

MANAKAU SCHOOL Matters...

March 18, 2020 Week 7

Upcoming Events

Friday March 20

- Yr 7/8 Water polo
- Junior school athletics (Rooms 1 & 2) Starting at 11am

Monday March 23

School photos

Thursday March 26

Epro8 Challenge

Friday March 27

Yr 7/8 Water polo

Monday April 6 Vision & Hearing test for some children

Thursday April 9

Last day of term

Saturday April 25 Anzac Day

Tuesday April 28 ■ Term 2 begins

School photos are on Monday March 23

Order forms for your child/ren's orders were sent home last week. We have order forms for sibling photos, available at the office. All orders, and correct money need to be at school by **this Friday March 20**.

Manakau Athletics

Due to construction of new buildings and limited space on our playing field, athletics will be held over 2 days.

Senior athletics was enjoyed on Tuesday.

Juniors on Friday March 20. Starting at 11am

This is a fun 'House' Event for children to participate in. Please come dressed in your 'House' colours. Parents are welcome to come and support.

Manakau School Lockdown Procedure - supply list

Reminder: In the event of a lockdown, we currently would not have enough food for all students. Thanks to those who have supplied food. Please can the remaining families drop in both a bottle of water and your food item (that can be eaten cold). Please could you name these items and drop them into office. Thank you.

Attached to this newsletter is a Pandemic Planning Procedure for you to view. Hopefully we will never have to use this, but we need to be prepared.

If your child has been unwell, coughs, cold, vomiting etc, please keep them at home for at least 48 hours before returning to school. *Thank you.*

Handwashing to prevent spread

All schools and early learning services are still in the 'Keep it Out' phase of a pandemic plan.

The **preventative measures** Ministry of Health is encouraging schools and early learning services to practice are those of good hygiene, which include:

- Washing hands with soap and water before and after eating as well as after attending the toilet
- Covering coughs and sneezes with clean tissues or with an elbow
- Putting used tissues in the bin
- Encouraging staff and students to stay home if they are unwell

You will be aware that advice from the Ministry of Health asks everyone to wash your hands often and thoroughly with soap and water for at least 20 seconds, making sure you dry them thoroughly. Singing Happy Birthday twice, slowly should take about 20 seconds. To assist with this messaging, there are a couple of useful videos from the National Health Service (UK) that might help teach good hand washing techniques:

Teaches hand washing technique (UK NHS): <u>https://</u> <u>www.youtube.com/watch?v=S9VjeIWLnEg</u> Hand washing happy birthday (UK NHS): <u>https://</u> www.youtube.com/watch?v=aGJNspLRdrc

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Autumn Kids Camp 2020!!

Registrations for our AROUND THE WORLD Autumn Kids Camp open this coming Monday!!

We will sell out...so make sure you get in early if you're keen. On from 4pm, Monday 20th -11am, Friday 24th April. An amazing week of fun and adventure for 8 - 12 year olds!! OSCAR/ WINZ subsidies available. Head to our website for info: El Rancho

It's business as usual for us...

And will continue to be, unless we get any advice otherwise from government level. We have school camps here this week and the children are having a fantastic time. We are taking Ministry of Health guidelines around Covid-19 very seriously: Health and safety are our highest priorities.

We look forward to seeing you soon.

From the team at El Rancho.

Otaki Sports Club Football Registrations.

Kids 6 years and up wanting to play football this year please send their details to Kerry Bevan. <u>kerry.bevan@gmail.com</u> or 027 4056635. Contact Kerry for additional information. The season starts early April.

Rahui Junior Rugby Registration Evening.
Friday March 27. 5.30pm—7.30pm at
Rahui Clubrooms. Come along to register your child in a team.
Cash or eftpos available.
\$50 for one child. \$60 for two children.
\$75 for three or more children.
Free sausage sizzle.

If you are unable to attend this evening and would like alternative details on registration please email rahuijuniorrugby@gmail.com 2020 Palmerston North Brick Show. Barber Hall, Waldergrave Street, PN. Sat March 21, Sun March 22. 9am - 5pm. Entry \$5. Family pass \$20. Under 3 free.

The Heart of Manakau Proudly Presents

Autumn in Paradise QUIZ NIGHT

Date: Friday 27th March 2020

Time 7.30 start

Location: Manakau Bowling and Sports Club. Corner of Honi Taipua and Mokena Kohere Streets

- Cost: \$10 per person
- Teams: <u>Maximum of 12 teams</u> with 5 per team.

If you don't have 5 we can help you make up a team on the night. Please make sure you register as we were at our maximum at our last quiz night.

Register your team by contacting

Kimbal 029 835 1215 or 36 26 395 or <u>mchugo@mchugo.co.nz</u>

Refreshments: The Bowling club bar will be open. Light snack food will be served during the evening

The MDCA will be running raffles during the evening with all funds raised being used by the MDCA for projects that benefit the community

Please support your community by entering a team. Regards Kimbal McHugo