



# MANGATANGI SCHOOL



'A thirst for learning'

Issue 35

## NEWSLETTER

21 November 2023

### FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents, Caregivers and Whānau,

Congratulations to Moana and Toby who have both qualified for Auckland Athletics. We are extremely proud of you and wish you both all the very best next Thursday. Thanks to family for making the commitment to support them.

We are currently working on our 2024 Strategic Plan and we want your opinion. Later this week your child will bring home a 'shield' for your thoughts - what is working well on one side and what would benefit our school on the other. We would love you to write some of your child's ideas too please. Thanks in advance.

The end of the school year is looming, scary I know, so please keep an eye on the calendar.

Have a great week!

Ngā mihi,  
Christine West, Principal



### END OF YEAR MUSIC CONCERT

Mark it in your diaries! Our students who have been taking music lessons this year will be performing their end of year concert on **Monday 11th December** at 1:00pm Everyone is welcome.

### MANGATANGI SCHOOL POOL



Thank you for your patience!  
*The pool is OPEN and fabulous.*

Pool keys for our current school families are \$100 and for all other families/community members \$150.

Keys are available to purchase by cash or eftpos from the school office between 8:00am - 3:15pm.

## Calendar

### November 2023

- 21<sup>st</sup> Franklin Basketball onsite
- 22<sup>nd</sup> Year 3/4 Tabloid Sports
- 23<sup>rd</sup> School Board meeting 6:00pm
- 27<sup>th</sup> - 1<sup>st</sup> Dec Wheels Week
- 28<sup>th</sup> Franklin Basketball onsite
- 29<sup>th</sup> Room 6 Class Trip

### December 2023

- 1<sup>st</sup> Year 7 only Technology
- 1<sup>st</sup> Year 8 students - Discovery Day at Hauraki Plains College
- 1<sup>st</sup> Scholastic Book Club Orders due
- 5<sup>th</sup> Franklin Basketball onsite
- 6<sup>th</sup> Year 7/8 Technology (make up day)
- 11<sup>th</sup> End of Year Music Concert 1:00pm
- 12<sup>th</sup> Franklin Basketball onsite
- 14<sup>th</sup> Prizegiving & Final day for students



### THUMBS UP

- ◆ To Mr Hunt who prevented a pool closure by installing a new pump part. And to Ms West for sourcing said part and travelling to pick it up.
- ◆ To all the parents who have offered to take transport and help at the many events over the past few weeks, your support is appreciated!
- ◆ To the Room 1 & 2 students who behaved so well at their recent camps at Aongatete Outdoor Education Centre and Lodge

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Max  
Hemi



## WHEELS WEEK IS BACK!

This is always such a popular week at school for the students so we are excited to be bringing it back next week! In preparation, please note the following:

- Only non-motorised “wheels” are permitted such as bicycles, scooters, skateboards, roller skates and roller blades
- You **MUST wear a helmet and covered footwear** (and any other appropriate safety gear you usually wear) whenever you are riding
- Your “wheels” must be checked prior to bringing them to school to ensure they are safe and sound to ride
- “Wheels” can be brought to school from Monday 27th November
- “Wheels” can be left here each night (locked in the classrooms).
- No sharing of “Wheels”
- Any questions, please contact the office

## 2024 TERM DATES

- Term 1: 7th February - 12 April
- Term 2: 29 April – 05 July
- Term 3: 22 July - 27 September
- Term 4: 07 October - 20 December



Congratulations to Lana, Lyla, Finn and Rayjun from Room 4, Wairangi from Room 2 and Liam, Moana, Thomas and Toby from Room 1 who all qualified to represent East Group at Franklin Athletics last Thursday. It was especially challenging to the Room 1 students who had their school camp over the three days prior!

Everyone did incredibly well, and we are so very proud, and as mentioned in Ms West’s message, an extra congratulations goes to Toby and Moana who are both off to the Auckland Zone Athletics Championships for Years 7 & 8 next Thursday. Toby will be competing in high jump, long jump, 200m and 400m and Moana in shot put and discus. **GOOD LUCK TOBY AND MOANA!**



	Today's Game Times	Opposition
Mangatangi Minis (Years 1 - 3)	4:45pm, Field 3	Kaihere Junior
Mangatangi Minions (Years 1 - 3)	<b>Game 1</b> 4:05pm, Field 2	Ngatea Bulldogs
	<b>Game 2</b> 5:25pm, Field 7	Turua Taggers
Mangatangi Machines (Years 4 - 6)	<b>Game 1</b> 4:05pm, Field 5	Ngatea Roosters
	<b>Game 2</b> 5:25pm, Field 2	Ngatea Lions
Mangatangi Monsters (Years 6, 7 & 8)	4:45pm, Field 1	Turua Can't Touch This

We have also received confirmation of the playing fees and these are **\$10 per player**. Can you please make arrangements for this to be paid with cash or eftpos in the school office or online (12-3023-0387504-01 using your child’s name and Touch in the reference fields) as soon as possible.

## END OF YEAR PRIZE GIVING

**WHEN:** Thursday 14th December (note, this is the last day of school) **TIME:** Afternoon (start time TBC)

**WHERE:** Mangatangi School

## ROOMS 1 & 2 AONGATETE LODGE CAMP

What fun our Room 1 & 2 students had on their camp at Aongatete Lodge last week! Like all successful camps, they (and the parents) came back exhausted - but full of memories of a fun filled few days. The Room 1 students learnt about river safety, then proceeded to walk up-river (in sometimes chest deep water!) testing their skills and confidence the entire way. The next day was all about survival in the bush - so shelters were built and compass skills learnt, which were then put to good use when escorting their parent safely back to camp following their compasses only and bush bashing the entire way. There were some nervous parents until they saw "civilisation" again!

Room 2 had their conservation hats on and are well versed in looking after our native landscapes. Their physical limits were pushed on the confidence course and climbing wall, but oh what fun!

The night time Burma Trails, cooking dinner on an open fire and archery were all highlights for all students.

Thanks to Mrs van Mil, Mrs N-C and the parent helpers who all sacrificed two nights of peaceful sleep to ensure everyone had the best time ever! Our thanks also goes to Emily from Aongatete Lodge for her knowledge, enthusiasm and endless patience!



These are just some of the photos of Room 1's antics at camp. Keep an eye out next week for Room 2's!

Our Science mini lesson about our skeleton taught us about the joints in our hand and how to draw an x-ray.



# Room Four

We love playing our new games - Tic-Tac-Ten and Icecream Cones!



## COMMUNITY NOTICES



# Community BBQ

MEET THE NEIGHBOURS!



**3 Dec**

**SUNDAY  
AT MANGATANGI FIRE  
STATION**

12.30 BBQ  
12 NOON SPUD IN THE BUCKET  
JUDGING BEGINS, CLOSES 1.30PM  
2PM SPUD PRIZEGIVING

PLUS  
FIRE STATION OPEN DAY  
PLAYCENTRE GOODIES  
CASH BAR  
FREE BBQ

COMMUNITY EVENT - FREE BBQ, CASH BAR, MEET THE NEIGHBOURS, SPUD IN THE BUCKET - ENTRIES - BUCKET MUST NOT BE EMPTIED, BRING COMPLETE BUCKET. THANKS TO GREENLEA MEATS.

<b>PUBLIC SIGNING SESSION</b> SUN 19 NOV SPARK ARENA	<b>MASCOT PARTY</b> SAT 20 JAN SPARK ARENA
<b>DC MULTIVERSE ROUND</b> SAT 9 DEC SPARK ARENA	<b>BACKS TO THE FUTURE</b> FRI 26 JAN EVENTFINDA STADIUM
<b>CHRISTMAS GAME</b> FRI 22 DEC SPARK ARENA	<b>CHINESE NEW YEAR</b> FRI 9 FEB SPARK ARENA
<b>CARNIVAL DAY</b> SUN 7 JAN SPARK ARENA	<b>FAN APPRECIATION DAY</b> FRI 16 FEB SPARK ARENA

bnz breakers **8** REMAINING AUCKLAND GAMES

Tickets at [ticketmaster.co.nz](https://www.ticketmaster.co.nz)

**RED FOX TAVERN**

**HOUSIE NIGHT**

THURSDAY  
30 November  
2023  
7pm Onwards

\$5 for per 25 games book  
\$6 per super sheet.

Email us for inquiries - [Redfoxtavern17@gmail.com](mailto:Redfoxtavern17@gmail.com)

### RUBBISH STICKERS



Waikato District Council / Community rubbish stickers are available from the Mangatangi School Office during school hours for \$1.50.

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.

**DO YOU NEED TO STOCK UP BEFORE THE HOLIDAYS?**