

# MANGAWHAI BEACH SCHOOL

# NEWSLETTER



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## Principal's Soapbox

Only two weeks of school left in term one... where has this term gone?

You may have heard or read recently the proposal by the National Party in New Zealand to require schools to allocate a certain amount of time to Reading, Writing, and Maths instruction and to introduce new assessments. Some argue that this policy could help improve educational outcomes for students by ensuring they receive adequate instruction and monitoring their progress. Others disagree with this proposal, citing concerns that national testing has not been effective in improving student outcomes in the past. At Mangawhai Beach School we have always dedicated key instruction time to the core curriculum subjects of Reading, Writing and Mathematics and have had great results in assessments because of the quality of teaching provided. We use assessment to target learning to our students. It is not assessment only that helps students learn, it is great teaching. Let's remember this and support our students to learn both at home and at school with the best teacher educators and the best parenting support.

We have managed to get in some EOTC beach activities as well as some offsite sports days with more settled weather. Hopefully those activities that we cancelled can be rescheduled for later in the year. Thank you to the staff who organise and parents/caregivers that offer support at these events. Without your help, these wouldn't be possible so your assistance is very much appreciated.

Thank you to everybody who supported our DISCO on Friday night we raised over \$3,000!!!. What a great time our kids had ripping up the dance floor with their friends and favourite staff members. Our fundraising team work hard behind the scenes to coordinate and run these events and would appreciate some more volunteers. If you can help for a couple of hours at our fundraising events in order to raise money for our awesome school, your assistance would be appreciated. You are welcome at any FoMBS meeting when it is scheduled. Well done to Anita Nowell and her trusty team of helpers. Anita you are a SUPERSTAR!



### IMPORTANT DATES:

27th Mar - Yr 4 Athletics

28th Mar - School Photos  
Middle Syndicate

29th Mar - Yr 5 Athletics

29th Mar - School Photos  
Junior Syndicate

30th Mar - Yr 3 Athletics

30th Mar - School Photos  
Senior Syndicate

4th Apr - Transition to school  
meeting @ 9:30am

5th Apr - Yr 7/8 Technology @  
Rodney College

6th Apr - House Water  
Fight/Last day of term one

24th Apr - First day term two

25th Apr - Anzac Day - school  
closed

8th May - Lit Quiz Auckland

10th May - Powhiri to welcome  
new staff, students and  
families 9:15am

15th May - Science Roadshow

19th May - Pink Shirt Day

20th Jun - Our Kids Online  
presentation with Rob Cope

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**More FM Breakfast Club will be in Mangawhai for a special breakfast broadcast next Friday and they'd love to see some of our cool kids. They will be at Bennetts Chocolate Factory from 6-9am Friday 31st March. If you would like to come down and say hi on the radio, you are welcome.**



#### **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)

#### **2023 Term Dates:**

7th Feb - 6th Apr  
24th Apr - 30th Jun  
17th Jul - 22nd Sep  
9th Oct - 20th Dec

**UPDATE YOUR CLASS ROOM NUMBERS IN KINDO:** Please your child's/children's classroom number in Kindo and update is required. This will ensure tuckshop and uniform orders go to the correct room.

This is our last newsletter for the term and when we get back after the holidays, we are back one day then on a holiday for Anzac Day. Haku RSA holds a service starting around 10am each year but if you would like to be involved in a dawn parade, Wellsford RSA starts their commemorations very early.



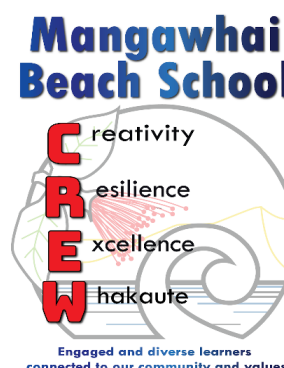
**SPONSORSHIP:** As a school we are always looking for ways to save money so we can use it in other areas. We are offering sponsorship of our electronic sign in/out device (Vistab) to our school business community. For a monthly cost of \$80.50 your logo will be displayed on our Vistab tablet where parents and visitors sign in and out on a daily basis. If you are interested in this sponsorship please email [office@mangawhaibeach.school.nz](mailto:office@mangawhaibeach.school.nz).



**For those new to our school and those that need a refresher..... in following newsletters we will feature one of our values and what it means at Mangawhai Beach School.**

**EXCELLENCE:** what is it? Basically it is doing the best that YOU can do - not what your best friend or sibling can do. It is giving your very best to any task or any relationship you have. When you do your best you find out what talents you have and you may even discover things no one else has before! It is all about the effort you put in and the standard that you aspire to. When you practice excellence you get the rewards and you can make a difference in this world; but only if you do things all the way, not half-heartedly. Show your children how to strive for excellence in activities that you do at home and /or for your jobs.

*Aaron Kemp/Whaea Emma  
Principal/Deputy Principal*



**Our Vision:** Engaged and diverse learners connected to our community and values



## Te Reo Elective Survey Update:

Thank you to the many (over 100!) children/whānau who are interested in being a part of this new venture. We are having a whānau meeting on Sunday 2nd April at 2pm in the school staffroom to discuss our next steps. Invitations were sent out last week.

Ngā mihi  
Whaea Gabbie



Please collect and save all your **YUMMY STICKERS** from your apples. **FREE SPORTS GEAR IS AVAILABLE TO OUR SCHOOL.** The more stickers we collect, the more sports gear we receive. Sticker sheets are available from the office so you can stick them on at home.

**WELLSFORD GOLF CLUB**  
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**Friday 18<sup>th</sup> Feb '23**

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ALL WELCOME

**3:45 – 6.00pm**

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Join us at the  
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A free family event with entertainment and D.I.Y.  
Date: Thursday 30th of March 2023  
Time: 4pm-6pm

Activities and fun for the whole family

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- Face Painting
- Easter Egg Hunt
- Kids DIY
- Colour Competition
- Free Sausage Sizzle



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For more information contact us on 09 952 8300 or visit [www.bunnings.co.nz/mangawhai](http://www.bunnings.co.nz/mangawhai)

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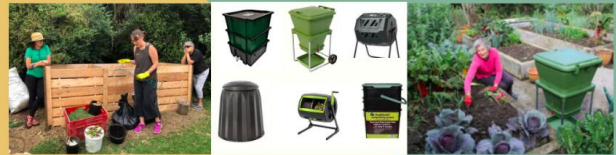
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## MAHURANGI JUNIOR HOCKEY Competition 2023

Sign up NOW for the **WELLSFORD TEAM**

Registrations now open at  
[mahujuniorhockey.co.nz/register/](http://mahujuniorhockey.co.nz/register/)  
Closing date: March 31st

**Funsticks** is great introduction to hockey for Years 0 - 2

**Junior Hockey** is a mixed hockey competition for Years 3 - 6,  
(experienced / confident Year 2's welcome as appropriate)

Games are played at the Warkworth Hockey Turf  
(A&P showgrounds) every Saturday morning

For more info go to [www.mahujuniorhockey.co.nz](http://www.mahujuniorhockey.co.nz) or,  
Contact Bridget Berking - Wellsford Team Coordinator & Coach  
M: 021 445097 e: [bridgetberking@xtra.co.nz](mailto:bridgetberking@xtra.co.nz)

### HAVE-A-GO DAY!

Date: Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> March at MBS on turf from 3pm.  
If you haven't played hockey before, just turn up and  
HAVE-A-GO! Sticks provided (bring a mouthguard  
IF you have one from another sport.)

## North Harbour Hockey

### Open (Mixed) Intermediate 7-Aside 2023 Winter Competition

Sign up NOW for the **Mangawhai Beach-  
Wellsford Intermediate School Team**  
(Years 7 & 8)

For more information visit  
<https://www.harbourhockey.co.nz/intermediate-competition/>

To register your child's interest  
Contact Bridget Berking - Team Coordinator & Coach  
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