

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

16th June 2025

Dear Parents & Community Members,
 Kia Ora Koutou Katoa,



Fun Day Friday was a huge hit with all our book characters at school! It was a lot of fun. We had a special performance in the hall of a very cool book show to end our week of all things books & reading!



Parents, you have an incredibly important job to encourage and support reading happening at home.

13 benefits of reading aloud:



1. Develops language skills
2. Improves listening comprehension
3. Increases attention span
4. Builds vocabulary
5. Exposes the child to good grammar
6. Exposes the child to new experiences and information
7. Stimulates the imagination
8. Stimulates brain development
9. Promotes critical thinking skills
10. Creates a bond between the child and the reader
11. Builds confidence and self-esteem
12. Teaches values
13. **It's fun!**

Read it LOUD!
www.readitloud.org

At the end of this short week, we are celebrating our very special Matariki Celebration on Thursday. As we head into Matariki on Friday, 20 June, it's a special time to reflect, reset, and look forward to the year ahead. We would love you to come along and join us on Thursday.

Our Room 1 class, with Jenna Leenen, has some new people joining in, so to make room, we need to have a move-through of children from Room 1 to Room 3, from Room 3 to Room 4, and from Room 4 to Room 5. The team has it all in hand, and the children will have opportunities to visit their new classroom. As we do so many things together as a junior team and school-wide, there shouldn't be much of an adjustment to be made.



After 12 years running her own After School Programme, **Tammy Andrew** is on the move. It has been an absolute pleasure to have the bubbly Tammy providing a valuable care programme for so many of our school families over the last 12 years. She will be greatly missed by us all. I want to thank Tammy for all that she has done for our school as a parent, professional colleague, and friend. We wish her all the best in her career move in the field of Mental Health & Wellbeing. We know she will be very successful in this role.

The good news is Tammy is handing over her business to **Hannah Burney** (Keanu's mum). Hannah will be learning the ropes over the next two weeks and will take on the business from Week 1, Term 3. Any queries, contact Hannah Burney 022 652 9004 or Hannahoburney@gmail.com. Welcome aboard, Hannah. We look forward to working alongside you.

Movie Night was a great success. We had 90 students come in to watch the movies and enjoy being at school in the dark on a Saturday night, eating treats! Thank you to the House Leadership Team for all their efforts and to Tracey Schumacher, Hayley Vujcich, and Rachael Stanton for your support.

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- ☺ Mrs Ormsby ~ Friday lunch organisation
- ☺ Danielle Sattler ~ Adding another business to our Fuel for Schools sponsorship
- ☺ Nana Lyn ~ Yummy date scones for staff on Friday
- ☺ Nana Lynsay ~ Maths book binding
- ☺ Susan Young ~ Guest reader & junior speech judge
- ☺ Junior Parents ~ Attending Junior Speech Finals
- ☺ Alan Bruce ~ Installing the new playground swing, which has been a huge hit!
- ☺ House Leaders ~ organising a great movie night
- ☺ Tracey Schumacher, Rachael Stanton, Sharron Scouse & Hayley Vujcich for your support at Movie Night



NO FRIDAY LUNCH SCHOOL CLOSED



Shared Matariki Lunch on Thursday
One plate per family, please
Bring to the staffroom on Thursday morning



MANGATAWHIRI WAY



WEEK 7

1st Kauri ~ 740 points 2nd Rimu ~ 670 points
3rd Manuka ~ 730 points 4th Tanekaha ~ 480 points



MANGATAWHIRI WAY



TERM 2

1st Kauri ~ 4,010 points 2nd Rimu ~ 3,330 points
3rd Manuka ~ 3,130 points 4th Tanekaha ~ 2,750 points



HOUSE POINTS:



WEEK 7

1st Kauri ~ 370 points 2nd Tanekaha ~ 290 points
3rd Manuka ~ 280 points 4th Rimu ~ 200 points



HOUSE POINTS:



TERM 2

1st Kauri ~ 1,960 points 2nd Manuka ~ 1,700 points
3rd Rimu ~ 1,690 points 4th Tanekaha ~ 1,680 points



WEEK 8:

Monday 16th June:

- 8.50am R8 Technology
- School Newsletter
- 6pm Board Mtg

Tuesday 17th June:

- Mr Green's music sessions



Thursday 19th June:

- Matariki School Celebration All welcome
- 12pm Shared lunch – one plate per family, please



Friday 20th June:

- Matariki Holiday
- School Closed



WEEK 9:

Monday 23rd June:

- 8.30am Speech winners Assembly in the hall
- School Newsletter
- Mid-Year Reports Live

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: Free Muffin
- 1.45pm Term 2 Assembly
- Term 2 Ends

TERM 3:

Monday 14th July:

- 8.30am Welcome assembly
- School Newsletter

CALF CLUB 2025 ~ Friday 10th October

Those families wishing to raise chickens for this year's Calf Club need to place orders and pay for their chickens to Mrs Ormsby by **Thursday, 26th June**.



- We would recommend buying at least 2 chickens (in case of illness & death) – maximum order 5
- Pullets cost \$5.00 each

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

Delivery Day is Friday, 18th July



SCHOOL CHROME BOOKS FOR SALE



SALE ENDS THURSDAY THIS WEEK

Please email Tracey Schumacher traceys@mangatawhiri.school.nz if you would like to buy any.

Payment: Made via Internet banking.

There are no limits on how many you can buy - first in, first served!

ASB Bank Account: Mangatawhiri School Board of Trustees

Account Number: 1230 78 0092594 00

Enter: Family Name & Chrome Book

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MATARIKI

June 20th, 2025

Matariki is the Māori name for the Pleiades star cluster. The reappearance of Matariki in the night sky marks the beginning of Māori New Year.

WAYS TO CELEBRATE

- Remember loved ones who have passed.
- Spend time with friends and family.
- Share stories and reflect on the past year.
- Enjoy music, food, and games together

MĀNAWATIA
A MATARIKI!

All whānau are invited to come and join us to celebrate Matariki at Mangatawhiri School.

Thursday 19th June
THIS WEEK

NOTE CHANGE OF DATE

TIME: Any time from 8.45am-2.15pm

SHARED LUNCH: @ 12.00

Each family is asked to provide a plate to share for lunch.

Ko tēnei te wa whakanuia Matariki!
It's time to celebrate Matariki!

Tracey Weight

REPORTING TO PARENTS IN TERM 2 **HERO Mid-Year Check-in** **& Conferences Week 1 Term 3**



Monday 23rd June @ 4pm ~ HERO Mid-Year Check-in Reports go live for parents to view

Tuesday 15th July @ 1pm-5pm ~ 3-Way Conferences in Classrooms
(School will finish at 2.30pm as normal)

Thursday 17th July @ 3pm-6pm ~ 3-Way Conferences in Classrooms

Bookings made on the HERO App NOW

Please make every effort to meet with your child's teacher so that we can be the best team working together to benefit your child

TUESDAY 24th June **MID-YEAR MUSIC** **CONCERT**



6pm @ Mangatawhiri Hall

All students are expected to attend as their classrooms have been practicing their music items during term 2 with Mr Green to perform for you.

(They do not need to wear school uniform)
Come along and enjoy the very talented music programme that is happening across our school.



Gold coin donations collected at the door for fundraising to purchase new drum accessories – cymbals, drumsticks & music cables

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Junior School Speech Finals

Thank you to all the parents who attended our event and to Sue Young for judging



1st **Fletcher Campbell** ~ Duck Shooting

2nd **Opal Flavell** ~ I Eat

3rd **Penny Green** ~ My Flower



To the guitar students of
Modern School of Music's Event

Toby Johnson (3rd ~12-year-old comp)

Brooklyn Black (3rd ~11-year-old comp)

Willow Vennell (Highly Commended ~ 10-year-old comp)



Sean Oasan

SCHOOL SPEECH WINNERS

Fletcher Campbell ~ Junior Winner

Middle ~ TBC on Wednesday

Carter Black ~ Senior Winner

Monday 23rd June @ 8.30am

Mangatawhiri Hall

Parents are very welcome to join us



Our Year 5&6 winner and Year 7&8 winner go on to compete at the Franklin Speech Competition next week.



CALF CLUB PLANNING MEETING

Tuesday 22nd July @ 6.30 pm

in our Staffroom

Come along and help us get our planning underway!

ANIMAL DATES

Chickens: Must be purchased through the school - they are due on 18th July

Calf: 24th June ~ 31st July &
1st ~31st August = late

Goats: 1st July onwards

Lambs: 1st July ~ 18 August &
19th August onwards = late

School Calf Club = Friday 10th October

Group Day = Thursday 23rd October



SEASONS FOR GROWTH

Is a grief, loss, and change Programme for children 6- 12 years dealing with changes and challenges in their lives, e.g., separation, death, or other family changes. Our Afterschool Programme starts next term on Thursdays, 4-5 pm, is held in Pukekohe, and runs once a week for 8 weeks. An optional Parent Programme also runs at the same time. For enquiries or enrolments, please phone/text Marisa Mencarelli-Skilton on 021 142 5812, office (09) 238 7228, or email seasonsfranklin@xtra.co.nz. For more info, please go to www.pukekohecommunityaction.co.nz/seasons.

NGAA KURA + TE KAAHUI AKO O TE PUHA O WAIKATO
MĀTARIKI CELEBRATIONS

JOIN YOUR LOCAL SCHOOLS IN THEIR MĀTARIKI CELEBRATIONS!! FOR MORE INFO CONTACT YOUR LOCAL SCHOOL

TE KŌHĀNGA SCHOOL	IN SCHOOL ACTIVITIES FOR THEIR KURA	19 th JUNE
MANGATAWHIRI SCHOOL	IN SCHOOL ACTIVITIES FOR THEIR KURA - SHARED KAI & LUNCH	19 th JUNE
TUAKAU PRIMARY	WHAANGAI I TE HAUTĀPU	19 th JUNE
ONEWHERO AREA SCHOOL	IN SCHOOL ACTIVITIES FOR THEIR KURA - WHĀNAU INVITED	19 th JUNE
POKENO SCHOOL	MĀTARIKI MARKET DAY	25 th JUNE
PUKEKAWA SCHOOL	IN SCHOOL ACTIVITIES FOR THEIR KURA	24 th JUNE
TUAKAU COLLEGE	ANNUAL MĀORI STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT CELEBRATION	26 th JUNE
HARRISVILLE SCHOOL	PRODUCTION OF THE CREATION STORY	6 th & 7 th AUGUST
TE PANA SCHOOL	IN SCHOOL KITE MAKING PROJECT	

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I caught up with lots of our students playing their sports this week!
Awesome to see them doing so well.



Year 6



Year 4 Black

Year 1 Played Te Kauwhata Score won 11-6

Year 2 Played Onewhero Score: Won 20-19

Player of the day: **Keanu Ezekiel**

Merit: **Archie Black**

Year 3 Green Played Waiuku Green Score: Won 70-65

Merit: **Benj Emralino**

Year 3 Black Played Onewhero Score: 9-17

Player of the Day: **Bryn Black**

Year 4 Green Played Year 4 Black Score: Won 18-4

Year 4 Black Played Year 4 Green Score: 4-18

Merit: **Finn Stanton**

Year 5: BYE

Year 6 played Onewhero Score: 20-40

Player of the day: **Andrew Bilo**

Merit: **Declan Chitekwe**

Year 7 Played Beachlands-Maretai Score: Won 33-5

Year 8 – Opposition Defaulted



Hot Dog Netball Tournament Grade 5 Winners:
Mangatawhiri Magic



Mangatawhiri Magic Hot Dog Tournament Team

Mangatawhiri Stars played Bombay Starlets Won 7-3

Mangatawhiri Magic played Hill Ragdollz Won 22-12

Player of the Day: **Billie Devlin**

Bombay Bandits played Fusion 16-16 (Emma's Team)



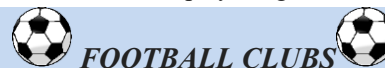
Shotguns played Onewhero Lightning. Won 9-3

Player of the day: **Cian Clark**

The Wasps played Pukekohe United Won 3-2 (Jasmine's Team)



Indie Vujcich & Cian Clark played against each other!



Pukekohe AFC Kereru played Onehunga Lost 4-3

Player of the day: **Harry Vujcich**



Pukekohe AFC Under 10 Robins played Bucklands Beach. Won 11-10 (Felicity & Willow's Team)

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July Holiday Program FOR AGES 5-13

July 1ST, 2ND, 3RD
9am-3pm

Venue: Hauraki Plains College
Fundraising for the HPC trip to Korea and Japan in 2026

Come & join us for some exciting activities that will keep your children moving and learning new things!

\$30 PER DAY.
EMAIL US FOR FAMILY AND MULTI-DAY DISCOUNT DEALS

Movie Making - Arts & Crafts - Sports - Cooking - Different activities each day

For more information and to register email:
jonathano@haurakiplains.school.nz

🏆 JULY HOLIDAYS 🏆

FOOTBALL Camp

\$30 PER DAY | FOR AGES **5-13** | **9AM - 3PM**
8TH, 9TH, 10TH JULY

EMAIL US FOR FAMILY AND MULTI-DAY DISCOUNTS

HAURAKI PLAINS COLLEGE 1ST XI GIRLS FOOTBALL WINTER TOURNAMENT FUNDRAISER

This holiday football program will be led by the HPC 1st XI girls coach, Andy McInnes, who has extensive coaching experience at all levels of the game, with boys and girls. He will be supported by members of the girls team.

Venue: Hauraki Plains College

EMAIL jonathano@haurakiplains.school.nz to register

ST IGNATIUS OF LOYOLA CATHOLIC COLLEGE PRESENTS...

SHOW STOPPERS


The Best of Broadway

Tuesday 24th, Wednesday 25th, Thursday 26th June 7pm
St Ignatius of Loyola Catholic College - La Storta

Adults \$20, Students/Seniors \$17
Programmes: Gold coin donation at the door

Tickets available from Eventfinda:
<https://www.eventfinda.co.nz/2025/show-stoppers/auckland>
Limited door sales available.

PGG Wrightson



School Ag Day

Come in to PGG Wrightsons Pukekohe and tell us what school you are from to receive 8% discount on selected Ag Day items.

Discounts valid from 16th June – 10th October 2025

We look forward to seeing you!

Phone 09 237 2020 | pukekohe@store.pggwrightson.co.nz | Helping grow the country

★ Squash Stars @ Maramarua Squash 2025 ★




COMING SOON

SQUASH STARS

- ❖ Term 3
- ❖ Starting 15th July
- ❖ Tuesday's @4:30
- ❖ 6 week programme to learn the basics and have some fun!!
- ❖ Ages 5-14 yo
- ❖ \$40 or free with a junior membership

See the link below for more information and registration
[Registration link for squash stars@maramaruasquash](mailto:Registration%20link%20for%20squash%20stars@maramaruasquash)
 40 Golf Road,
 Maramarua



JOIN THE TEAM



SMASH - READY SET SMASH - READY SET SMASH

Any queries, contact Linda Whyte lindawhyte2@gmail.com

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