

MANGAWHAI BEACH SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER



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Principal's Soapbox

WEDNESDAY 27TH OF MARCH SCHOOL CLOSSES AT 12:30PM SO TEACHERS CAN ATTEND A UNION MEETING.

It was great to see the news reporting about the new private secondary school that will be starting in 2025. Hopefully, this will give the Ministry of Education a wake up call about the need for a public secondary school in Mangawhai. As our primary school roll continues to increase, currently sitting at around 630 students, this need is becoming greater. We are currently in the process of our design stage for our next round of classrooms which will also start in 2025, so the growth continues.

We had some great weather last week which saw our Middle Syndicate hit the water for some kayaking days. It is great to get our students into an activity that they probably haven't tried before and even better when we can do it in our own backyard. Thanks to everybody who helped with kayaking.

Over 80 students took part in our competitive swimming competition at Rodney College last Wednesday. This event was well supported by parents and helpers and it was another great day. Thanks to Heather for her organisation of the day and also to Rodney College for allowing us to use their facilities.

We have noticed an increase in litter around the school grounds, in particular coffee cups. We would appreciate rubbish being taken home or put in a bin not discarded on the ground for somebody else to pick up. We encourage everybody onsite to be a 'tidy kiwi', respect our environment and pick up and/or take away their rubbish.

Please leave your fur babies on the footpath. As much as we love our animals, dogs are not permitted on school grounds.

A huge shout out to the parents who are supporting us with our Behaviour Processes and with the Communication Process. When these are followed we see great shifts for our students. The home-school relationship is essential for:

- Improved student outcomes - both academically and socially. This brings huge changes for student engagement and feelings of confidence and competence - their aspirations shift
- Modelling positive interactions home to school and school to home. Not all of us have had positive school experiences, let's show your children that theirs can be - share your story so we understand.



IMPORTANT DATES:

6th Mar - Yr 6 Beach clean up trip

8th Mar - Senior Cross Country

8th Mar - Jnr Assembly 9:30am

13th Mar - Grip Student Leader Conference

13th Mar - Yr 6 Kawau trip

13th Mar - Yr 7/8 technology @ Rodney College

15th Mar - Junior assembly 9:15am

15th Mar - Middle assembly 1:45pm

16th Mar - Taylor Swift The Era Tour Movie fundraiser.

18th Mar - BoT Meeting 6:30pm

21st Mar - Cricket fun day
Wellsford Yr 3/4 - Yr 5/6

21st Mar - New parent meeting 9:30am

22nd Mar - Senior athletics 9:15am

26th Mar - Middle athletics Yr 4/5

27th Mar - Union meeting for teaching staff (half day)

28th Mar - Yr 3 athletics

**29th Mar - Good Friday
1st Apr - Easter Monday
2nd Apr - Easter Tuesday
(school closed)**

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- Consistency with messages and expectations. When we are all on the same page your child will feel supported on all levels. This connection motivates children to be the best they can be. We have shared goals and expectations, very powerful!
- Support for families which is not just linked to behaviour, help with food parcels/assessments and much more is available when we know you need help. This social support allows your child to feel valued and able to attend school feeling safe.

The reminders we would like to share are:

- Our teachers are not available 24/7 for messages and emails. Please keep these to business hours of 8am to 4pm. If you do message outside please use email or Hero only so they are not disturbed during their family time, do not use the teacher's personal phones or social media.

DAILY TIMETABLE

8.55am-10:30am (Block 1)
10:30am-11:00am (Interval)
11:00am-12:30pm (Block 2)
12:30pm-1:15pm (Lunch)
1:15pm-2:45pm (Block 3)

2024 Term Dates:

1st Feb - 12th Apr
29th Apr - 5th Jul
22nd Jul - 27th Sep
14th Oct - 18th Dec

If you need to meet with a teacher please contact them and make an appointment - whilst all our teachers are in class from 8.30am they are busy building relationships with their students and the students with each other.

Please see our Positive Communications Procedure below as a reminder for problem-solving.

In addition, our events posts on Facebook are for your information. We try to ensure that everyone knows what is happening via Facebook, Hero, school calendar and our newsletter. When we post on FB we kindly request that you do not make it a political forum for your own personal thoughts. Unfortunately we cannot turn notifications off on events we post. If you have comments or questions please follow the Positive Communication Process (below). We are happy to explain and answer your questions.

We will be having a bit of a change around in terms two and three as I take some time off for a sabbatical and study leave. During my absence, Emma Grieve will be stepping up into the role of Principal and Sharee McKenzie will be stepping up into the Deputy Principal role. I am sure you will all support the staff in their temporary placements while I am away. Aaron Kemp, Principal.

If you would like to help on class trips this year, you will need to be police vetted to do so. Forms are available from the school office to complete and we will need to sight and photocopy two forms of ID. One of your ID's needs to be a photo ID. The cost of processing is \$10 and your police check, once approved, is valid for three years.

PLEASE NOTE THAT UNIFORM SALES AT THE OFFICE ARE ONLY ON WEDNESDAY'S. IF YOU DON'T NEED TO TRY ON YOU CAN ORDER THROUGH KINDO ANY TIME AND WE WILL SEND THE ORDER HOME WITH THE CHILDREN.

Aaron Kemp/Emma Grieve
Principal/Deputy Principal

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MBS POSITIVE

Communication Procedure

At MBS we **creatively** solve problems and **resilience** by bouncing back quickly. We aim for **excellence** in our communication whilst showing the utmost **whakaute** to those we are communicating with.

We aim to ensure that all voices are heard and that positive and proactive actions are taken promptly.

Our CREW Values, PB4L Framework, and the complaints procedure underpin this procedure. We value communication before complaints.



**TALK TO YOUR
CLASS TEACHER**

9 times out of 10 your class teacher can allay your concerns quickly. Talk through any challenges with your teacher **FIRST**, who generally can share a bigger picture with you. Please email or message via Hero to arrange a meeting to talk about your worries. Don't forget we have an open-door policy, but we ask you to be mindful of the time, place and tone when talking to our teachers.



**CONTACT YOUR
YEAR LEVEL LEADER**

Occasionally your challenge has not been resolved at the classroom level. If you feel your voice has not been heard, or things have not changed after some time, your next step is to communicate with the Year Level Leader. Please email or message via Hero to arrange a face to face or phone meeting, don't forget to write your thoughts down ready for the meeting.



**YOUR TEAM LEADER
IS NEXT**

If your concerns have still not been resolved make an appointment with your Team Leader. Please ensure you have followed steps 1 and 2 before making the appointment. Bring along your notes and ensure you have given the Team Leader as much detail as possible prior to the meeting so solutions can be found swiftly.



**DEPUTY
PRINCIPAL**

Our Deputy Principal is your next port of call. She will ask for a face-to-face meeting with you and all parties required after listening to your concerns. Our DP will mediate between you and the classroom teacher. Please know that we follow our PB4L Framework and CREW Values. Once again ensure that steps 1-3 have been followed first- we will redirect you to them if they have not.



**THE
PRINCIPAL**

We rarely get to this stage. If you are still feeling unheard and needing support please email the Principal clearly outlining your concerns and desired outcome. Give him as much information as you can. Allow time for investigations to happen. He will review all meeting notes and talk to all involved to decide on the next steps.



**THE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

All further complaints must be made in writing and addressed to the Board of Trustees of Mangawhai Beach School. The complaint will be discussed at the next available Board Meeting.

Concerns are addressed by the above process - complaints must be made in writing to the Deputy Principal or Principal.

Ministry of Education

Last but by no means least - approach the Ministry of Education who will work with the school to work through your complaint.

Mangawhai Beach School's Uniform Regulations

Students are expected to take pride in and respect their uniform. Our students must wear their school uniform when travelling to and from school as well as at school. Sports Uniforms are provided for Team events however house colours are to be worn for school events. Our uniform regulations are a part of our Positive Behaviour Policy. Those who choose to ignore our regulations will be taken through our processes.

All uniform items must be clearly named.

When your hair hits your shoulders -
tie it up (boys and girls)



Black shoes

YO-Y6
wear fleece jackets



Shoes must be more
black than white

Black socks
or tights

Bare feet
are great too



Plain and simple blue
or black ties, clips and
bands.

Natural hair colour

(no beading or
coloured thread)



Black skivvies
can be worn
under t-shirts
No branding



House Shirts for school events.

Y7/8

Have a separate
jacket and shirt.
All other rules apply!



Beanie for winter

Caps and bucket hats for summer



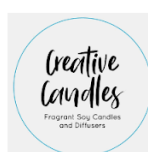
Studs or sleepers only for
earrings



NO makeup!

Muftiday expectations: no crop tops, no short shorts,
can't see up it, down it or through it!
No hair colours.

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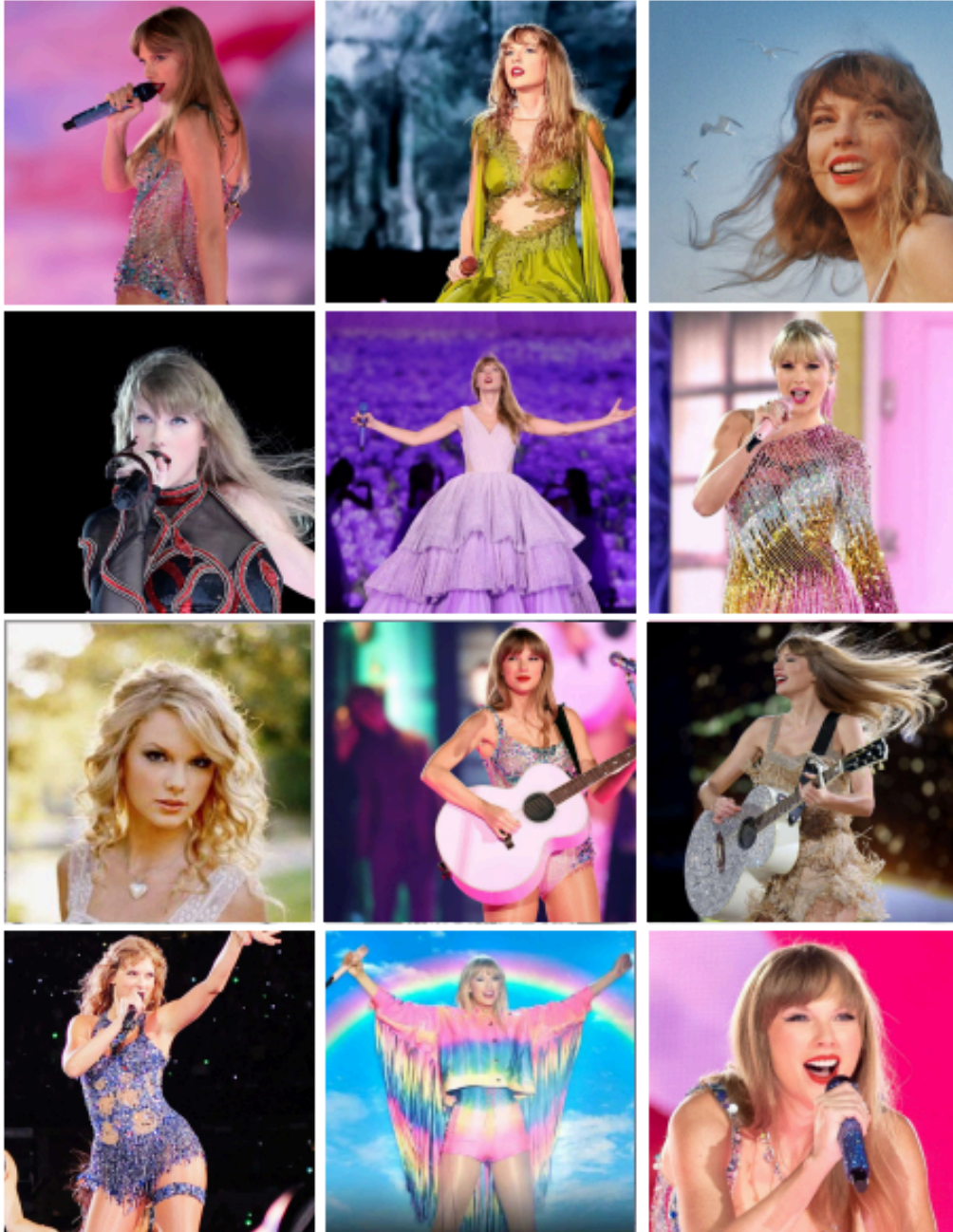
Early Closure Notification

Wednesday 27th March
Buses will run at
12.30pm

**There will be a skeleton staff of non-union members
on site for students who cannot be cared for
elsewhere.**

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FOMBS PRESENTS



TAYLOR SWIFT THE ERAS TOUR MOVIE

SATURDAY | MARCH 16 | DOORS OPEN 3:30 PM | MOVIE STARTS AT 4 PM

MBS GYM | KOHA ENTRY | BRING YOUR DANCING SHOES | A PICNIC & SOMETHING TO SIT ON IF YOU WISH

FRIENDSHIP BRACELETS, MOVIE TREATS & SOFT DRINKS AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE

ALL CHILDREN (ANY AGE) AND ADULTS WELCOME BUT IF UNDER 13 MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY AN ADULT DUE TO RATING

PG - R13 RATING (OFFENSIVE LANGUAGE) | MOVIE RUNNING TIME OF 2:49 HR

PRIZES FOR BEST DRESSED | BRING YOUR BEST SWIFTEY OUTFIT!

OTHER ACTIVITIES INCLUDE | FACE PAINTING, NAIL ART, COLOURING-IN TABLE, PHOTO BOOTH

ALL WELCOME! WE CANT WAIT! SEE YOU THERE!

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COMMUNITY NOTICES



OSCAR approved
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BEFORE/AFTER SCHOOL, AND HOLIDAY PROGRAMMES.

Location: At MBS, upstairs in recreation centre.
Availability: Every school day.

**AFTERNOON TEA, HOMEWORK COMPLETED,
THEN ACTIVITIES &/OR FREE PLAY.**

For further information please contact Anita on
021 330 191 or at anita@royalgoverness.com



FREE COMPOST WORKSHOP & 8 WEEKS OF SUPPORT

MANGAWHAI

**SAT 23RD MARCH 2024
10AM-12PM**

Transform food scraps & green waste into beautiful compost and feed your garden!

We will look at:

- the basics of composting,
- worm farming
- bokashi
- how to DIY your own compost.

Participants that undertake a simple audit of their home waste will qualify for 75% discount on a compost system of their choosing!

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Enquiries: phone Steph: 021 0274 2331
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www.sustainablekaipara.org



COMMUNITY FUNDRAISING EVENT

Top of the Rock

SUNDAY 17th MARCH 2024

'Kaiwaka's Annual Multisport Event is back!'

Choose either the 5km or 10km fun run/walk with fantastic views of our beautiful local whenua!



**FAMILY FUN DAY • KIDS BIKE RACE
SPOT PRIZES • RAFFLES • STALLS**

- See the Top of the Rock Facebook page for more information -

REGISTER NOW!

Entry forms are available online at kaiwakasport.co.nz
or pick one up at Kaiwaka Four Square

Prizegiving and entertainment will be held at the Kaiwaka Sports Complex following the event.

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