



MANGATANGI SCHOOL



‘A thirst for learning’

Issue 18

NEWSLETTER

28 October 2025

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents, Caregivers and Whānau,

Hello wonderful school community!

I'm writing to you this week bursting with pride for our incredible students!

First, a massive thank you for making our Calf and Lamb Day such a fantastic success. It was heart-warming to see the dedication of all our students and their animals! A special shout-out and well done to those students who represented our school so brilliantly at Group Day—you made us incredibly proud!

A huge shout-out also goes to all the kids at touch rugby – not only are you showing off some serious skills, but your outstanding behaviour and sportsmanship are the absolute best. You make us all so proud!

Tomorrow is our exciting Athletics Day, and we're looking forward to a fantastic day of running, jumping, and fun. If you're keen to lend a hand at your child's event, please do let their classroom teacher know. Your support makes all the difference!

And finally, I just want to shout out how awesome the learning is going on around the school. From brilliant writing to super-cool science experiments, the energy is infectious!

Have a spectacular week, everyone!

Nga mihi nui,

Grace Hare
Acting Principal

Calendar

October 2025

- 28th NEST Consulting Parents Evening via Zoom
- 29th Mangatangi Athletics
- 30th Nest Consulting for Room 1 students

November 2025

- 1st & 2nd Trail Bike Ride Working Bee
- 3rd East Group Athletics
- 5th Year 7/8 Technology
- 11th Original Classroom opening and blessing
- 13th Franklin Athletics
- 19th Year 7/8 Technology
- 22nd - 23rd Trail Bike Ride
- 25th Rooms 2 & 4 visiting the Miranda Shorebird Centre
- 30th - 4th Dec Room 1 Camp to Wellington!



THUMBS UP

- To Sharon & David Wicks for the donation of Ayla's old bike! This will be put to good use, especially at triathlon time!
- To our Home & School Committee for their EPIC work on Calf & Lamb Day!
- To all the judges, stewards, students, teachers and parents for helping make our Calf & Lamb Day so successful
- To all the students (parents) who have named their school hats and polar fleeces - it is fantastic to be able to return them if they are left somewhere!
- To everyone using the pool for putting the pool covers back on!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Catalina (30/10)

Eli (06/11)

Reef (09/11)



HAVE YOUR CONTACT DETAILS CHANGED?

If so, it is important that you let us know.

You can email admin@mangatangi.school.nz with your new details or simply see Mrs Rowberry in the school office to let us know.



MANGATANGI SCHOOL ATHLETICS

Wednesday 29th October (tomorrow!)

Our schoolwide athletics is on tomorrow! All students will be participating and you are welcome to come and support your tamariki

The *approximate* timetable is as follows:

9:05am - 10:35am: Field events for everyone
10:35am - 10:55am: Morning Tea
10:55am - 12:20pm: Field events for everyone continued
12:20pm - 1:00pm: Lunch
From 1:00pm: Track events

9:00am THURSDAY 30th October
1500m and relays

Remember sunblock (apply this in the morning), school hats and a big drink bottle!

Students are welcome to wear their House colours to school on the day. Please contact the office if you are uncertain what house your child is in.

East Group Athletics is next Tuesday.



MANGATANGI SCHOOL POOL

If you didn't see the news, **pool keys are now available for sale!** Thank you for your patience while we got everything ready for another great swimming season!

The cost remains the same as last year, \$100 for current school families and \$150 for the wider community.

If you have already purchased your key and are taking advantage of our amazing pool, please ensure you replace the pool covers if you are the last to leave. We are heating the water currently - and this goes to waste if they are left off. Thank you!

BOARD CORNER

On a regular basis, the Mangatangi School Board members review policies and procedures related to the school. The below are currently due for review:

- Bullying and Harassment
- Behaviour Management
- Searches, Surrender, and Retention of Property
- Minimising Physical Restraint
- Stand-down, Suspension, and Exclusion
- Staff Wellbeing and Safety

Who reviews our policies?

- All reviews are open to board members, staff, students, and the school community (parents/ caregivers/whānau).
- Anyone can review any policy that has a review button.

If you would like to read through the policies and add your thoughts, visit www.schooldocs.co.nz, search for Mangatangi School. The login details are:

User Name: Mangatangi

Password: Thirst

Click on the "Current Review" tab, then on the policy you wish to review. If you have any feedback, click on "Start your review" and follow the instructions.



CALF AND LAMB DAY 2025 RESULTS

HORTICULTURE:

Best Flower:	Isla Smith	Best Strawberry	Nico Sergeant
Best Potato:	Ariah Page	Best Lettuce:	Levi Norman
Best Herb:	Boston Marsters	Best Tomato:	Ashley Soppet-Main
Senior Plant Diary:	James Woodford	Junior Plant Diary:	Willow Dave
Mangatangi School Cup for Junior Horticulture:	Robbie Woodford		
M & K Prestidge Cup for Senior Horticulture:	Ashley Soppet-Main		

INDOOR EXHIBITS:

	ROOM 1	ROOM 2	ROOM 4	ROOM 5	ROOM 6
1st	Gemma Johnston Oldham	Quinn Biggam	Reef Rogers	Nyah Rogers	Kyrie Turner
2nd	CJ Smith	Olive Yern	Robbie Woodford	Willow Pogson	Adaline Natta-Syverston
3rd	Julianne Mladenov	Jacob Turner	Lucas Pogson	Lucas Brown	Xavier Tararo
4th	Sienna Charlie	Ariah Page	Caesar Dave	Keanu Tutini	Tangaroa Foote

Reh Summerville Cup for Indoor Exhibits - Junior:
Edmonds Family Cup for Indoor Exhibits - Senior:

Kyrie Turner
Gemma Johnston Oldham

LAMB section:

A & L Smith Cup for Junior Child Effort:
M & V Shuker Cup for Intermediate Child Effort:
R & B Merrett Cup for Senior Child Effort:
E J Smith Cup Most Obvious Pet:
Mrs T Miller Cup Reserve Champion Lamb:
Whitmore Family Cup for Champion Lamb:

Lenny McLean
Lenix Sergeant
James Woodford
Gemma Johnston Oldham
Lenix Sergeant
James Woodford

CALF section:

Reserve Champion Calf for Leading:
Chitham Family Cup for Champion Calf Leading:
D & M Millar Trophy for Junior Child Effort:
Enton Farms Trophy for Intermediate Child Effort:
Athol Chipman Cup for Senior Child Effort:
P & R Edwards Family Cup for Reserve Champion Beef:
Fisher Family Cup for Champion Beef:
New Z Genetics Trophy for Reserve Champion Dairy:
Soppets Transport Cup for Champion Dairy:

Tayla Kelly
Ashley Soppet-Main
Lucas Brown
Tayla Kelly
Ashley Soppet-Main
Tayla Kelly
Finn Matheson
Lucas Brown
Ashley Soppet-Main

CALF AND LAMB DAY 2025 RESULTS cont...

CHICKEN section:

Chicken Diary:	Willow Dave
Reserve Champion Bird:	Ayla Wicks
Mangatangi School Cup for Champion Bird:	Ivy Lydford

GOAT section:

Shanley Family Trophy for Champion Goat	Hailey Schlaepfer
Shirley Soppet Memorial Cup for Contribution to Calf & Lamb Day:	Gemma Johnston Oldham

GROUP DAY 2025 RESULTS

Following our Calf & Lamb Day, a number of our students represented Mangatangi School at Group Day at Harrisville School. We received their results following the day, and wow, there were some outstanding results! All results are as follows:

Lenny McLean (Lamb) 5th Junior Early Rearing 2nd Junior Early Leading 3rd Junior Early Calling	Ivy Lydford (Lamb) 3rd Junior Late Calling 4th Junior Late Rearing	Lenix Sergeant (Lamb & Poultry) 3rd Intermediate Early Leading 1st Intermediate Early Rearing 5th Best Pullet 4th Best Pair of Pullets
Jack Lydford (Lamb) 2nd Intermediate Late Leading	Nico Sergeant (Lamb) 1st Intermediate Late Rearing	Robbie Woodford (Lamb) 2nd Intermediate Early Leading 5th Intermediate Early Calling
Gemma Johnston Oldham (Lamb) 3rd Senior Late Rearing 5th Senior Late Leading 4th Senior Late Calling	James Woodford (Lamb) 3rd Senior Early Leading	Willow Dave (Poultry) 5th Best Pair of Pullets
Hailey Schlaepfer (Goat) 3rd Senior Rearing 3rd Senior Calling	Jack Kelly (Dairy Calf) 4th Junior Rearing 4th Dairy Type Light Early	Rory Brown (Dairy Calf) 2nd Dairy Type Heavy
Lucas Brown (Dairy Calf) 5th Junior Leading 1st Junior Rearing 5th Dairy Type Heavy <i>RESERVE CHAMPION CHILD EFFORT JUNIOR DAIRY CALF</i>	Ashley Soppet-Main (Dairy Calf) 2nd Senior Leading 1st Senior Rearing 1st Dairy Type Light Late <i>RESERVE CHAMPION LEADING SENIOR DAIRY CALF CHAMPION CHILD EFFORT SENIOR DAIRY CALF CHAMPION OF CHAMPIONS DAIRY CALF SUPREME CHAMPION CHILD EFFORT</i>	Tayla Kelly (Beef Calf) 1st Junior Leading 3rd Junior Rearing <i>CHAMPION LEADING JUNIOR BEEF CALF CHAMPION CHILD EFFORT JUNIOR BEEF CALF CHAMPION OF CHAMPIONS BEEF CALF</i>

HOME & SCHOOL COMMITTEE NEWS

The Home and School Committee would like to thank the families who have helped out and supported the fundraising we have done!

Just a reminder what your help has supported the school with (but not limited to):

- The swimming pool which everyone enjoys
- Classroom trips
- Chrome books
- The new playground

These have been made possible because of the fundraising over the years, and the support we receive from the school community.

Everyone who supported the Calf and Lamb Day, thank you! We greatly appreciate your efforts in selling the multi-draw tickets! Donating items, helping with set up, pack down and helping on the day... We are only a small group of people, so the help is amazing and makes it possible to do great fundraisers for the children!! This year the amount raised from Calf and Lamb day was another record breaking total and was over \$17,000!

The next big fundraiser is the Trail Bike Ride on 22nd and 23rd November and WE NEED HELPERS!!! Don't own a bike? No worries! We have other jobs needing helpers including parking, sticker check, BBQ tent and the Rego tent. Got a spare hour or two one or both days, put your name down! If you own a bike and can ride it, we need Marshall's riding around the track. The more people we get involved and helping, the easier it will be for everyone. This is a 2 day event so please don't leave it up to a select few to do it all! HELP US SUCCEED!

Thank you everyone!



The rugby league season may have finished a while ago, but notification of the accolades have continued! Congratulations to:

Boston Marsters - Player of the Year, Ngatea Under 7's

Jack Kelly - Most Improved Player, Ngatea Under 7's

Matthias Turner - Sportsmanship, Ngatea Under 9's

We always like to hear the successes of our students, regardless of whether they are current or past! Last Wednesday, Hauraki Plains College held their 2025 Sports Prizegiving to celebrate the sporting achievements of their students. Congratulations to the following ex-Mangatangi School students who all had outstanding sporting results with their teams and/or were recognised individually:

James Boyd-Beazley - Most Dedicated 'B" player Boys 2nd XI Hockey

Deana Jensen - Most Valuable Player HPC Social Netball

Toby Kemble - Most Outstanding Player HPC U15 Boys White Rugby, Junior Achievement Award for Athletics, Junior All Round Excellence Trophy

Zoe Kiely - Most Improved Senior Mixed Touch Player

Ellie Martin - Most Valuable Player Girls 1st XI Football, Most Runs Girls 1st XI Cricket, Tennis & Badminton

Anaru Ormsby - Most Consistent Player 1st XV Rugby

Precious Ormsby - Netball

Luke Rowberry - Most Improved Junior Boys Basketball

Hemi Smith - Touch Rugby

Bailey Soppet-Main - Swimming, Rugby, Dairy Young Handlers

Dylan van Mil - Most Improved Oarsman Rowing

Max Wicks - Back of the Year U55 Rugby

END OF YEAR PRIZE GIVING

Make a note in your calendars as our End of Year Prize Giving is fast approaching!

Details are as follows:

WHEN: Tuesday 16th December

TIME: 1:00pm

WHERE: Mangatangi Hall

Note, this is the last day of school for the students



NOTICES

CROSSROADS CHURCH, MANGATANGI,
PRESENTS

LIGHT PARTY

Free Community Event!

OCT 31
5-7 PM

FUN ACTIVITIES FOR THE KIDS INCLUDE:
BOUNCY CASTLES, GAMES, ~~DISCOS~~, FACE PAINTING, CANDY FLOSS & SAUSAGE SIZZLE.

- CHILDREN MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY A SUPERVISING ADULT
- COSTUMES WELCOME BUT NO SCARY ONES PLEASE (THIS IS A POSITIVE ALTERNATIVE TO HALLOWEEN)

@ CROSSROADS CHURCH MANGATANGI [CORNER OF MIRANDA & KAIAUA ROAD]

Waikato
COUNCIL

 FIND US ON FACEBOOK FOR MORE INFORMATION

Join us for the Red Fox

KIDS HALLOWEEN PARTY

Lolly Grab
Spooky treats for all kids
Best dressed Boy & Girl prize
Special kids meals

FRI 31 OCT
3.30PM - 8.00PM*



*Children must be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian. Event for little ones to 13 years old.

NGATEA ATHLETICS CLUB 2025

HUGH HAYWARD DOMAIN
MONDAY NIGHTS
6:00PM

Ages 1-4 Track & field events each week **\$10 PARTICIPANT**

Ages 5-14

SEASON DATES
3 Nov - 8 Dec
9 Feb - 6 Mar

Register Now!



For more info visit Ngatea Athletics Club Facebook page

BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL CARE

BEFORE SCHOOL CARE
At Mangatangi School
Available Monday - Friday
by prior arrangement only
7:15am - 8:10am
Contact Ashleigh on
021 047 1655

AFTER SCHOOL CARE
At Mangatangi School
Monday - Friday,
by prior arrangement only
3:00 - 5:00pm
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027 294 1684