

NEWSLETTER



Congratulations to our 2024 Whānau Leaders

Awhina Leaders: Boston & Kaydence **Kotahi Leaders:** Jahquila & Jaxon **Kaha Leaders:** Mathew & Manawa

Principal's News

Kia ora koutou

This term is certainly speeding by! It was exciting to announce our whānau leaders this week. Our seniors all had the chance to write cover letters to apply for these positions. We decided to change it up a bit and add a little more student voice and choice this year. After talking with our seniors, the decision was made that staff would choose a leader for each group and the leaders would be given the opportunity to choose their Deputy. Our seniors are excited about this new approach. I look forward to watching them all build on their leadership capabilities. As part of their training for this role, our new leaders will be attending a Leadership conference in Palmerston North next week. Thanks to the Gallie Family Trust for sponsoring this experience.

What a great result from Kaponga Athletics yesterday - our first win in this competition! This is a great testament to our children's attitude and efforts. A lot of our children stepped up and challenged themselves to give their personal best. I'm sure the training they have done along with the support from our school whānau on the sidelines helped with this result. A big thank you to Moses for coaching the children prior to this event and to Keesha Craig for supporting our staff and tamariki on the day. Check out our photos inside...

We still have a few events on before the end of term so be sure to keep checking our newsletters for updates. Our next big event is our **Hopes & Dreams Meetings** on **Tuesday 19 March - 3:15-6pm & Thursday 21 March 3:15-5pm**. A notice with further information will be coming home early next week.

Please also note that we are having an **Early Finish** on **Wednesday 20 March** so that staff can attend a compulsory union meeting being held in Normanby at 1.30pm. The school will remain open but we are asking our school whānau to support our teachers by **picking their children up at 1pm** if possible as staffing will be very limited in the afternoon.

Ngā Mihi

Laila and the team at Manaia School

Kaponga Athletics Day



A big shout out to Mosese Snr for coming to coach and mentor our children prior to athletics day. Mosese used his extensive athletic knowledge and experience to teach the children about the importance of mindset and the principles of good sportsmanship, as well as coaching them in the practical skills of running. His mentoring and encouragement meant all of our students felt way more confident about taking part and giving their best. How lucky are we to have someone from our school whānau stepping up to share their knowledge with us. Thank you Mosese!



Kaponga Athletics Day



The weather wasn't that great but our tamariki sure were! They were kind, respectful, gave their all and showed awesome sportsmanship. We are very proud of all of them. **Winners after 23 years of trying!**



Important Information

IMPORTANT DATES What's Happening in Term 1

- **Monday 11 March: Taranaki Anniversary - NO SCHOOL** Enjoy your long weekend
- **Wed 13 March: Grip Leadership Conference in Palmerston North:** For our Whānau Leaders
- **Wednesday 20 March: Early Finish 1.00pm** as staff are required to attend a Compulsory Staff Union Meeting in the afternoon. The school will remain open but we are asking our school whānau to **pick their children up at 1pm** if possible as staffing will be limited.
- **Tuesday 19 & Thursday 21 March: Hopes and Dreams Meetings:** A separate notice will be sent out with more information.
- **Thursday 21 March: Board Meeting @ 5.30pm**
- **Wednesday 27 March: Eggstravaganza:** Invites and more info will go out closer to the date.
- **Friday 29 March - Tuesday 2 April: Easter Holidays- NO SCHOOL** School will start back after Easter on Wed 3 April
- **Friday 12 April: Last day of Term 1**

It's getting colder out there! Do you need warmer uniform items?

We have hoodies for \$45 and fleeces for \$48.

Please contact the office if you're needing to order anything - we have most sizes in stock

Job Vacancy



MANAIA SCHOOL Casual On-Call Cleaner

We are seeking an honest, reliable person to undertake cleaning duties at the school on a casual on-call basis to fill in on occasions when our regular cleaner is unavailable.

Applicants will need to be conscientious with an eye for detail.

This job will require the successful applicant to work approximately 2-3 hours on days when they are called in. Hours are to be worked outside of school hours, usually starting at 3.15pm but can be negotiated.

Please Note: As this is an on-call position you will need to be available at short notice, although we will always give as much notice as possible

To Apply: Please provide a letter stating your relevant employment history or skills. The successful applicant will need to be police vetted.

Please email your application to: principal@manaia.school.nz or drop it into the school office.

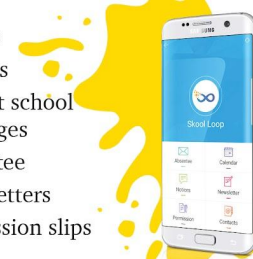
Applications to be received by noon on Friday 22 March 2024

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