



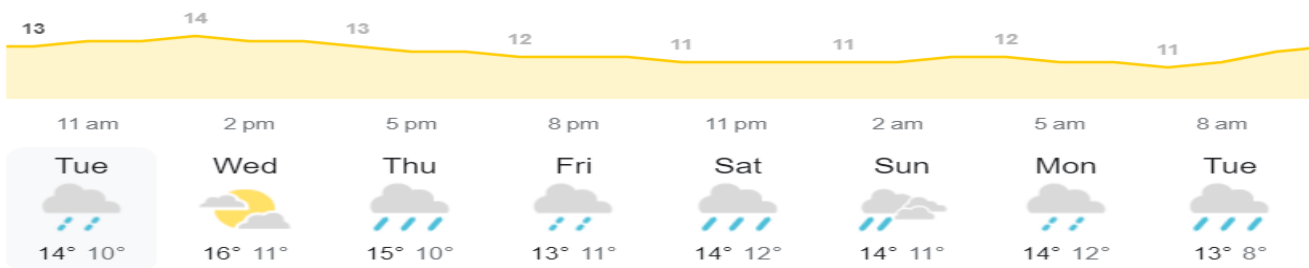
Te Kura o Hau Karetu

He waka eke noa: *We're all in this waka together*
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Kia ora, Talofa Lava, Mālō e lelei, Kia orana, Namaste, Kumusta,

Wow, have we had some wild weather lately! 😊 And very sadly, it looks as though Wednesday is the best looking day, and then we're back into the rain! If your child has gumboots, please encourage your child to wear them to school – any other shoes haven't got a chance in this kind of weather. Also, a reminder to please send your active child to school with a change of clothes, just in case. Thank you.



**Learning
Support
Awareness
Day**

29 August 2024

International Learning Support Awareness Day:

A reminder – please wear purple this Thursday to support students who are learning diverse.

Also, from 5-6pm, we are holding a hui for parents of children who are learning diverse this Thursday from 5-6pm in the hall. Childcare provided, as well as pizza and movie for the kids. There will be a Speech Language Therapist from the Ministry of Education there, and as well, an activity where we get to create a letter to the Minister of Education about the under funding of our children with Learning Support needs.

Fathers' Day Raffle:

I'm plugging the raffle. Please purchase tickets as we haven't sold many at all. There are some cool things in our raffle for Dad on Fathers' Day. Tickets are \$2. The raffle will be drawn this Friday at assembly at 9am. PLEASE SELL YOUR TICKETS – FUNDRAISING GOES TOWARDS SENIOR CAMP. Thank you.



Kaupapa mō te wiki/Value for the week:

Whakaute/Respect: Looking after our things. Put things back, or we're not going to get them back! We have noticed loads of things being left around lately, and we know that if we don't respect the things we have, then they will disappear, be ruined and we won't have them to play with anymore.



Congratulations to these people who won a Principal's Award on Friday. Our Kaupapa/value for last week was on Atawhai/Kindness, being kind to ourselves by saying positive things to ourselves. Kiwis are generally self-deprecating/modest, but in order for our children to feel confident in their abilities, we want to build their mana up to feel as though they can conquer the world! We think you people are incredible – love ya work!

Camp Fundraising:

We are holding a movie night for We Were Dangerous which is rated M (13 years and over). Tickets are \$20. Wednesday 25th September at 6pm at Monterey Cinemas, Upper Hutt. Thank you to Chelsea Bensen who has organised this. Please purchase your tickets from Roseanne or Rachel at the office.

Property news: - Dayna has completed the new drain outside of Te Mataahae. THANKS DAYNA – THIS WORKS REALLY WELL AND WE DIDN'T HAVE ANY WATER POOLING OUTSIDE OF TE MATAAHAE YESTERDAY!

Fire Compliance – you may have noticed red wires hanging out of buildings at the moment. These are not live wires, they are for our new fire alarm upgrade. This should be all finished by October.



Taki Rua: Taki Rua came to perform for us on Friday. They were amazing! While the performance was carried out in Te Reo Maori, it was easy for everyone to follow. Our tamariki and staff really enjoyed it.



Coming up...

Wednesday 11th September is Wig and Onesie Day. We are fundraising for Child Cancer and Wellington Free Ambulance. Wear a Onesie or wear a wig/crazy hairdo. Please bring a donation to support these great causes. Thank you.



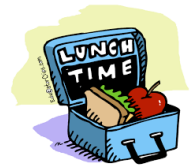
Heads up:

- **Kutu/Nits** – please check your child's head on a daily basis for nits. We have children from multiple classes who are itching. We have treatments at school – please see Rachel or Roseanne for treatments. Please tie your child's hair up if it is long. Thank you.
- **School Start and Finish & Attendance:** Please remember that school begins at 9am and finishes at 3pm. It's important children are at school **every day and on time**. However, we would rather children were at school late than not at all. Getting to school by 9am is important for children's routines. Thank you.
- **MUD!** A reminder to give young children a change of clothes – especially pants. If your child comes up to the office wet and muddy and we have run out of clothes to put them in, we will call you to come and collect them. Thank you.
- **Absences:** If your child is not going to be at school, please advise the office via text on 0275269552, or via the Skool Loop app. Make sure you tell us the reason they are absent.
- **Entry in to and from School: Mornings** - drop your child off at the front gate or the back. Our carpark can be quite full and it's safer to drop your child off at the gate and have them walk in. You do not need to drop them to the office unless they are running late – thank you.



End of the day –

- Front gates are closed all day from 9.30am-3.10pm. We will cross children over at the end of the day. Please use the “crossing”.
- Back gates: These are locked during the day and will be opened again at 3pm. There will be two walking bus teachers to walk your children to the intersection of Hillside Drive, Moeraki, and Norana Roads and will be crossed over by the road patrollers.
- **Breakfast Club:** Runs 5 days per week from 8 – 9.30am. We are always in need of volunteers for Breakfast Club please. If you would like to volunteer for this job, please advise Roseanne or Rachel at the office. Thank you.
- **Lunches in Schools:** We provide lunches each day. The kai will be offered to every child. All children are expected to at least try the kai.
- **Water only:** We are a water only school which means children can only drink water while they are at school. We would encourage your child to bring a drink bottle of water each day.
- **Assemblies:** We hold our weekly celebration Assembly on Fridays at 9am. All whanau are welcome to attend.
- **School Policies:** Our school policies and procedures can be found at schooldocs.co.nz, username: maoribank and password waka. We would encourage you to check these out as we will ask you to have your say on their review every three years. Our current policies for review are:
 - Concerns and Complaints
 - Media
 - Performance Management
 - Protected Disclosure
 - Professional Development
 - Staff Conduct
 - Staff Leave




Ngā mihi nui

Karen Wellington,

Kaihautu/Timekeeper on the Waka

Schedule of Events Term 3, 2024

Week 6 26-30 Aug	Thursday – Hui for Families of Children who are Neurodiverse – 5pm. Focus on speech language, and a letter to the government. Thursday, International Learning Support Day – wear purple to school on this day.
Week 7 2-6 Sept	Tuesday - Rippa Rugby at TMP – Matua Shea will send details soon. Thursday is postponement day.
Week 8 9-13 Sept	Wednesday – Wig and Onesie Day. Fundraising for Child Cancer and Wellington Free Ambulance. Wear a Onesie or wear a wig/crazy hairdo. Please bring a donation.

Week 9 16-20 Sept	Te Wiki o te Reo Māori – Māori Language Week. Watch this space, as you can be sure we'll be doing something amazing throughout this week.	
Week 10 23-27 Sept	Book Week and Book Character Day on Friday. Structured Literacy Information Evening for parents Monday 5.30pm. Mrs Wellington gets her new puppy this weekend!	

MINOR AILMENTS SCHEME, UPPER HUTT AND LOWER HUTT

We want to help people in the Hutt Valley to access healthcare for minor illnesses where and when they need it.

Pharmacists can help to support the health of your family; they can provide advice and treatment for common minor illnesses for all ages.

The minor health conditions service (also referred to as minor ailments), launched in Upper Hutt in December 2022, is now available in several Lower Hutt pharmacies. This service enables eligible people to consult with a pharmacist at selected local pharmacies, and if appropriate, access free approved medicine.

The service is to help people with minor illnesses to access healthcare at a pharmacy and is available for:

- Children under 14 years of age, and whānau members* (any age), with the same symptoms
- Community services card (CSC) holders
- Māori and pacific people

**For example, if the pharmacist gives your tamariki medicine for scabies and you, or brothers or sisters also have symptoms, they may give advice and medicine to all of you.*

The conditions that pharmacists can help you with include:

- Skin ailments (nits, eczema, scabies, fungal infections)
- Eye inflammation
- Dehydration (usually from vomiting and diarrhoea).
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The participating pharmacy locations are:

Upper Hutt

- [Lagans Pharmacy](#)
- [Queen St Pharmacy](#)
- [Unichem Maidstone Pharmacy](#)
- [Unichem Upper Hutt Health Pharmacy](#)
- [Unichem Upper Hutt Pharmacy](#)

Lower Hutt

- [Taita Pharmacy](#)
- [Naenae Pharmacy](#)
- [Owles Pharmacy - Naenae](#)
- [Wainuiomata Pharmacy](#)
- [Clives Chemist](#)

Click on the links above to access Healthpoint, for pharmacy opening hours and addresses.

In most cases, bookings are not required, phone or pop in to see your friendly community pharmacist. All advice and treatment is conducted in a professional and confidential manner.

Remember a pharmacist can provide advice on, and treat common and minor illnesses with a range of medications. The pharmacist will refer patients to a GP or other health care service if the patient's condition requires it.