

MANGATANGI SCHOOL

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'A thirst for learning'

Issue 13

NEWSLETTER

19 August 2025

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents, Caregivers and Whānau,

Congratulations to all our runners who represented our school with pride at the Franklin Cross Country – we are so proud of your efforts and sportsmanship! Special mention to Charlie and James who have made it through to Auckland Cross Country this Friday.

Congratulations also to our Year 8 Mathex team of Gemma, CJ, Harry and Zac who placed 3rd in the recent Mathex competition in Ngatea!

A big thank you to our Year 7 students for their fantastic work reconstructing the sandpit. Your teamwork and dedication have made a real difference to our sandpit area. Thank you also to Mr Hunt, and Mr Beazley.

Well done also to our Year 8 students, who have built and planted our beautiful new garden at the front of the school. It's already making our entrance more welcoming for everyone. Once again thank you to Mr Hunt.

We're currently experiencing a higher-than-usual number of absences, both students and staff, due to seasonal illnesses, including flu, Covid-19, and other respiratory infections. If your children are feeling unwell, please prioritise their health and keep them home to recover and prevent further spread. Let's continue to support each other and make sure we all stay well.

And finally, as promised, work on our **new playground** officially began on **18 August** – we can't wait to see the progress in the coming weeks!

Have a great week!

Ngā mihi, Christine West, Principal

Calendar

August 2025

19th First Aid Training for students

22nd Auckland Cross Country

22nd Mufti Day #1 (non-food item as "payment")

26th School Board meeting 6:30pm For more information, contact bot@mangatangi.school.nz

27th Year 7/8 Technology

28th Thriving Tamariki evening with guest speaker Nigel Latta 6:30pm

29th Mufti Day #2 (Rooms 4, 5 & 6 - canned item, Rooms 1 & 2 - bottled item)

September 2025

2nd Home & School Committee Meeting 7:00pm (Calf & Lamb Day & Disco only)

4th Rippa Tournament at Maramarua

5th Mufti Day #3 (packet item)

5th Bingo Night! (Room 1 camp fundraiser)

9th Home & School Committee Meeting 7:00pm

10th Mangatangi School Board Elections closed

12th Mufti Day #4 (Sweet item)

12th Disco!

15th - 17th Room 2 Camp to Aongatete

19th Last day of Term 3



THUMBS UP

- To Nicole Woodford and Janelle O'Connell for coaching our two hockey teams this year!
- To Neil Fitzgerald for coming to rescue yet again & doing extra work on our new playground space
- To Dave Taylor (Kaziah's grandad) for the perspex cover for our school mural
- To Alan & Jane Jeffs for the wood for letter boxes



MANGATANGI SCHOOL UNIFORM

A reminder that Term 3 still means winter uniforms, and this means the following:

- NO sports shirts (unless you are representing Mangatangi School at a sporting event).
- Thermals can be worn, however these are to be short sleeved and not visible
- Long pants are absolutely allowed, however as always, ensure they are plain black (NO logos)
- Socks are to be PLAIN white or PLAIN black
- A spare pair of shorts left in school bags can be beneficial, particularly if the field is muddy!
- Please ensure all uniform items are named, especially polar fleeces.



Brooklyn (19/08) Halo (31/08)



From time to time matters arise that you feel you need to discuss with the classroom teacher.

It is important that the teacher is your first point of contact however, please remember they are in class from 8:30am until 3pm.

Feel free to arrange a time that is suitable to both you and the teacher outside of classroom hours.





SPORTS RESULTS & DRAWS

RESULTS



TEAM	OPPOSITION	RESULT	PLAYER OF THE DAY				
HOCKEY - 8 th / 9 th August			•				
Mangatangi Monsters	Rua Rebels	1 - 3	Sienna Charlie				
Mangatangi Magic	Te Aroha Twisters		Isla Smith, Lenix Sergeant				
Waiau Pa Queens	Pukekohe Bandits	2 - 0	Abby Dutton				
RUGBY - 9th August							
Maramarua Year 3 Green	Drury	90 - 75	Matthias Turner				
Maramarua Year 3 Black	Waiuku Green	25 - 12	Tayla Kelly				
Maramarua Year 4 Green	Ardmore Marist Red	25 - 90	Reef Rogers				
Bombay Mighty Ducks	Pukekohe		Isabella Pyne				
BASKETBALL - 9 th August							
Ramarama Rebels Silver			Jack Jarvis				
HOCKEY - 15th / 16th August							
Mangatangi Monsters	Ngatea Eagles	4 - 6	Lyla Kemble				
Mangatangi Magic	Netherton	2 - 4	Lucas Brown, Isla Smith				
RUGBY - 16th August							
Maramarua Year 1	ear 1 Pukekohe Year 1 Green		Jack Levers				
Maramarua Year 4 Green	Manurewa Green	25 - 130	Mason Anderson				
Maramarua Year 7	arua Year 7 Bombay 31 - 24 Charlie Faulkner		Charlie Faulkner				
Bombay Year 2 Gold			Maeson Norman				



CALF AND LAMB DAY 2025

Friday 17th October

GENERAL REMINDERS

- Complete your Animal Registration Form and return to the school office
- Make sure your planning is underway for your Technology project (Letterbox). Remember we have wood available to use, simply get in touch!

HORTICULTURE INFORMATION



Strawberries in a planter: Plant when ready

Herbs in a planter:

Plant when ready, in store from now (keep them pruned)





Spuds in a bucket

Plant now

Plant in the bottom of a bucket. Add a thin layer of topsoil as the leaves sprout. Do this 6 - 7 times until the bucket is full. Water frequently but keep well drained.



Tomato in a bucket

Plant now

Keep laterals pinched.

Remember to collect your plant diary from the school office *before* you start growing your plant. You can enter more than one plant category. The diary only needs to be completed for *one* plant.



CALF & LAMB DAY TROPHIES

If your child won a trophy at Calf & Lamb Day last year, could you please help them dust these off (don't worry about polishing them, we'll organise that!) and return them to school by the end of the term. Thanks!





We had a number of runners who qualified for Franklin Cross Country which was held on Tuesday 12th August. Congratulations to the following students who represented East Group (and Mangatangi School!) with pride:

Room 1: Harry Pope, Zac Rowberry, Hailey Schlaepfer, Brooklyn Ormsby, Gemma Johnston Oldham James Woodford, Charlie Faulkner, Stefan Smith, Jack Jarvis, Maia Smith

Room 2: Jacob Turner, Finn Matheson, Macy Lazaro, Lyla Kemble

Room 4: Olivia Jarvis, Lucas Pogson, Spencer Henwood, Mason Anderson, Robbie Woodford, Aaliyah Murcott, Archie Henwood, Isla Smith

A special mention goes to Charlie who placed 2nd and James 10th in the Year 7 Boys race! They are both off to the Auckland Cross Country Champs on Friday. Good luck boys!

We'd also like to congratulate our Year 8 boys (Harry & Zac) and Year 8 girls (Hailey, Brooklyn & Gemma) for contributing to a 3rd place overall for the East Group Year 8 Boys and Girls teams and to the Year 7 boys (Charlie, James & Stefan) for their contribution to a 2nd place overall for the East Group Year 7 Boys team!

Mangatangi School Assembly 18th August

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Name Reason

Room 1: Maia Showing outstanding improvement in effort and learning, demonstrating persistence, and growing

into a confident and motivated learner

Nathaniel Making outstanding progress through dedication, effort, and a positive attitude towards learning

Room 2: Having a go and being a great team member during class games **Jamie**

> Showing excellent understanding of multiplication and division algorithms Victoria

Emerald Always having a go at anything in the class and completing her work to the best of her ability

Rayjun Having a go at any sporting activity and being a great team player Quinn Being a deep thinker and striving for excellence in what she does

Room 4: Outstanding effort in all areas of learning Cooper

> **Matthias** Outstanding effort in all areas of learning Jakob Outstanding effort in all areas of learning

Room 5: Eli Excellent effort at East Group Cross Country

> Excellent effort at East Group Cross Country Maeson Outstanding concentration in all areas of learning

Marlow Fantastic progress in reading

Room 6: Keizhlee Making great progress with her structured literacy

> Kora Working hard to secure her letter sounds so quickly

Xavier Fantastic effort in independent writing

A positive attitude towards school and learning Caiden

From Mr Hunt:

Name Reason

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Outstanding attitude, work ethic & skill development in the garden construction Year 8: Gemma

> Focus & work ethic during the garden construction at the front of the school Harry Being the greatest improver in developing your garden construction skills Julianne

Year 7: **Ashley** His hard work & expertise in ramming posts in the sandpit reconstruction

> Charlie His work ethic & commitment to the sandpit reconstruction Jack Excellent support of the team during the sandpit reconstruction

Giving her absolute best in the sandpit reconstruction **Jazlie**

Sam Your huge contribution & application to the sandpit reconstruction

Principal Awards - Have a Go: Participate, build community and be inclusive

Name

Room 1: Isabelle Demonstrating remarkable growth in effort and learning and showing a positive attitude and

determination

Room 2: Jacob Outstanding effort in supporting a new class member to have a go during music lessons

Room 4: Positive attitude towards all learning this term Spencer Room 5: Determination to succeed in all areas of his learning Labraye

Room 6: Stellar Listening, thinking and making great choices

Bucket Filler Winners:

Stellar - Amazing cleaning up! Willow P - Great Job at Being a Bucket Filler! Cohen - Great Job at Being a Bucket Filler! Labraye - Great Job at Being a Bucket Filler! Eli - Great Job at Being a Bucket Filler! Maeson - Great Job at Being a Bucket Filler! Tayla - Great Job at Being a Bucket Filler! Nathan - Great Job at Being a Bucket Filler! Brooklyn - Being ready for learning Charlie - Getting my stuff ready in the morning

Sam - Working hard

Mangatangi School Assembly 18th August cont...

House Leader's Awards - Sport:

Name	Reason		Name	Reason
Air:	Harry	Coming second in cross country and doing well in East Group!	Boston	Trying his best in cross country
Earth:	Lucas P	Doing his best in cross country	Charlie	Coming second in Franklin Cross Country!
Fire:	Marlow	Doing her best in cross country	James	Doing well in all the cross country races
Water:	Elmarie	Awesome running in cross country!	Kensley	Good sportsmanship and doing an awesome job at cross country



SCHOOL STICKER PROMO

Are you remembering to collect the Yummy Fruit Company stickers (at home or at school)?

The more we can submit, the bigger our share of the \$200,000 worth of sports gear may be! We have to submit these by 20 October 2025 - so there is plenty of time to collect these.

You can help us increase our share by asking friends and family to save theirs too! There is also a cut-out label on the apple bags, make sure you send these in too as one cut-out label is worth 10 apple stickers!

If you'd like a collection sheet at home, pop into the school office and we can give you one. Once you have filled it, you can return it to us and swap for an empty one.







Join the Mangatangi Home and School Committee



About Us

The Mangatangi Home & School Committee is made up of mums, dads, grandparents, and caregivers of children at the school who love supporting our community through fun events and fundraising. We meet just once or twice a term in the school staffroom at 7pm.

What are we fundraising for?

Most of our fundraising is going towards replacing our much-loved 30-year-old playground – a big project that's already underway!

Events | Fundraising

Our Big Fundraisers: The Trail Bike Ride, Calf & Lamb Day, and The Colour Run.



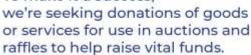
Other events: School
Disco, Matariki Fish &
Chips, Bacon & Egg Bap
Lunch, and Sausage sizzles.

Extra support for teachers – resources, EOTC funding and Meet the Teachers evening.

Anyone can help! We currently need support with:

Sponsorship

Our Calf & Lamb Day is one of our school's biggest fundraisers.
To make it a success, we're seeking donations of g



Committee Members

Every school community relies on a mix of skills to bring events to life. "I'd love to help, but I can't commit to being on the committee."



That's absolutely fine! We're always looking for extra hands—whether it's pitching in beforehand or helping out on the day of an event.

Want to Get Involved or Sponsor Us? We'd love your support!

Come along to a meeting or get in touch – everyone's welcome.

Contact Shelley in the school office or email admin@mangatangi.school.nz

COMMUNITY NOTICES

HOUSE FOR SALE

Family home for sale in Mangatangi:

3 bedroom, 1 bathroom

2647m2

Asking \$820,000

Please call Stephanie Alderlieste 027 246 7911 or Grace Hare 021 103 9550 for more information







COMMUNITY NOTICES



JOIN THE KEREPEHI DRUM CORPS!

DRUM LESSONS EVERY THURSDAY

(Excluding school holidays)

6:00-6:30pm - Beginners with Janine

- Learn the basics from scratch
- · Fun, friendly and supportive

6:30-7:00pm - All drummers together

 One big group for maximum impact

7:00-7:30pm - Experienced with Neville

 Take your skills further with advanced techniques We are ready for our second intake of new drummers! Whether you're a seasoned drummer or just starting out, we want YOU in our exciting new Drum Corps! Come and learn or play the snare drum!

LESSONS - \$5 PER WEEK

Kerepehi Brass Band Hall 14 Matai Street Kerepehi

We're building towards performing at halftime shows, parades, and events later this year!

ALL AGES - ALL LEVELS - ALL WELCOME



For more info see: www.kerepehibrass.co.nz or email us at:

kerepehibrassegmail.com









KEREPEHI BRASS DRUM CORPS Now with Two Groups!

The Kerepehi Brass Drum Corps is off to an exciting start in 2025 - and we're now offering two Thursday evening groups to suit all ages and skill levels!

5:00 - 6:30pm: Beginners with Janine

Perfect for those new to drumming

5:30 - 7:00pm: All drummers together

Building group performance skills

7:00 - 7:30pm: Experienced with Neville

• For drummers ready for more advance rhythms

Lessons are \$5 each, run during term time and are held at the Kerepehi Brass Band Hall, 14 Matai Street, Kerepehi.

You'll learn to play the snare drum and work towards exciting performances at halftime shows, parades, ANZAC Day and Kerepehi Brass Band events later this year.

A pair of drumsticks and a practice drum pad are required (we can help you order these if needed).

Whether you're a seasoned drummer or just starting out, you'll find a place in our friendly enthusiastic group.

Contact us for more details at: kerepehibrass@gmail.com | www.kerepehibrass.co.nz



We have some great events coming up. Pop them in your calendar and come along. Everyone is welcome. We look forward to seeing you there.

BAIT AND TRAP DAY

Date: Saturday, September 6th 2025

Time: 10.00am - 12.00pm

Place: Mangatangi Hall, Kaiaua Road

Partner: Predator Free Franklin

Join us and Predator Free Franklin for a community Bait and Trap Day! Helping our wildlife thrive. Friendly advice, tools and tips to take away. Possum and rat traps, bait, everything you need to protect and help the amazing wildlife we have in our catchment thrive

BRUNCH ON US

Date: Friday, September 12th 2025

Time: 10.30am - 12.30pm

Place: Mangatangi Hall, Kaiaua Road

Partner: Rural Support Trust

Inviting farmers and our rural community for brunch and delicious coffee (on us). Connect with others facing the unique challenges of life on the land. No fuss. No presentations. Just a catch up.

Proudly supported by: Rural Support Trust, Beef + Lamb New Zealand, Fonterra, Farm Source, Power Farming, OFI, FMG, Kaimai Eggs, Open Country, Auckland Council, BYL Livestock, Fern, DairyNZ, MPIs OnFarm Support Team, Tatua, and Miraka.



RUBBISH STICKERS

The new pink Waikato District Council / Community rubbish stickers are now available from the Mangatangi School Office during school hours. Each sticker is now \$3.00.

As always for our school families, if you do need any, you are welcome to pay on-line (use no. of stickers and your name as reference) and they can be sent home with your child.