

# MANGAWHAI BEACH SCHOOL

# NEWSLETTER



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# Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2016

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## **PRINCIPAL'S SOAPBOX**

ākonga mo'ui hanga i te taa-pai- Life- long learners making a positive difference

**Welcome back everyone:** I hope you have had a great few weeks with your kids and they are all ready for another term of great learning at MBS. Welcome to our new families and students. We have a morning tea for new parents on Thursday May 19<sup>th</sup> at 10.00am. This is an informal time when you can have a cuppa in the staffroom with Aaron and me and we can answer any questions that you have and you can all meet each other. Any current parents who would like to meet the new ones and offer any support are more than welcome too.

**ANZAC Day:** Thank you to those who attended and represented the school at the ANZAC service at Hakaru, what a great job you all did. Thank you to Christine Bygrave who made our wreath for the house captains to lay during the service.

**Health and Safety:** It is a requirement that any visitor to the school report to the school office and sign in. If you are not wearing a VISITORS badge around the school do not be surprised if a staff member approaches you and asks you to explain who you are and why you are present on the school grounds. This is a health and safety requirement for ALL visitors to our school site. Also please note that in our Risk Management procedure, which is part of our Health and Safety policy it states:

**Others-** (Visitors, Students, Parents, etc)

- Take reasonable care of their own health and safety
- Take reasonable care that their acts are not a risk to the health and safety of others
- Take reasonable steps to eliminate risks when they are first identified
- Comply with any reasonable instruction in relation to risks given by the board.

This is in relation to being on the school grounds.

Thank you for taking note of this very important information. If you have any questions about the new health and safety legislation and its impact on schools please contact Aaron.

**World of Maths:** We have a visit from a Maths Road show in week 2, Wednesday May 11<sup>th</sup> and Thursday May 12<sup>th</sup>. The cost per student is \$5 please send this money to school in an envelope with your child's name and class and labelled Maths Roadshow before next week so that your child can attend.

**Board of Trustees:** You should all have received your parent nomination forms in the post by now. If you haven't you need to contact the school immediately as nominations need to be received by Friday 6<sup>th</sup> May.

**Intermediate Camp:** The intermediates are preparing for camp in week three, this is always a great experience for them, getting out of their comfort zone and trying new things alongside their peers. Parents please make sure you have paid for this or see your child's teacher otherwise.

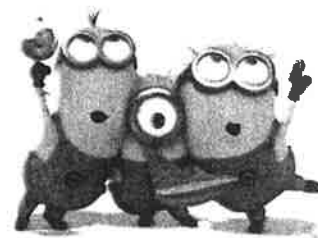
**Families in Need:** I saw on the news that the Salvation Army does their annual appeal this week. They were talking about the increase in numbers of people needing support. If you are struggling and are not sure where to get help from please come in and see us. We do want to support our families and it is hard to judge how our community is managing at times unless people come forward. If we find there is a need I am sure, as a school community, we can rally together to get food parcels or blankets and clothes for those who are experiencing tough times.

[obygrave@mangawhaibeach.school.nz](mailto:obygrave@mangawhaibeach.school.nz)

Paula Bygrave – Deputy Principal

We can't say **THANK YOU** enough to our local community who support us in a variety of ways. To the farmers and contractors who nominate us through Fuel for Schools and Cash for Communities, to the parents who pay their donations or draw down a mortgage at the bank and nominate the school for funds or prizes, to local retailers who donate prizes, products and food for our fundraising events. Without your support, we couldn't provide the service we do to our children's learning. Did you know that all nine of our Teacher Assistants are payed for through fundraising! The school does not receive money from the Ministry of Education for these wonderful ladies that support your child/children in class. Your continued financial support, is helping us to help your child become a **LIFE-LONG LEARNER MAKING A POSITIVE DIFFERENCE**. So again, thank you for your continued support of our fantastic school.

**THANK YOU YOUR SUPPORT!**



With the cooler weather approaching, here is some stats from our sick bay. Between the 17<sup>th</sup> of February and the 5<sup>th</sup> of April, we had no less than 297 students present at the sick bay. Of those 297 students, three had serious injuries that resulted in medical follow up from a professional. 17 students arrived at school not feeling well and were subsequently sent home, 11 students had 'rested' in the sickbay and went back to class and 19 children had out-of-school injuries redressed or attended too. If your child comes to the sick bay they will be assessed and the appropriate first aid given. Our staff do have basic first aid training but are not medical professionals but do give their best and ring an emergency contact if required. If your child says they don't feel well before you, you are the best judge as to whether to send them to school or not. If they are not well, we would prefer they stay home until they are fit to return.

**DO WE HAVE YOUR CORRECT ADDRESS TO MAIL VOTING PAPERS??**  
**If you don't stand for BOT, it is important that you vote!**

**ELECTION AND VOTING DATES FOR 2016 BOARD OF TRUSTEES NOMINEES**

- 20<sup>th</sup> April 2016 – Close main roll at noon
- 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2016 – Call for nominations for BOT positions
- 4<sup>th</sup> May 2016 – Close supplementary roll at noon
- 6<sup>th</sup> May 2016 – Nominations close at noon
- 11<sup>th</sup> May 2016 – Voting papers sent
- Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> May 2016 – Election Day**
- 20<sup>th</sup> May 2016 – Count votes
- 25<sup>th</sup> May 2016 – New BOT members take office

**Calendar Update:**

- 4<sup>th</sup> May – Technology at Rodney College Yr 7/8
- 9<sup>th</sup> May – BOT Meeting 6pm in the staffroom
- 9<sup>th</sup> May – Lit Quiz team compete in Kerikeri
- 11<sup>th</sup> May – Technology at Rodney College Yr 7/8
- 17<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup> May Yr 7/8 Camp – Hunua
- 26<sup>th</sup> May – Tsunami Drill 10am
- 27<sup>th</sup> May – Assembly @ 1:45pm, all welcome

**2016 MBS TERM DATES**

- 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

# GENERAL HOUSEKEEPING

**MOVED HOUSE DURING THE HOLIDAYS?** Please advise the school office of your new contact details so we can get hold of you in an emergency situation.



**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.

**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 is happening.

**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.

**School Buses.** Buses are provided to take children to and from their home. It is imperative that the school keeps a 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.



**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.

## Thursday Lunch/Snack Tuck Shop Menu

Name: .....

Room: .....

### Brain break/morning tea box (orders in by Wednesday)

Tick

- 1) Fruit, muffin, popcorn (muffins are home-made with no preservative and less sugar, popcorn is home-made with just olive oil and salt) \$3
- 2) Carrot sticks with hummus, muffin, popcorn (hummus is home-made with no preservative) \$3

### Lunch Menu options (Orders in by Thursday)

Tick

- 1) Mixed sushi (sushi is made on the day with home-made sushi vinegar) \$4 or \$6
- 2) Preservative-free pies from (mince + cheese) \$4.50
- 3) Nice Blocks (apple/mango, orange/tangelo, chocolate, lemonade, vanilla, raspberry, feijoa, cola) \$3   
(flavors dependent on availability) Nice blocks products are organic and dairy free with no refined sugar added
- 4) Less sugar mini brownie (\$1.50 or \$3)

**Note: Please place your order at the office by Wednesday for brain break/morning tea box and by Thursday for lunch with Pit (021 988715 or**

**[pcha@am@gmail.com](mailto:pcha@am@gmail.com)) Check lunch special announcement on [www.facebook.com/pitkitchen](http://www.facebook.com/pitkitchen) or on school Facebook page**

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