

# MANAKAU SCHOOL Matters...

June 3, 2021 Term 2, Week 5

# **Upcoming Events**

#### Thursday June 3

- In school ukulele music sessions
- Afterschool netball begins
- Friday June 4 ■ In school guitar lessons
- Monday June 7
- Queens birthday holiday weekend
- Thursday 10
- Netball after school
- Yr 3/4 playing at Manakau @ 3.30
- Yr 5/6 playing at Nga Purapura @ 3.30
- June 11, 14, 15, 21
- Kereru swimming
- Monday June 14
- BOT meeting at 6.15pm
- Thursday June 17
- Netball
- Friday June 18
- Matariki Celebration 6am-12 noon

#### Thursday June 24

- PTFA School Disco
- Netball
- Friday June 25 ■ Kereru Tahi's Trip
- Wednesday June 30 ■ Regional Cross Country

### Thursday July 1

- Korimako Café: Soup and Savoury.
- Health Curriculum information evening for Kereru and Huia parents.

# <u>Friday July 2</u> Teacher Only Day

- Tuesday July 6 ■ Otaki Rural Schools Soccer
- Friday July 9
- Last day of term 2.

**Thank you** to everyone who helped in some way on Wednesday with the accident in Manakau changing our normal routine. Thanks goes to both parents and students, and staff. A great team effort.



Congratulations to the team of students who participated in the Regional Cross Country on Wednesday (and the parents who provided transport and looked after this team). We hear you all did a fantastic job! Well done.

<u>Reminder</u>: Have you ordered your school photos online yet? It is easy to do. If you place your photo **orders before midnight on Sunday June 13**, your postage is free.



# Teacher Only Day - Friday 2nd July <u>Pause Breathe Smile</u>

To allow all of our staff to participate in this professional development we have a teacher only on this day. All of the teachers will be off site on this day.

**Religious Instruction** is starting next Friday. For students in years 4-8.

We have attached a more detailed notice to this newsletter for parents to read and sign if you would like your child/ren to be part of this. This year it is an 'Opt In' for your child to do this.

# Matariki Celebration - Friday June 18 6am-12noon

This is for the whole school, including breakfast, with parents. More details to follow.

#### **Health Curriculum**

Next term, the Kereru and Huia children will be having information shared around the pubertal change side of the New Zealand Health Curriculum. An information session for parents will be held on Thursday 1st July at 6pm, in Te Whare Huia. Please pop this date in your calendar.



#### Contacting school

If you are contacting the school for an absence, please contact the office via SkoolLoop, email, landline 362 6791 or school cellphone 027 6270 386.

If you are changing the afterschool arrangements please let the <u>office</u> know (not the principal, as she doesn't always have her phone on her).

Thank you

#### PTFA - School Disco 24th June 5.30-8.00pm Theme - FANCY Dress

The planning is well underway for this first disco of 2021. The PTFA have been working with a team of planners from Te Whare Huia and it is looking very exciting.

They need your help - setting up the hall, helping in the food and glo stick space, clean up. Please leave your name with Office Deb and Mel from the PTFA will contact you.

I just ate what I thought was a feta cheese crumble from my salad off my shirt.

Turns out it was deodorant. So, how's your day going?



# COMMUNITY NOTICES

Palmy Brick Show | 5 - 6 June 2021 Central Energy Trust Arena | Arena 3

BrickCon-NZ is bringing back the Palmy Brick Show for 2021. The show will be over Queens, Birthday weekend, 5 - 6 June. Open to the public from 8 - 5.30 on both days. Entry: \$10 pp, kids under 3ys free. Family passes \$30 (2A 3C).

**BIG BANG DIRT DUATHLON** for kids. Bring them along to the adventure racing series. June, July and August 2021 based between Wellington and the Horowhenua. Approx. 3-4hrs. Minimum age is 10 and must be accompanied by an adult. This is some serious fun!

www.dirtduathlon.co.nz for more details

# Gold Coin Community Day at Nga

**Manu.** Monday 7<sup>th</sup> June Our way of saying a massive thank you to all our supporters! Pack a picnic and come and enjoy a fun family day out in nature. You will experience both forest and wetland habitats and our walk-through aviaries and nocturnal house offer close-up encounters with our rare NZ wildlife. Our 'Bird's Eye Trail' gives you the opportunity to view Nga Manu plants through the eyes of birds as you explore our network of all-weather, buggy friendly trails. Or discover our dunes and swamps on the 'Humps and Hollows Trail.

At 2 pm (rain or shine) watch the Nga Manu eels being fed – purchase an eel feeding token for \$2 to have a go at feeding an eel yourself. Join our free guided forest walk at 2:15pm meet at our eel pond after the eel feeding.

Your gold coin donation goes to the non-profit Nga Manu Trust, which contributes to national and local conservation through its involvement in many species breeding programmes such as for kiwi, tuatara, whio/blue duck, as well as endangered lizard species and plant conservation. Thank you!