

MANAIA VIEW

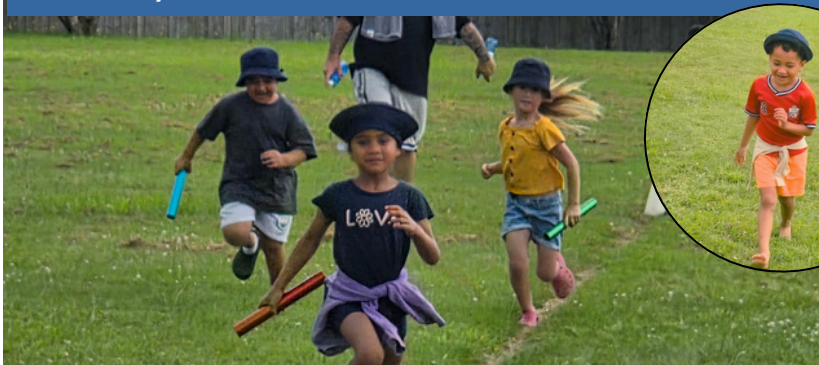


Kia ora e te whānau

As we head into the final weeks of the school year, we can see that our students and staff are getting ready for the holidays. We want to thank our entire school community – students, staff, and whānau – for the effort and resilience shown throughout the term. We have had a jam-packed schedule of learning, assessments, and events that have kept us all busy. With two and a half weeks remaining, we will keep up the pace as we head towards Prizegiving. Please take note of the important dates below, and we look forward to seeing you in school over the coming weeks!



Athletics Day 2025



Honouring Te Tiriti

The Manaia View School Board, alongside many New Zealand schools, has sent a letter to the Minister of Education communicating our objection to the Minister's directive to remove the expectation for school boards to uphold Te Tiriti o Waitangi.

At Manaia View we deeply value our connections to Mana Whenua and our communities' rich culture. The Board of Trustees is committed to ensuring Te Tiriti principles guide everything we do, from our learning programmes to our strategic planning.

Measles update

Measles is serious and highly contagious, so if you or someone in your whānau is feeling unwell, stay home and call Healthline on 0800 611 116 for advice. Symptoms to watch out for are high fever, cough, runny nose, sore red eyes, and a rash that spreads from the face down. On darker skin, the rash may be harder to see but can be felt. Health NZ | Te Whatu Ora say immunisation is your best protection, and two doses of the Measles, Mumps and Rubella (MMR) vaccine will protect 99% of people.

Prizegiving 2025

The final event of our year is the Prizegiving Ceremony on Thursday, 11th December, 11:30 AM.

Students will be celebrated for their hard work, whether through academic achievement, cultural contributions, sporting prowess, or consistently demonstrating our core school values. We strongly encourage all whānau to attend this important event.





Starting the New Year 2026

The school year starts on 2nd February; all students are expected to return on this date. We will start the school year with a BBQ breakfast before our powhiri to welcome any new whānau. Leanne Otene will return next year to her role as Principal. She is returning to us after 3 years as the President of the New Zealand Principals Federation. She brings a wealth of curriculum knowledge to support teachers through recent changes. Leanne is excited to be back at school and is looking forward to reconnecting with students and whānau.

School office Open

- The school office will be open from
- 9 - 12 pm daily from Wednesday 21
- January 2026



New Uniforms for 2026

We are very excited that our new uniforms will be ready for Term 1. These will be for sale in the school office from Wednesday, 21 January.

This uniform is compulsory for our intermediate students and optional for primary-aged students in years 1 to 6.

Back to school offer: Buy one and get one free if your child has 100% attendance for the first 2 weeks of school (they will receive their 2nd uniform after the first two completed weeks)

New Enrolments for 2026

Whānau are welcome to start this process this term if you would prefer, ensuring all tamariki are set to go from Day 1.

Stationery Packs

All student stationery can be purchased from the school office for \$10 per pack. This cost has been subsidised by the School Board to help whānau ensure all tamariki are ready for learning at the start of the year.

Back to school offer: Stationery packs will be free if your child has 100% attendance for the first week of school.

Staff Changes

We will have 2 new teachers starting in Term 1, Whaea Celine in Room 8 and Whaea Sharleena in Room 7. We are sorry that we will no longer have Whaea Logan with us as she is moving. It has been great having her as part of our MVS whānau.

We are also very sad that this year Whaea Tracy is finally retiring. She has tried to leave us for the past 3 years but has repeatedly returned to support our tamariki. Tracy has worked at MVS for the past 15 years and has helped hundreds of students during her time here. We are sure we will be able to lure her back for some relieving next year and she will always be part of Manaia View whānau.

Tracy and Logan will be missed by us all.

Attendance

There will be an emphasis on improving attendance across the school. This is in line with the new Ministry of Education focus on Attendance. They will be closely monitoring the school and whānau who are not getting their students to school. The Ministry have indicated that the whānau of students who are "chronically absent" will be prosecuted by MSD. We are very happy to support any whānau who need support to make positive changes in their child's attendance. We are here to help, and most importantly, here to teach.

Attendance rates will be published regularly to help whānau monitor how often children are attending and to ensure we are all working together to get our children to school.

Your child's attendance information will be published on their school report. Please review this with your child so that we can all make positive changes for the new year. We aim to have all students at school for 90% of the term to maximise their learning time.

What is your child's attendance rate?

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

Start the year with 100% attendance, receive your free stationery and uniform!