

Mangatawhiri School Newsletter 2025



Responsibility ~ Haepapa, Respect ~ Whakautu, Resilience ~ Aumangea It's the Mangatawhiri Way
"In life we learn, in school we nurture the spirit for life" STRIVE ON

26th May 2025

Dear Parents & Community Members,
 Kia Ora Koutou Katoa,



Harold arrived to some eager yellow people on Friday! We had lots of fun learning with Leiset and Harold as classes looked at peer pressure, relationships, vaping, decision-making, brain development, and food and nutrition. It was always a valuable annual visit to our school. Life Ed will be with us until Wednesday.

Huge thanks to all our parents/Grandparents for your support & transport to the Franklin football competitions last week. It is really appreciated and allows our students to participate in valuable learning opportunities beyond the school grounds. **We have some parents parking in staff carpark spots! We have 18 staff to accommodate, as well as daily visitors to the school. Parents, please DO NOT park in the staff parking area by Rooms 1&2 or in the staff parking bay by the astro court fence. Thank you.**

It looks like we are in for a wet week. Urgh! Try to stay dry & warm. Have a lovely week.

Sharron Scouse

PRINCIPAL



- ☺ **Nicole Falkner** ~ Attending Calf Club Group Day AGM
- ☺ **Maramarua School** ~ Dropping off some donated chicken cages
- ☺ **Mrs Ormsby** ~ Friday lunch organisation



American Hot Dog

\$4.00

Order from the lunch team in R8 on Wednesday morning, BEFORE school



- ☺ **Fateh Singh & Luca Parata Assembly MCs**
- ☺ **Room 7 ~ Hosting assembly & sharing ~ My Quality Maps, crystals & Mophead Feelings**



★ ★ **STAR STUDENTS' WEEK 4:** ★ ★

Room 1: Marcus Spillane

~ Showing The Mangatawhiri Way in all aspects

Room 3: Remy Cullen

~ Outstanding effort & progress in reading

Room 4: Alex Smith

~ Outstanding effort & progress in writing very creative ideas

Room 5: Finn Stanton

~ Super motivated learner

Room 6: Harry Vujcich

~ Learning lots of Kupu Māori

Room 7: Ariah Talman

~ Your resilience & determination with all your learning

Room 8: Harper Cullen

~ Outstanding creative writing & resilience in maths

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Room 9: Reegan de Bruin

~ Trying new things & stepping out of your comfort zone

Mrs Irwin: Gordon Clotworthy

~ Outstanding persuasive writing



SCHOOL AWARDS WEEK 4:



Class Award: Room 8

~ Leading paepae across the school

Learning Award: Ava Bright

~ Amazing progress in reading

Sport Award: Y5,6,7&8 Franklin Soccer Teams

~ Outstanding participation & sportsmanship



Year 5&6 Franklin Football Teams



Y7&8 Franklin Football Teams

Staff Award: Hayley Vujcich

~ Awesome organisation of our Franklin Soccer participation

Parent Award: Mr & Mrs Bilo

~ Your awesome support & encouragement of our boys' soccer team

Parent Award: Franklin Soccer Parents/Grandparents

~ Your awesome support & encouragement of our Franklin soccer tournament

Mangatawhiri Way: Melissa de Jonge

~ Always being helpful & supporting your peers

Mr Green: Sophie Crawford

~ Huge progress on drums

Clean Class: Room 5



BEST BUS PEOPLE:



**Declan Chitekwe, Bryson Heta, Opal Flavell,
Jade de Jonge**



MANGATAWHIRI WAY: WEEK 4



175 Vouchers: Aleah van den Brink



Aleah van den Brink



MANGATAWHIRI WAY



WEEK 4

**1st Kauri ~ 380 points 2nd Manuka ~ 330 points
3rd Rimu ~ 250 points 4th Tanekaha ~ 200 points**



MANGATAWHIRI WAY



TERM 2

**1st Kauri ~2,570 points 2nd Tanekaha ~2,060 points
3rd Manuka ~ 1,720 points 4th Rimu ~ 1,550 points**



HOUSE PEOPLE OF WEEK 4:



KAURI:



Selected by Lewis Bodman & Sam van Dam

Jasmine Topp ~ Stepping up to do duties when Lewis & I were away at soccer

Noel Linton ~ When there was a problem on the bike track, he fixed it without being asked



MANUKA:



Selected by Carter Black & Toby Johnson

Izaak Clark ~ Always saying hello & having a chirpy attitude



RIMU:



Selected by Mason Brears & Maddy Black

Nikora Bailey ~ Trying really hard on your maths test

Penny Abernethy ~ Being enthusiastic & positive



TANEKAHA:



Selected by Bronte Peter & Jax Walter

Sophie Crawford ~ Being kind & always saying hello to me

Jackson Bullivant ~ Acknowledging others positively & being kind



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HOUSE POINTS:

WEEK 4

1st **Manuka** ~ 320 points 2nd **Kauri** ~ 290 points
3rd **Rimu** ~ 270 points 4th **Tanekaha** ~ 260 points



HOUSE POINTS:

TERM 2

1st **Kauri** ~ 1,030 points 2nd **Rimu & Manuka** ~ 950 points
3rd **Tanekaha** ~ 930 points

2024 GROUP DAY TROPHIES:



If you won a **GROUP DAY Trophy** in 2024 held at our School, please return the trophies to Mrs Ormsby **URGENTLY**. They do not need to be cleaned.

CALF CLUB 2025

Friday 10th October

We are underway with plans for our 2025 Calf Club. Those families wishing to raise chickens for this year's event will need to place orders and pay for their chickens to Mrs Ormsby by **Thursday, 26th June**.



- If this is your first Calf Club, then a chicken is a nice way to be introduced to it
- They **MUST** be purchased through our school, with everyone receiving their chickens on the same day to rear
- We would recommend buying at least 2 chickens (in case of illness & death) – maximum order 5 per person
- We have information sheets on what is needed to prepare for having chickens and how to raise them
- Please contact Mrs Ormsby to order and pay for your chickens
- Pullets cost \$5.00 each

**Orders MUST be in & paid for
by Thursday, 26th June**

NO LATE ORDERS

Delivery Day is Friday, 18th July



Congratulations Emily McHardy



We celebrate the return of **Emily McHardy** from competing in the Cheer Summit held in America. Emily and her team achieved 4th out of the 52 teams in her category!

If you want to see the prize-winning cheer, click the link below.

A phenomenal achievement. Congratulations Emily! See if you can spot her. She's one of the flyers at the top!

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=E54MluKzX8I>



School Calendar!

		WEEK 5: Monday 26th May: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> School Newsletter 📄
Tuesday 27th May: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr Green's music sessions 🎵 	Wednesday 28th May: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Life Education caravan leaves 	
Friday 30th May: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fun Day Friday: Royalty 8.45am R9 Technology 2pm R6 School Assembly in the hall 		
WEEK 6: Monday 2nd June: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> King's Birthday Holiday School Closed 	Tuesday 3rd June: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> School Newsletter 📄 Mr Green's music sessions 🎵 	
Wednesday 4th June: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Science van show 	Friday 6th June: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fun Day Friday: 8.45am R8 Technology 2pm R5 School Assembly in the hall 	
WEEK 7: Monday 9th June: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> School Newsletter 📄 Book week 	Tuesday 10th June: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr Green's music sessions 🎵 	
Thursday 12th June: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Y7&8 Kia O Rahi Tournament 	Friday 13th June: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fun Day Friday: 8.45am R9 Technology 1.15pm Perform Show No Assembly 	
WEEK 8: Monday 16th June: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> School Newsletter 📄 6pm Board Mtg 	Tuesday 17th June: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr Green's music sessions 🎵 	
Friday 20th June: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Matariki Holiday School Closed 	WEEK 9: Monday 23rd June: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> School Newsletter 📄 Mid-Year Reports Live 	

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Tuesday 24th June:

- Mr Green's music sessions 🎵
- Franklin Y7&8 Speeches' 🗨️
- 6pm School Music Concert

Wednesday 25th June:

- Franklin Y5&6 Speeches' 🗨️

Friday 27th June:

- Fun Day Friday:
- 8.45am R8 Technology
- 1.45pm Term 2 Assembly
- Term 2 Ends ➡️

TERM 3:**Monday 14th July:**

- 8.30am Welcome assembly
- School Newsletter 📄

2025 SCHOOL BOARD REPORT TO THE COMMUNITY



Thank you to Board members for attending our May Meeting & to **Tracey Weight & Laura Biggelaar** for hosting the meeting

Highlights from the meeting:

- The Board welcomes interest from those who may like to stand for Board elections (to be held in September). Please speak to any current member of the board or attend one of our meetings

School Docs Review for Term 2

- Planning and Preparing for Emergencies, Disasters, and Crises (board)
- Communication During an Emergency, Disaster, or Crisis (board)
- Emergency Closure (board)
- Emergency Management
- Disaster Management
- Crisis Management
- Parents are welcome to make comments on these policies through the School Docs website, User Name: Manga 1345 PW: Strive On
- Term 2 School Wide Theme ~ Science
- Orienteering & Football have been a big focus with Franklin & Auckland Champ events
- The winter term clubs programme has begun with students involved in Kapa Haka, Art, Gardening, Chess & Choir. Students from across all classes are involved in these lunchtime programmes.

Reporting to Parents

- This is a concern in regards to the new curriculum, staff professional development is still underway, and no direction (as yet) from the MoE T. Schumacher & S. Scouse participated in a MoE Zoom, no information was shared on MoE Expectations - they are embargoed and not for public as yet. In discussion with the leadership team and staff, we have made the call to remove reading, writing, maths graphs, and record a comment for the curriculum areas for the end-of-term 2 reports due. These will be followed by 3-Way conferences in week 1, term 3.
- Our school is well placed to implement the new English and Maths curriculum. We have focused on the Maths curriculum to date.
- Our Staff are currently involved in Professional Development in Mathematics. We intend to follow this with Professional Development in Structured Literacy.
- It is important to note that the Ministry of Education - Literacy and Mathematics new curriculum documents are still in an implementation stage.

- While some teaching is year-level based, much of what we do is tailored to students' individual next learning steps.
- 2025 is a transition year. Reporting to parents may still reflect parts of the existing curriculum and assessment, until 2026 when we have completed our professional development and have assessment tools that are fully aligned to the new curriculum."
- Our staff are currently trialling phonics checks. Phonics tests are not compulsory till 2026.
- Our school already has a parent portal, HERO, that provides parents with information on their child's progress. We highly value the partnership we have with parents. Years 5 to 8 students are learning how to upload their learning to share with parents.

The next Board meeting is Monday, 16 June

Richard van Dam

Presiding Member

Monday Mingle

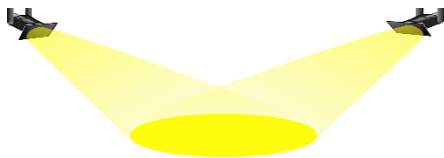


Room 4 had some creative designs being made with LEGO this morning.



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**CLASS SPOTLIGHT
THIS WEEK: ROOM 7**

Term 2 in Room 7!

We started Term 2 with an ANZAC focus where we learnt all about the difference between the different wars. We did plays to present what we had learnt, art to portray a scene from one of the wars and we put ourselves into a soldier's shoes and wrote home to someone special. We had some great discussions and really got a feel for what war was like. We also created an impressive collaborative poppy art piece with Mrs Irwin.



Dear Mum and Dad,
We just arrived in Gallipoli. We lost two soldiers and it is not getting much better. We are losing money and the food is gross and cold. It is just tea and biscuits. I want to come home. When the day was done we all collected flowers to put on the graves last night. I lost a friend and I'm sad, but I am getting through it. Your affectionate daughter Maddy

Dear Dad,
I am writing this to you from the trenches. All of us are hot and it's much more humid in the trenches than out of them. The Turkish are non-stop firing at us. Some of my mates have trench foot and others are just lightly wounded unfortunately. I was shot yesterday. He got shot in the stomach as well as the foot. We've had three bayonet charges but I'm fine. The food is very boring but the ANZAC biscuits are fine. The rats in the trenches are the worst. They're huge.
From your loving son
Nate

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Dear Angel
 I am writing this to you to ask
 if you are feeling good. I think you
 are feeling good. Me and my
 friend David finished writing and
 has you for a ship. I'm the last
 letter and you have sent me that
 question what do you like and all.
 I can hear the soldiers yelling
 and gunshots. I can see soldiers
 running and shooting over enemy
 with guns. I miss playing cricket
 and other games with you. Even
 your brother Edith again



Science has been another focus this term. So far we have learnt about reactions. We have made ANZAC biscuits, Hokey Pokey, Magic Milk, Borax Crystals and explored why baking soda and vinegar react the way they do!



In Mitey we have been exploring using the Mophead book and using the story to learn about our differences and the how our cultures and backgrounds contribute to making us the special people we are. We have started learning about bullying and some the feelings that come with name calling. A great opportunity to develop our emotional literacy further!



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We like to publish sports results in our newsletter each week ~ Please send through results to: prinicpal@mangatawhiri.school.nz by 10am on Mondays



MARAMARUA RUGBY CLUB



Year 1 played Pukekohe won 12-11
Year 2 played Pukekohe lost 17-21 Merit **Freya Farnum**
Year 3 Green played Drury won 26-18
Year 3 Black played Karaka lost 23-11
Year 4 Black played Bombay lost 21-5
 Merit **Harrison Vennell**
Year 4 Green played Weymouth lost 4-15
Year 5 played Beachlands won 45-20
 Merit **Luca Parata**
Year 6 Bye
Year 7 played Ardmore won 35-19
 POD **Jack Dodds**
Year 8 played Weymouth won 103-0



MANGATAWHIRI NETBALL CLUB



Mangatawhiri Stars played St Joesphs Score 0-8
Magic played Patumahoe Draw 14 all
 Player of the day **Bronte Peter**



PUKEKOHE UNITED HOCKEY CLUB



Puke United Shotguns (Indie Vujcich) played Koikoi won 10-1

Rabbit Show

Come see Pure Breed Rabbits

**Bring your Pet Rabbit to the
 Pet show at 12:30pm
 Check In is between 12 to 12:30pm
 Must be in a suitable carry cage**

Date: Saturday, 31 May 2025
 10.00am to 2.00pm
 Visitors' entry is a gold coin donation.

At: Pokeno Community Hall
 69 Great South Rd, Pokeno
 Across from Gull
 Any enquiries please contact Mike on 027 287 0681



NZ MODERN SCHOOL OF MUSIC COUNTIES ANNUAL 46TH COMPETITIONS



**6th & 7th June 2025
 Friday and Saturday
 8.30am to late afternoon**



**Franklin Baptist Church
 128 Victoria Street
 Pukekohe**

Admission Cash Only
 \$5 Adults Children/Performers free

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