



# MBS Update

19<sup>th</sup> October 2015

**10 more helpers required for Ag Day, please leave your name at the office or contact Denise Stuart 09-431-4023**

**NO TUCK SHOP LUNCHES ON THURSDAY DUE TO AG DAY PREPARATIONS**

Wow, what a busy first week we had. I enrolled 10 new students and our total school roll is now sitting at 379 students. I think we will be asking the Ministry to build more classrooms again next year so watch this space!

**Mangawhai's Got Talent:** Congratulations to all our talented students who performed at Mangawhai's Got Talent on Wednesday and thank you to those parents who attended and supported the students. We have got some very talented singers, musicians, dancers and entertainers at our school and it is great to be able to showcase their talents. We look forward to the place getters performing for the wider community on Ag Day. Thank you to Lance Coker and Jack Noser who organised and ran the competition. Thank you to our judges Mr Ben Bradley and Mr David Glover.

Congratulations to all our contestants, the results were:

Yr3/4 Syndicate: 1<sup>st</sup> Sophie Lambert and Lexi Grant, 2<sup>nd</sup> Sarah Pow, 3<sup>rd</sup> Hamish Strong

Yr 5/6 Syndicate 1<sup>st</sup> Hannah Fisher, 2<sup>nd</sup> Olivia Platt, 3<sup>rd</sup> Lilly Vaughan

Yr7/8 Syndicate 1<sup>st</sup> Michaela Pow, 2<sup>nd</sup> Drew Crosbie, 3<sup>rd</sup> Xarie Manwaring and Polly Games

**Kiwi News:** I heard from Maranui conservation group that they are heading up into the bush to put a camera on Oscars nest! This means that we could actually get footage of Oscar and his egg and it all hatching! I think we must be the luckiest school in NZ to be involved with kiwis in this way. As October is national Kiwi for Kiwis month we will be having a mufti day on October 29<sup>th</sup> to raise money for the 'Save the Kiwi' operations. This will be a \$2 donation.

**Scarecrow** making is happening on Wednesday please send in any items that you feel would be suitable for this and let your child's teacher know if you will be in to help out.

**Calendar Art:** There seems to be some confusion, sorry about that. To order your child's art as a calendar or diary you need to come into the office, fill in an order form and pay for it. If you want to use a photo then you need to go to the website, information of which has been given in previous newsletters, and follow the instructions. If you are unsure about any of this please phone the office and Vicky, Shay or Lynette will help you.

**Head Lice:** It appears some children have returned to school with head lice. This is very disappointing as we did ask that everyone check their children and treat them over the holiday break if necessary. If you find eggs you actually need to sit your child in front of you and pull them off the hair shafts with your fingers. This is time consuming but it is the best way to get rid of them. The shampoo and comb will get rid of the head lice but the eggs will continue to hatch and they need to be removed. If live head lice are seen on your child's head you will be asked to come and get them and treat them before they will be allowed back to school. We will check their hair on their return. If you have any problems with this please talk to me or I can ask the public health nurse to help you.

I have three girls and have had to deal with head lice so I do know what you are going through if you need help please ask, the head lice will not go away by themselves. We must all be vigilant for our children's health and the well-being of others. Please make sure your child's hair is tied up if it is long, this applies to girls and boys. Thank you for your time with this health concern.

**Cricket lessons** started last week on Thursday and run every Thursday for 4 weeks. There are three cricket coaches who come from Northland Cricket Association and do the lessons for free. Thank you to Jaimee Brown for organising this for our kids.

A reminder that after Labour weekend we expect all children to wear a school hat at break times and during PE Lessons: You can purchase these from the school office. You will notice in the next few weeks the shade sails go up over the Junior Playground at the front of the school. This will be great for our kids with the weather heating up.



Lastly I just wanted to clarify after school responsibilities. If your child walks or bikes to school they are your responsibility until they enter the school grounds. At the end of the school day the teachers will cross them over Insley Street and The Anchorage but then they are your responsibility. We do not have a walking bus. We would ask that you encourage your child to walk straight home and not hang around the shops or climb the trees in the village.

Please contact your child's teacher if you have any questions about the term or events which are coming up. I am also available by phoning the office or you can email: [pbygrave@mangawhaibeach.school.nz](mailto:pbygrave@mangawhaibeach.school.nz)  
*Paula Bygrave*

### **Ag Day Asks:**

1. If you could please return your bucket filled with goodies to the office this week that would be much appreciated.
2. If anyone has any plants they could donate for us to sell we would love to receive those.
3. We are also in need of gazebo's to borrow and it would be great to have these on Friday so they can be put up before the day- weather permitting.
4. If anyone has any quiet pets (sorry no dogs) suitable for the petting corner could they contact the school office please. At this stage we only have one goat.
5. Your child will come home with a plate. If you can return this on Friday or Saturday morning with some baking or produce for us to sell that would be very much appreciated.
6. Calf and Lamb registrations are still being accepted at the office.

Thank you to everyone who has brought in goods to sell, books, clothes etc. and given time in the weekends to sort all the things. We really appreciate your time and efforts.

A newsletter will be coming home this week to confirm what time and what activity you will be helping with if you have volunteered on Friday or Saturday.