNIOR RUGBY REGISTRATION DAY

Sat 28th Feb, 10.30am
Kaiwaka Sports Complex

*Do you have a boy or girl interested in playing rugby?

*Under 7's, Under 9's, Under 11's & Under 13's

*Come along to Eastern United JMB's

Rally Day to find out more!

*Boot swap

*Fees can be paid on the day (optional) \$15 a child, \$20 a family

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