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"In life we learn, in school we nurture the spirit for life" STRIVE ON

15th September 2025

Dear Parents & Community Members, Kia Ora Koutou Katoa,

We have come to the final week of term 3, and the end is approaching fast! What an amazing term of learning across all our curriculum with many, many highlights and significant learning gains for many of our students.

Another highlight to celebrate was the return of our Mangatawhiri School Year 7&8 Sports Champions, who arrived back in time on Friday to come into assembly and show the many medals around their necks as well as the Fair Play Trophy. What an amazing week playing sport morning, noon & night! We are so fortunate to have staff willing to take on all the extra opportunities that we can offer. Thank you, Laura Biggelaar & Tracey Weight, along with Aimee Whyte, Melissa van den Brink & Marcus Brears, for staying overnight, as well as the many, many parents who went out daily to support and encourage the teams. On my arrival at camp on Thursday, I received compliment after compliment from other school parents and staff, saying how kind and friendly our children were and what amazing staff we had working with our students. Go Mangatawhiri!

We welcome **Adele Briggs** to our school team. Adele is supporting teachers and classes across the school due to some extra funding from the Ministry for learning support. We welcome **Kahler Campbell** (Sister to Flectcher, Piper &

Miller) to Room 1. Lovely to have you join us, Kahler. Today we had a group of 6 staff from Hauraki Plains College visiting us. It was cool to show them how we do things at our school.

My very grateful appreciation and thanks to our team for making our school such a great place to be ~ Jenna, Lorelle, Adele, Tamara, Rachael, Tracey S, Gail, Marilyn, Tania, Hayley, Richard, Kerrin, Tracey W, Laura, Sara, Stu, Susan, Alan & Lucinda ~ you are the 'A' team in every sense of the word backed by a supportive School Board ~ Richard, Larissa, Dave, Melissa, Nicole, Ellie & Tracey we really are the 'A+" Team!

This week, our classes are putting their final touches on their class exhibits for Calf Club Day, and no doubt you will have busy households over the holidays preparing for our big show & tell first week back in term 4. Thank you for appreciating that Calf Club is a very

traditional and valued part of who we are as a school. Many, many people are working behind the scenes to make this huge event happen. From parents who have donated goods and services to farmers who have loaned out animals, to past families who continue to support us 100%, thank you for everything.



Have a great holiday break. Remember that daylight saving starts on Sunday, 28th September (a sure sign that better weather is on its way!).

We look forward to seeing everyone back, ready for a great start on Monday, 6th October.

Sharron Scouse PRINCIPAL





- Whanau ~ Attending our Friday Assembly
- © Susan Ormsby ~ Lunch organisation
- © R8&9 Sports Camp Parents ~ Support & encouragement
- Banks Family ~ Peanuts for staff!



<u>WANTED</u>: Grocery Bags - if you have some spare, please drop them off at the office

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Week 10: Monday 15th September:

Term 3 Ends

Thursday 9th October:

• In-class preparation day

Mr Green's Music R6.7.8.9

1.15 pm Calf Club Demo

Friday 19th September: • 1.45pm ~ School Assembly @ Hall TERM.



CTOBER

Tuesday 7th October:

School Newsletter Wednesday 8th October:

- Mr Green's Music R6,7,8,9 • All Calf Club Non-animal projects due at school for judging
- Grocery Raffle Ticket Butts & money back at school







Alex Smith & Aidan de Jongh ~ Assembly MCs

© Room 3 ~ Sharing your Moon Rover creations







Room 1: Maximus Skews

Amazing progress with your literacy

Room 3: Ruamei Nahi

~ Your positive attitude towards all your learning

Room 4: Indi Connell

~ Doing a great job this week, showing The Mangatawhiri Way

Room 5: Finn Stanton

 Great effort & results in maths Room 6: Phoebe Johnson

Your amazing effort every day

Room 7: Annabel Dean

 Your wonderful sharing & contribution to learning about Kiwi inventors

Mrs Irwin: Willow Vennell Outstanding writing

Mr Green: Aliyah Picard ~ Never giving up on drums Mrs Clark: Keanu Ezekiela

~ Amazing progress with your reading Mrs Bush: Jon-Alan de Jonge

Amazing story writing



SCHOOL AWARDS WEEK 9:





Class Award: Rooms 6&7

~ Stepping up to help run senior jobs during sports camp week

<u>Learning Award</u>: Freya Farnum

~ Pleasing progress in reading & writing

Sport Award: Sport Camp Team

~ Awesome participation & showing The Mangatwhiri Way

Staff Award: Richard Reid

Great leadership & support of the school

Parent Award: Sports Camp Parents

Giving your time to help out at Sports Camp. We appreciate it

Mangatawhiri Way: Felicity Donaldson Great principal helper to Miss Scouse

Clean Class: Room 6



🦳 MANGATAWHIRI WAY



WEEK 9

1st Kauri ~ 360 points 2nd Rimu ~ 350 points

3rd Manuka ~ 240 points 4th Tanekaha ~ 180 points

TERM 3

1st Kauri ~ 3,260 points 2nd Manuka ~ 2,950 points 3rd Tanekaha ~ 2,840 points 4th Rimu ~ 2,550 points



🛍 🗎 HOUSE POINTS: 🛍



WEEK 9

1st Kauri ~ 210 points 2nd Tanekaha ~ 170 points 3rd Rimu ~ 140 points 4th Manuka ~ 100 points

TERM 3

1st Kauri ~ 2,890 points 2nd Rimu ~ 2,610 points 3rd Manuka ~ 2,470 points 4th Tanekaha ~ 2,380 points

YYUMMY APPLE STICKERS



We are on the countdown for the Yummy Apple Stickers - please bring these to Mrs Ormsby. Last day 20.9.25



CALF CLUB PLANNING

DEMONSTRATION

Tomorrow - Tuesday 16th September at 1.15 pm We will have a Calf and Lamb Judge to pass on tips & tricks - parents welcome to attend



All sold books & money back to Mrs Ormsby. She has more, is you can sell them over the holidays



Any prizes or donations for our pick-a-prize or auction, please contact Mrs Ormsby

2025 ENTRIES









Goats 💢 39 x Chickens



64 x Project Entries

What is Happening Calf Club Week:





8.30 am Term 4 Starts



Last touches to class artwork



7th OCTOBER

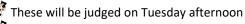
Outdoor clock or Can Bird or Insect DUE AT SCHOOL



Farm Lego or Project DUE AT SCHOOL



Take all of these projects to the staffroom steps to be labelled and put on display before school starts



Winners announced on Friday at prizegiving



8th OCTOBER



Chicken Diaries DUE AT SCHOOL

Hand your Chicken Diary to Miss Scouse on the staffroom steps before school starts

These will be judged on Wednesday afternoon

Winners announced on Friday at prizegiving



9th OCTOBER

8 am Field set up - Parent helpers needed, the more the

Bring all flowers and floral items ready to make and create displays at school (NO store-bought flowers)

Please name EVERYTHING!

Take all baking, covered in Gladwrap, to your classroom

2 pm Indoor Exhibit judging begins (Guest judges)



10th OCTOBER



The school bus will run as normal before and after school. **However**, it will be running early as very few children use the bus on this day. **PLEASE** let Mrs Ormby know if your child is using the bus on this day so we can inform the Bus driver of pick-up/drop-off points.

All children (with or without an animal) must be wearing our correct school uniform, including our school hat.

Animals must be walked through the van shed gate

Children with lambs, goats & calves - must have them tied up and ready for competition by 8.30 am

First call up will be at 8.50 am - ready for a 9 am start

Collect your number and programme from the staffroom steps

Pin your number to the outside of your clothes

Children with chickens - check in the programme for your number and place your chickens in the corresponding cage

Pullet and pair chicken entries - have different numbers, so please read the programme carefully and place your chickens in the correct cages

Children without animals - are not expected at school until 10 am

Bring some money for a Koheroa Hamburger or Pokeno Sausage, drink, or a sweet treat from the Preschool stall.

The judging will be run as per the order of the programme

Stay with your animal during judging to allow the day to run smoothly. Listen to the instructions of the stewards.

\$2.00 Tickets on Sale for Pick-a-prize

\$2.00 Tickets on Sale for Grocery Hampers



CALF CLUB AUCTIONS

Thanks to the HUGE generosity of sponsors, we will hold our auction at 12.30 pm.

Look out for the Auction flyers and BUY NOW Prices

TERM 4: SCHOOL HATS MUST BE WORN



Time to find your school hat, give it a wash, and make sure it is <u>clearly named</u> and ready for day 1 of term 4. No hat, no play!

Year 8 students (ONLY) may wear their own choice of hat in term 4

EVENT SPOTLIGHT ~ Blue Light Rainbows End Day With Constable Courtney



Our House Leaders and Fear Factor team received a lovely invitation from Constable Courtney to join in the Blue Light Rainbows End day yesterday. We had a great time running from ride to ride (and dodging raindrops!) with the NZ Police. Thank you, Constable Courtney!

Sharron Scouse



On Monday, 8th, 34 students from Mangatawhiri and Kaiaua headed off to Camp Adair for Sports Camp. The week was action-packed, with our students showcasing outstanding sportsmanship, teamwork, resilience, and determination across a wide variety of sports and activities.

We are excited to share that our teams achieved amazing results! We were the <u>overall winners of the Cheer Performance</u>, earning a \$500 sports voucher, and also came away as the winners of the <u>Sportsmanship Award</u>. To top it off, our team placed 2nd Overall by just one point. What an achievement!

As teams, we also achieved:

- 1st Boys Table Tennis Singles
- 1st Climbing
- 1st Boys Kiwi Tag
- 1st Boys Single Tennis
- 1st Girls Doubles Tennis
- 1st Cross Country
- 1st Girls Lacrosse
- 1st Boys Pickleball Singles
- 1st Boys Pickleball Doubles
- 1st Boys Mountain Biking
- 1st Girls Mountain Biking
- 1st Boys Flag Football
- 1st Boys Gaga Ball
- 1st Dodgeball
- 1st Boys Shooting
- 2nd Girls Manu
- 2nd Checkers
- 2nd Boys Orienteering
- 2nd Girls T-Ball
- 2nd Mixed Tennis
- 3rd Boys Doubles Table Tennis
- 3rd Mixed Doubles Table Tennis
- 3rd Boys Ki O Rahi
- 3rd Girls Ki O Rahi
- 3rd Girls Kiwi Tag
- 3rd Girls Pickleball Doubles
- 3rd Girls Flag Football
- 3rd Boys Tug of War

We are extremely proud of every student who participated and represented our schools with pride. A huge thank you also goes to the parents who supported us throughout the week; your help made this memorable experience possible. A special thank you to Aimee Whyte, Melissa van den Brink, and Marcus Brears for staying overnight, and Jodi Fitzgerald for the use of your trailer and daily support.

Laura Biggelaar







<u>EVENT SPOTLIGHT ~ NZ Principals'</u> <u>Federation Conference Wellington</u>





I loved the Wellington pedestrian lights of haka and dance. I had a great time at the NZPF Conference. A high calibre of guest speakers, workshops, and opportunities to talk to other principals. It is always refreshing to step out of school and engage with the wider network of education professionals. It also reminds me of how grateful I am to love my job and love working at our school with the great team of teachers, staff, students, and families. Erica Stanford announced no further changes expected in 2026; however, as it is an election year, I am not sure we can guarantee that. Both primary and secondary teachers are underway with strike action, but I hope you realise that it is not just about more money, it is also about learning support and the need for greater resources in schools to assist with the diverse range of learners.

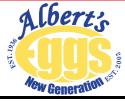
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