

NEWSLETTER

Principal's News

Kia ora koutou

We may be nearing the end of the school year but the schedule is very busy for the rest of the term. Here's an update to keep you in the loop about the many things happening at school over the next few weeks.

Classroom Changes for 2026 / Transition Sessions: At our recent staff meeting we discussed our staffing and classes for 2026. As a result of this discussion, a number of children will be moving to a new classroom next year. Class lists for 2026 will be shared with parents next week.

Over the next few weeks we will be providing transition sessions so children who are moving classes have the chance to look around their new classroom and share ideas about how it can be changed to suit their needs, get to know their teacher, and start forming connections with the other children who will be in their space next year.

Our Year 8 students have also been taking part in transition sessions with our Resource Teacher for Learning and Behaviour (RTLB) to help them prepare for their move to high school next year. These sessions give them a chance to ask any questions they may have and learn some of the skills they will need to successfully transition into secondary school. These sessions are always well received and we have seen a real change in mindset since we started providing them.

Living Museum - Thursday 27 November: Our children have been using their drama, dance, singing and visual art skills to create a 'Living Museum' experience for our school whānau and community. This will be open for our school whānau and community to come along. During the viewings we will have children dressed up as famous New Zealanders, interest projects on display, a senior art exhibition and a Junior School performance.

Our Living Museum will be open on Thursday 27 November. We have decided to have two sessions so more people get the opportunity to come. Our first session will be from 1:30-3pm and our second session will be from 6.00-7:30pm

Please keep an eye out for other notices relating to this as we need your support to help pull off this amazing event.

Ngā mihi Laila and the team at Manaia School



Important Information

IMPORTANT DATES

What's coming up for the rest of the term...

- Thurs 13 Nov: Science Fair: Room 2 students will be travelling to New Plymouth to take part.
- . THIS FRIDAY 14 Nov:
 - Last day to order School Photos if you want them back by end of term (see below)
 - Last day to order \$5 Parent Offer Duffy Books: Ordering forms have been sent home.
- Fri 21 Nov: School Disco: A fun fundraiser for Senior Camp (details on front)
- Mon 17 Nov: Te Paepae o Aotea Transition Day: For Year 8 students who will attending TPPOA in 2026
- Thurs 27 Nov: Living Museum: Our twist on an end of year performance. The school will be transforming into
 a Living Museum, with two showings- 1:30-3pm & 6-7:30pm. We hope you can all come along and join
 us for this exciting event! (a separate notice with more details will be sent out next week)
- . 1-5 Dec: Year 7 & 8 Camp Micamp Taupo: Room 1 whānau have been fundraising all year for this exciting event
- Thurs 4 Dec: Road Patrollers Reward Day Swim & lunch at Hawera Pools. For Room 2 Road Patrol students as
 Room 1 will be at camp. (a separate notice will be sent home closer to the date)
- Tues 9 Dec: Room 3 & JLH End of Year Trip Pool & lunch at Stratford (Permission slips will go out closer to date)

 Leavers Graduation Dinner at Marbles in New Plymouth
- Wed 10 Dec: Room 2 End of Year Trip to New Plymouth Aquatic Centre (Permission slips will go out closer to date)
- Tues 16 Dec: Whole School Tabloid Sports Day A fun event with lots of different activities to try
- Wed 17 Dec: Whole School Water Fun & Colour Run Afternoon Our favourite way to finish off a busy year
- Thursday 18 Dec: Final Assembly & Prizegiving 11.00am in the school hall Everyone Welcome

Last day of school for 2025

Phew! ...and then it's time for a well earned break for everyone

Ordering School Photos

As previously advised our school photos are ready to order!

To Order: You can view and order photos directly from the AJ Photography website. https://aiphotographynz.pixieset.com/manaiaschool/ or scan the QR code.

Please note: For privacy reasons you'll need a password to access the photos.
A flyer with the details & the password has been sent home - or contact us if you need it again.



What photos are available to order? All classrooms, individual photos of all students who were present on the day, sibling photos if you had pre-booked them and a sports photo of our basketball & netball teams.

Costs: There are a lot of different packages and ordering options available on the website. Click on 'Print Store' to view the different package options. Costs of standard type school photos are:-

- Class & Sports Photos: \$18 each (20x30) + \$4 if you want it laminated
- Individual or Sibling Photos: \$18 large print (20x30) / \$10 small print (10x15) + \$4 for laminating
 \$10 for a digital download- reduced to \$5 if you're also ordering a printed photo.

Please order by 14 November if you want them before school finishes

(you can still order after this date but may not receive them until school returns next year)

Please contact the school if you would like help ordering or have any queries