

Mangawhai Beach School

NEWSLETTER



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Principal's Soapbox

21ST NOVEMBER - TEACHER ONLY DAY

We're counting down the final weeks of the term! We have a busy schedule ahead, full of exciting Education Outside the Classroom (EOTC) events and various sporting activities.

We are especially excited to share the fantastic results from our recently completed Progressive Achievement Tests (PATs). Our students performed exceptionally well, especially considering these assessments are now aligned with the new curriculum, which has higher expectations for achievement.

Here is a snapshot of our success:

- Reading Comprehension: 78% of our children are achieving at or above the expected level in the New Zealand Curriculum.
- Mathematics: 85% of our children are achieving at or above the expected level in the New Zealand Curriculum.
- Writing (Years 5-8): Our students achieved results all above the national mean! This is a tremendous result, as this was the first time our students have completed this specific new assessment.

These results are a powerful testament to the hard work of our students and teachers in adapting to the new curriculum standards. Congratulations to everyone on these amazing achievements!

Join us for our upcoming Fun Run fundraiser on Wednesday, December 10th!

This isn't just a fun event; it's a critical step in fulfilling a goal that was strongly supported by our community during the school revisioning held last term: establishing a defined program, dedicated staff, and a physical space focused on promoting student wellbeing, mental health, and belonging.

Our Goal and Progress

We are raising funds to actively support the holistic needs of all our students.

- Target: \$30,000
- Raised So Far: \$9,000

We need your help to close the gap!



IMPORTANT DATES:

4th Nov - Yr 5+6, 7 Rugby Whangarei

4th Nov - Hinetore Picnic

5th Nov - Rm 4 Kayaking

6th Nov - Athletics Finals Day

6th Nov - Rm 12 Pond trip

7th Nov - Gumboot Day - gold coin donation

10th Nov - Yr 6 Kayaking

12th Nov - Yr 5 sailing

12th Nov - Water Safety Northland Yr0-3

13th Nov - Rm16 Pond Trip

14th Nov - Junior Athletics

14th Nov - Yr 5 Sailing

17th Nov - Rm 1 + 3 Poor Knights diving

18th Nov - Yr 4 day camp

18th Nov - New Entrant parent Meet the Principal

19th Nov - Rm 4 Kayaking

21st Nov - Teacher Only Day/CRT (school closed)

The Day's Plan

All syndicates will participate in a one-hour run to raise money and have a blast! Students will be running through water, colour, and various obstacle courses—it's sure to be a fun, messy day!

Fundraising forms have already been sent home. We are asking that each child try to raise at least \$10 toward the day. The more we raise, the more funds we can dedicate to our essential wellbeing initiatives for our students.

Your participation helps us turn community consensus into concrete action. Let's run together to build a stronger support system for every student!

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)

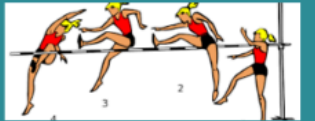
2025 Term Dates:

4th Feb - 11th Apr
28th Apr - 27th Jun
14th Jul - 19th Sep
6th Oct - 18th Dec

NEW COVER: We are very pleased to announce that repairs to the structure and replacement turf court cover is starting this week. This means that the turf will be closed for use from now until the end of January 2026 but will be reopened for Term One (hopefully). We will be very pleased to have this asset returned to full functionality.

NEW TURF: Starting in January 2026 we have planned to replace the grass area around the big tree outside the senior block classrooms. The grass has become sparse and the ground bare and prone to flooding in places due to high foot traffic so we are replacing this with artificial grass which will include some squares for the ever popular break time games.

Nga mihi nui
Aaron Kemp/Emma Grieve
Principal/Deputy Principal



THURSDAY 6 NOV STARTING AT 9AM.

MBS ATHLETICS FINALS DAY

Since the start of this term each year group from year 3-8 has been having learning, practicing, and competing in all the different athletics events. On Thursday, the 6th Nov we will have a day of finals for the year 3-8 finalists. You are welcome to come along and support the students who are competing.

Why are we doing it like this?

- To have consistency in how each event is run & judged.
- To ensure there is enough adult support to run events and supervise students.
- To reduce the waiting times at each event.
- To reduce the behaviour and anxiety issues that arise from those students who do not enjoy competitive athletics.
- To free up the fields and outdoor space for the entire school. Only 1 day rather than 6 full days of use.

Next FOMBS Meeting: Tuesday, 11th November - 7pm. All are welcome :)

PRE-LOVED POP-UP

Our pre-loved fashion pop-up evening is coming up on Friday, 28th November where you can grab a bag full of clothes for \$20. We'll be accepting adult clothing donations during the week of 24th November, so

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now's a great time to start that wardrobe clear-out ready for a refresh. We'll also be collecting brown paper grocery bags with handles so please hold onto these for drop-off at the same time.



A BIG SHOUT OUT TO HIREWORKS who are sign sponsors on our car park fence. Hireworks have an extensive range of equipment for major commercial projects right through to home handyman jobs and they are constantly investing in new equipment to meet the rapid needs of the community. Thank you to the team at Hireworks for supporting our school.

Mangawhai Beach School Speech Competition 2025

Finalists

PLACE	Name	Year	Speech Title
3rd	Lexi Cameron	4	Why Sloths Would Make The Best Teachers
2nd	Freya Wilson	4	Why We Need Nature To Survive
1st	Indiana Loe	4	Why Teachers Should Get Paid More
2nd	Faith Paul	5	Why Speeches Shouldn't Be Judged
1st	Lucy Clark	5	Why Dads Spend So Much Time On The Toilet
3rd	Leo Whitaker	5	Why Bottom Trawling Should Be Banned
1st	Rafe McGregor	6	Horses
3rd	Huia Davis	6	The Dawn Raids
2nd	Daisy Sax	6	The Pros and Cons When Making Your Bed
3rd	Lily-Mae Holtzhausen	7	Safety on the Beach
1st	Rose Nelder	7	Why Pams is the Best Grocery Brand
2nd	Jemimah Harris	7	Four Gross Foods and Why You Shouldn't Eat Them
2nd	Archer Ford	8	Why You Should Stay Off Social Media
1st	Naomi Gruener	8	The Quiet Heroes of MBS

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Introduction

Welcome to Every Day Matters. This is a termly report that highlights attendance patterns in your school and provides actionable insights to improve student attendance.

Four **Student Attendance Categories** have been developed to help schools understand how frequently each student attends. These categories give you a way to monitor the progress you are making in supporting students to attend regularly.

	Student Categories	Student with	Equivalent to
	Regular attendance	over 90% attendance	missing fewer than 5 days across a term
	Irregular absence	more than 80% and up to 90% attendance	absent for between 5 and 9 days across a term
	Moderate absence	more than 70% and up to 80% attendance	absent for between 10 and 14.5 days across a term
	Chronic absence	70% attendance or less	absent for 15 days or more across a school term

This report provides a snapshot of how your school is performing, including an overview of the reasons for absence broken down by justified and unjustified reasons, insightful trends and next steps.

In April 2024, the Government announced a regular attendance target of 80 percent of students to be present for more than 90% of the term by 2030.

NOTE: In some cases, results have been rounded to the nearest percentage point to simplify the presentation of results. As a result, some totals may not add up to 100%.

Term 3 Summary

How many students regularly attended school this term?

 **Regular Attendance**

31%

Compared to 42% in Term 3, 2024

 **Irregular Absence 38%**

Compared to 29% in Term 3, 2024

 **Moderate Absence 18%**

Compared to 18% in Term 3, 2024

 **Chronic Absence 13%**

Compared to 12% in Term 3, 2024

What were the main reasons given for absence this term?

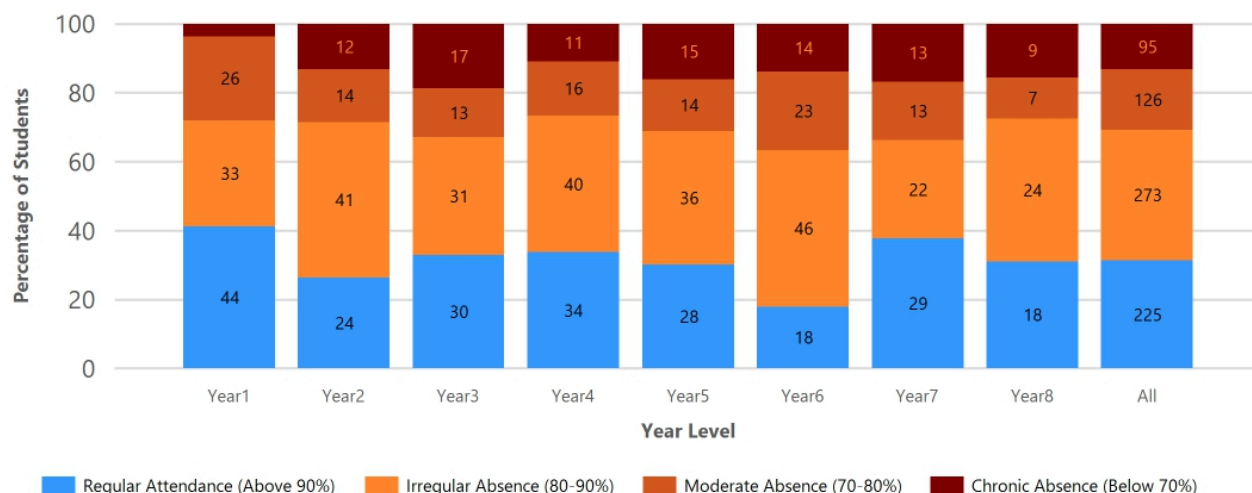
-  (M) Illness / Medical Absence 63%
-  (G) Holiday 21%
-  (E) Accepted (but unjustified) 10%
-  (J) Explained and Approved 5%
-  (T) Unexplained / Trivial 1%

How many students were on time to class?

96% of students are arriving on-time regularly (i.e. over 90% of the time)

How are your student attendance categories distributed by year level?

NOTE: Percentages are shown on the vertical axis while the bars show the actual number of students.

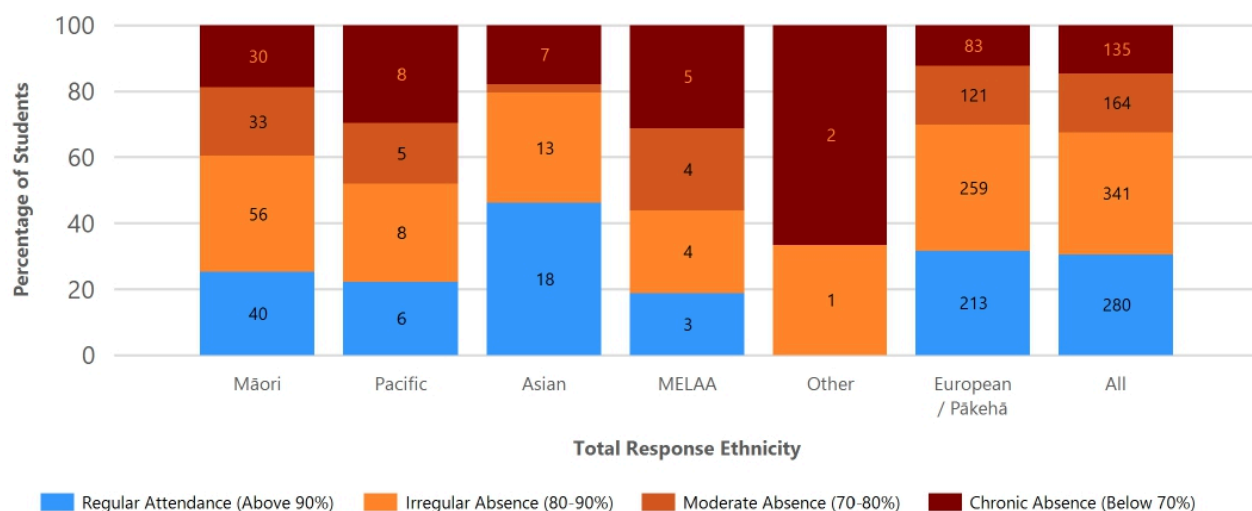


In Term 3 of Year 2025, Year 1 had the highest proportion of students attending regularly, with 41% of students at school above 90% of the time.
In Term 3 of Year 2025, Year 3 had the highest proportion of students with chronic absence, with 19% of students at school less than 70% of the time.

How are your student attendance categories distributed by ethnicity?

NOTE:

- Students who identify with more than one of these ethnic groups are counted in each.
- Percentages are shown on the vertical axis while the bars show the actual number of students.
- Where there are small numbers in a group, please interpret with caution



In Term 3 of Year 2025, Asian ethnic group had the highest proportion of students attending regularly, with 46% of students at school above 90% of the time.
In Term 3 of Year 2025, Other ethnic group had the highest proportion of students with chronic absence, with 67% of students at school less than 70% of the time.

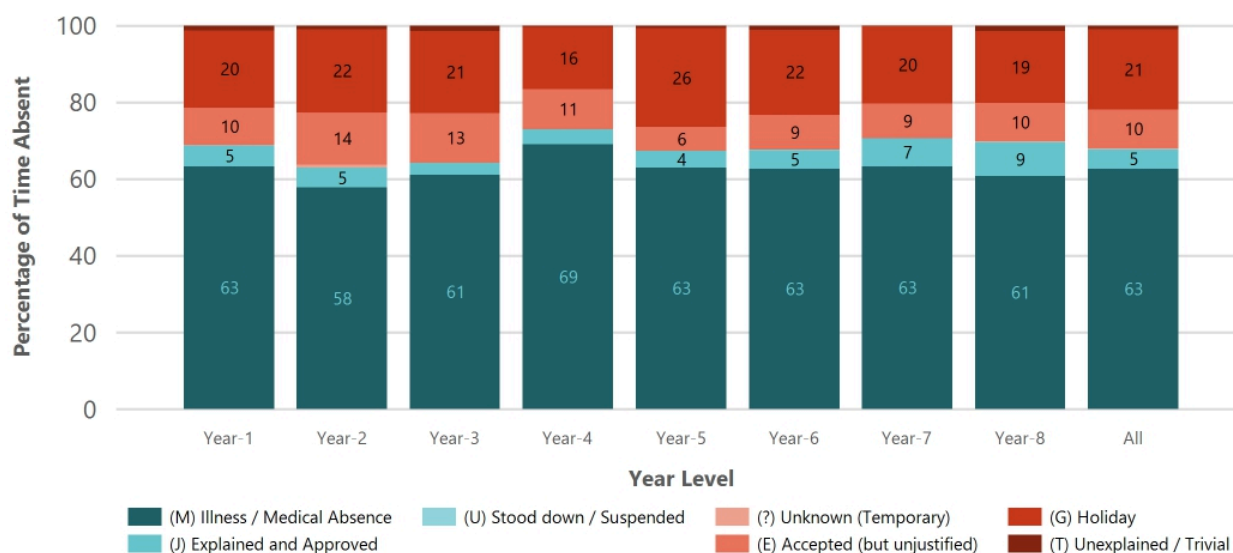
Absence

A '**Justified Absence**' is an absence defined within a school's policy as an acceptable reason for a student to be away from school.

An '**Unjustified Absence**' is recorded when a student is away from school and:

- There is no information or there is a throw-away excuse
- Explained but not within school policy, such as absence due to birthdays
- Absence due to holiday in term-time
- Extracurricular activities not organised by schools like sports, dance, music, or hobbies.

What differences are there between year levels in reasons given for absence?

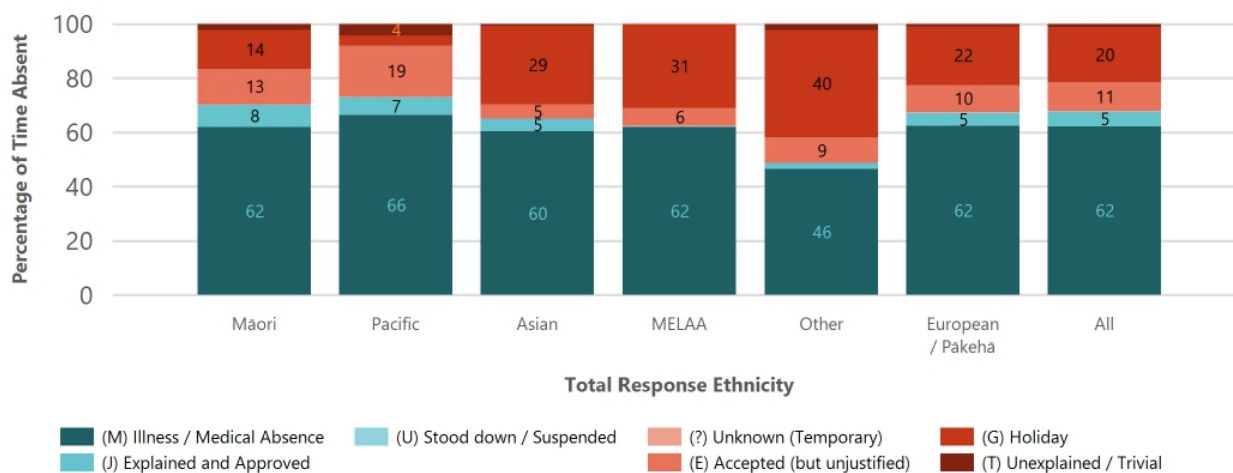


Year 4 students had the highest proportion of justified absences, with 73% of their absences being for justified reasons.

Year 2 students had the highest proportion of unjustified absences, with 37% of their absences being for unjustified reasons.

What differences are there between ethnic groups in reasons given for absence?

NOTE: Students who identify with more than one of these ethnic groups are counted in each.



Pacific students had the highest proportion of justified absences, with 73% of their absences being for justified reasons.

Other students had the highest proportion of unjustified absences, with 51% of their absences being for unjustified reasons.

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02 NOV	MFC POP UP CLINIC U8 TO U13 DEVELOPMENT PRO 75 Moir Street, Mangawhai • 2PM - 3:15PM
21 FRIDAY NOV	MFC PLAY-ON TOURNAMENT TEACHERS ONLY DAY HALF DAY 75 Moir Street, Mangawhai • 9:00AM - 12:30PM
30 SUNDAY NOV	MFC POP UP CLINIC U8 TO U13 DEVELOPMENT PRO 75 Moir Street, Mangawhai • 2PM - 3:15PM
16 TUESDAY DEC	SUMMER KICKS FINAL NIGHT CLOSING PROGRAM COMP 75 Moir Street, Mangawhai • 4PM - 6:45PM

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FRIDAY 21ST NOVEMBER
(TEACHERS ONLY DAY AT MBS)

- 9am - 12:30pm
- PRIZES up for grabs

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