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NEWSLETTER



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PRINCIPAL'S SOAPBOX

Welcome to Week 3 of term 3. It was great to see so many of you attend the student led conferences. This is a fabulous way to support your child with their learning and show them that you care about their schooling and are interested in what they do all day. If you feel that it has raised questions for you about your child's learning then please make a time with your child's teacher to discuss your concerns or questions. This is really important as we are half way through the schooling year and there is time to make a difference or implement different strategies if need be. We have a busy week – BOOK WEEK - which will end on Friday with our book character parade, you are all welcome to come to school on Friday morning to watch the parade of children in their costumes.

New Parent Meeting: This week on Thursday 11th August we are holding our new parent meeting. It is at 10.00am in the school staffroom. All new parents are welcome and any current parents who would like to offer support to our new parents. Come along and have an informal chat with Aaron and I, we are here to answer any questions, listen to suggestions and clarify any concerns you have. It is also a great opportunity for you to make some connections with other new families to Mangawhai.

Dyslexia: An extract from The New Zealand Dyslexia Handbook, By Tom Nicholson and Susan Dymock, which I thought might be of interest to you all.

Parents can identify tell-tale signs very early on that a child is at risk of dyslexia, especially if they seem like a regularly developing child but are close to starting school with little or no alphabet knowledge or phonemic awareness. Parents can take action. Much research suggests that teaching phonemic awareness at home and the letter-sounds of the alphabet before children start school can reduce the risk of them falling behind in reading. In this new digital age, families can also source apps that build alphabet and phonemic knowledge (e.g., Profs' Phonics, which is a nice little app to teach letter sounds). Parents can still read books to their children but we suggest include attention to letters and sounds when reading. A suggestion is to read books that directly promote phonemic awareness and letter knowledge such as books with rhymes and alliteration and ABC books. For example: Quentin Blake's ABC or Dr Seuss's ABC. Phonemic awareness books include: Each Peach, Pear, Plum, Hairy Maclary from Donaldson's Dairy, The Cat in the Hat, Don't Forget the Bacon, and How Many Trucks can a Tow Truck Tow?



Hui:

Tena Koutou

A hui has been organised for Thursday 11th of August 2016. This will begin with a karakia at 5:30pm and will take place in Room 14. The aim of this hui is to share our vision around Maori learning achievement, teaching of Te Reo and Tikanga Maori and also to collect whanau voice about how best to support our tamariki maori. A light hakari will be provided - We would really value your ideas and tautoko around best supporting our Maori learners, whanau and community.

Any questions please contact nrogers@mangawhaibeach.school.nz

Position Available:

We have a Teacher Aide position available due to Vanessa resigning because her baby is due soon. This position is a fixed term, part time position. The hours are 9.00 to 1.00pm Monday to Thursday. The hourly rate is \$16.42. The position involves working in the Junior classrooms under the guidance of the Junior classroom teachers. There will be training given on the job.

The successful applicant will be a positive role model, able to work in a team environment, show initiative and have excellent communication skills with adults and children. If this sounds like you please submit your CV and contact details of two referees to me at pbygrave@mangawhaibeach.school.nz. If you have any questions with regards to the position please feel free to phone or email me. The applications close on Monday 15th August at 3pm.

Visiting Author Stu Duvall. Tuesday 9th August & Wednesday 10th August we will be visited by renowned storyteller and artist Stu Duvall. Stu is consistently rated as one of New Zealand's best live story performers and weaves his original tales into a one-hour-one-man show, creating endearing characters full of passion, pathos and side-splitting humour. **Cost for this show is \$4.50 per student** and we request that money is sent to the school in an envelope or plastic bag with the child's name and room number written on the outside. With over 400 transactions to receipt, we require payment before the event and not on the day. You may also pay electronically into the school bank account: ASB Wellsford 12-3094-0106669-01. Use your child's name as a reference. Thank you for your co-operation.



Book Character Parade Friday 12th August. Come dressed as your favourite book character for our parade to be held at 9:15am. Prizes will be given for best dressed characters. Everybody is welcome to join in the celebrations to conclude Book Week.

Orange Cones: During winter months our grass areas can quickly get muddy. Geoff Finlay, our caretaker, does a great job of keeping our school grounds in top condition. We have a cone system at school so that if an orange cone is placed on the grass it means that we need to keep off the grass. It would be fabulous if you could also follow and model this for us. If you see an orange cone on the grass area please use the concrete pathways around the school. If you are using the school facilities after school we would ask that you also take note of the cones.

Police Vetting: If you would like to be a person we call upon to help with class/syndicate trips, coaching and camps please call into the office to collect a Police Vetting form to fill in. Once you have filled this in and have the necessary ID you can bring it into the school office and we can begin the Police Vetting process. Police vets are valid for three years so we will keep your name on a register at school so we can call upon you when we need assistance.

pbygrave@mangawhaibeach.school.nz
Paula Bygrave – Deputy Principal

Students from our Science/Enviro group need two litre empty milk bottle containers for a Fair Go Project. Could you please bring in any empty plastic bottles that you have (with lids), by the 18th of August. Thank you.

Thank you everyone who has come along to the dental clinic for a check up. We are making our way through the school roll. Please remember to phone or txt us if you cannot make an appointment - we can easily reschedule an appointment if the time is not convenient. We have lots of children to see and don't want to waste any time on missed appointments. Our phone number is 021450062. It has been great meeting the local families. Everyone has been very friendly and welcoming. Karen and Kelly



PUBLIC HEALTH NEWS!

Skin Infections & Sore Throats

Skin Infections, such as scabies and Impetigo (school sores) are common problems in school children. Public Health Nurses are able to assess children and treat uncomplicated skin infections and sore throats in school age children.

Strep A throat infections can cause Rheumatic Fever. A simple throat swab is all that is required and if positive then Antibiotics 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

<p><u>Calendar Update:</u></p> <p>8th Aug – Book Week 9th Aug – Stu Duvall visiting Author \$4.50 10th Aug – Stu Duvall visiting Author \$4.50 10th Aug – Technology @ Rodney College Yr 7/8 11th Aug – New parent meeting (Staffroom) 10am 11th Aug – Otamatea High School Open Day Yr 8's 11th Aug – Maori Hui 5:30pm 12th Aug – Book Character Parade 9:15am 16th Aug – Rodney College Presentation for Yr 8's</p> <p><u>2016 MBS TERM DATES</u> Term3: Mon 25 Jul – Fri 23 Sep Term4: Mon 10 Oct – Fri 16 Dec</p>	<p><u>School Break Times</u></p> <p>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</p> <p><u>Assembly days:</u> 12:45pm Lunch 1:30pm Assembly</p>
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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 or text the school mobile 0223957708. *YOU MUST CONTACT THE SCHOOL EACH DAY YOUR CHILD IS AWAY.*

Spare Uniform. During the winter months, parents are asked to leave a change of uniform in their child's bag just in case they get wet on the way to or at school. The office no longer has spares available to lend so if a child is wet from the rain, and there is no change of clothes provided, parents will be rung to bring a dry set to school.

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 – this is a health and safety requirement.

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.

School Buses. Buses are provided to take children to and from their home. With 287 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.



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

Agricultural & Gala Day

Saturday 22 October 2016

Time to spring clean!

We need plates for plate smash, yard Goods, bric a brac, books, clothes, toys, plastic bags, ice-creams containers, plastic jars.

Please bring one bag of lollies for Lolly Square game
Seedling plants for those with green fingers

**** Calf and lamb registrations available at the office ****

Pets for petting corner – chickens/rabbits/goats – sorry no dogs

Any donations of goods or services for prizes would be greatly received

Please drop off at school office or call Mariska on 021 686 574 if needs collecting

Think about ideas for the family bucket

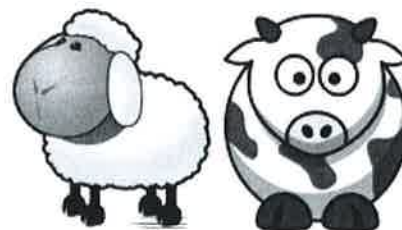
HELPERS NEEDED – PLEASE LEAVE YOUR NAME AND NUMBER WITH THE SCHOOL OFFICE

Yes it is that time of year again! Time for you to be thinking about calves and lambs for Ag Day.

****Calves need to be born between 1st Jul – 31st Aug.***

****Lambs need to be born between 1st Jul – 20th Sep.***

Call Sandra Brunt on 431-3371 for more information





MANGAWHAI BEACH SCHOOL FUNDRAISER



Golfers and
Non-Golfers
Welcome!

SAVE THE DATE

SUNDAY 18 SEPTEMBER 2016

Awesome Ambrose Competition

\$40 per individual or \$220 per team of six

Book at the Golf Shop

(ph 431-4807 ext 1, or email golfshop@mangawhaigolf.co.nz)

10am shot gun start - sharing of clubs permitted

Hole Sponsorship Available: Contact Mariska on 021-686-574

Mangawhai Beach School Agricultural / Gala Day Fundraiser

"What's it all About"??

Our Agricultural / Gala Day is held on the Saturday of Labour Weekend each year between 9am – 2pm. This is our school's major fundraiser which raises much needed funds for our school community.

The event has been running for over 10 years now and continues to be a calendar favourite with local families and holidaymakers looking forward to the annual event.

Labour Weekend is a busy one with Mangawhai swelling with holiday makers in the lead up to summer and anywhere upwards of 2,000 people come along to this event annually.

For the Gala section we organise fun rides and stalls, quick fire raffles, yummy food and entertainment and then during the morning we also showcase our agricultural traditions with children raising lambs and calves to showcase on the day. Animals are judged on the day and ribbons and prizes are given out to the best of the best.

Our fundraising committee F O M B S (Friends of Mangawhai Beach School) are a committed group of volunteer parents who dedicate their time to fundraising for our school. They organise and liaise with the school and local community to make Ag Day successful.

There are lots of ways you and your family can be involved on the day and also the lead up to the event. You and a group of friends could volunteer your time, as there are many areas we need assistance with and the more people who get involved the more successful our family fun event is. You can register your interest with the office and then speak to a FOMBS member to see where you are able to help out. On top of that we are looking for people who would like to lead a particular activity.

- **Are you a great organiser?**
- **Are you great at sourcing donated goods for raffles, auctions and prizes?**
- **Have you got experience with advertising on radio, newspapers etc?**
- **Do you not mind asking for money or are a good bucket shaker?**
- **Do you love calves and lambs?**
- **Have you got a creative or artistic streak?**
- **Do you have a love of clothing, books, or second hand goods?**
- **Can you help with collecting things or know how to back a trailer?**
- **Do you love baking and making lollies and fudge or like working with Food?**
- **Do you love gardening and growing plants?**

Some of the things you as families of the school will be asked to donate/contribute towards are:

- **Lolly Bags (one per family) used for prizes and games**
- **Bucket of Goodies (one per family/bucket provided) for the Quick Fire Raffle**
- **Bake a Cake (one per family) for sale at our Cake Stall**
- **Donations of good quality items for our Bric a Brac, Toys, Yard Sale and Book Stalls.**

During the event lead up, teachers also organise fun activities for the children to participate in at school and home. Previously, we have held Kumara plant growing competitions, vege animal displays, grass heads, art sculptures and art work auctions.

Funds that Ag Day raises have been used for a variety of things around the school over the years, some of which are supporting teacher aides, new classrooms, new playground equipment, gazebos, tiger turf, shade sails, class resources, to name a few. All of these benefit our children and make our school a great place to learn and grow, for now and into the future.

Ag Day will continue to be successful, but only with the help and support of our local school families. We greatly appreciate all the assistance we receive for our fundraisers. As Mangawhai Beach School continues to grow, funding will remain an important ongoing focus.

*This is a whole school event, and something the whole community looks forward to. We value your continued support for all of our fundraising initiatives. Thanks from **FOMBS***

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Yogawave Yoga

Tuesday, Domain Hall 6-7:30pm
Gentle- Restorative Yoga

Wednesday, Senior Citizens Hall Fagan
Place 9-10:30. Energising Flow Yoga

Friday, Domain Hall 9-10:30
Gentle Morning Yoga

\$10 Casual / \$70 per Term
Contact: beks@yogawave.co.nz
01202351690



CauseWay Church Holiday Programme 2016 3 DAY EVENT

Mon 3 Oct ~ Tue 4 Oct ~ Wed 5 Oct
Venue: Mangawhai Recreational Hall
Time: 10.00am – 3.00pm
Children in School Years 1 – 6
(Free/Donations Welcome)

For Details & Registration Forms:
Email: jan@causewaychurch.org.nz
Subject Line: Holiday Club
RSVP: By Sunday 25 September
Contact: Jan Chambers 431 5857

RODNEY COLLEGE FUNDRAISER

OLYMPIC QUIZ NIGHT

WHO WILL WIN...
Teachers?
Students?
Parents?
Family? Friends?
Maturity? Youth?

Friday 12th August
Rodney College Hall
7pm
BYO Nibbles & Drinks
\$10 per person
6 per Team
Supper provided

Tickets from...
The College
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A promotional poster for an "OLYMPIC QUIZ NIGHT" fundraiser at Rodney College. It features the Olympic rings logo, a large question mark, and text detailing the event date (Friday 12th August), location (Rodney College Hall), time (7pm), and ticket information (\$10 per person, 6 per team, supper provided). It also lists potential quiz categories like Teachers, Students, Parents, etc.

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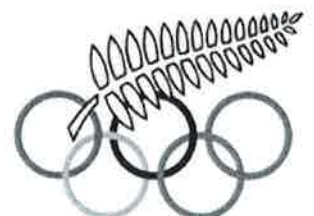
ANZ Warkworth Branches Helping Mangawhai Beach School.

ANZ has developed the ANZ Olympic Schools Programme with the New Zealand Olympic Committee to inspire and motivate New Zealand's youth, through the magic and celebration of the Olympic Games.

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 Mobile Mortgage Manager 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 Mobile Mortgage Managers Charlene Morrison on 027 2090329 or Mark Loheni on 027 482 4234.



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