

MANAKAU SCHOOL Matters...

September 7, 2022 Term 3, Week 7

Upcoming Events

Sept 12, 14, 16Swimming lessonsSept 15Kapiti sports tournament Yrs 7/8Sept 16Assembly - Korimako leadingSept 27Speech finals 11.00-12.00pm

Sept 30...... Last day of term 3. Oct 17...... First day of term 4.

Acting Principal

Included in this week's newsletter are some photos taken during some of the electives that we are currently running. Electives have proved very popular with the students, staff and members of the community who are helping us with these.

The photos are from mosaics, indoor bowls, the great outdoors, harakeke weaving and modern calligraphy. We will include photos of the other electives as they come to hand.

Maybe you have a skill or interest that you would be keen to share with a small group of students another time. We would love to hear from you.

<u>Rippa Tournament</u>: At last we had a sporting event that was able to take place. It certainly was cold and warm clothes were the order of the day. A big thank you to all of those who helped with transport and supervision on the day. Thank you also to Mr Singer and Mr P for their work in making this happen.

Swimming lessons: As we no longer have a useable pool at school, this is a fantastic opportunity to teach water skills with qualified instructors. It is part of our Physical education curriculum and full participation is important for all students to gain skills in swimming.















Inspired by children's book 'The Dot' Written collaboratively as a class by Tupuranga Yrs 6/7 (Whaea Katie's class)

What is a dot?

A dot is a spot. A basketball shot. A tick of a clock. Sheep in a flock. One in a million feet on the ground. As our enormous earth spins around. It's a spark in the park that lights up the dark. Spirals of sushi, what a delight. An anchored down, flying kite. A dropped winter petal. Some gears made of metal. Slimy snail shells, squish, squish, squish. A school of rainbow coloured fish. It's a bath full of bubbles. Teddy bear cuddles. Pigs in a puddle. This dot's in a muddle. An apple core starting to rot. A dot plus a dot plus a dot makes a lot! Slices of cake, you all get a piece. A warm cozy blanket made from fleece. A drop in the sea. A buzzing bumble bee. A new butterfly breaking free. They all start with a dot and this dot is ME!

The World's Most Disgusting Sandwich By Mihirangi Tanga

Propped up on 2 pieces of mouldy bread, the smell is so rotten, it goes to my head. Mustard and ketchup and lettuce too, they're all so putrid covered in spew! How could it be? Such a gross meal, this unhealthy tum filler would never appeal. If I just took a bite, I'm afraid I might puke, The same goes for Lucy and Freburt and Luke. If you listen so closely, you'll hear the click of a peg, or maybe it's just a leaf, stone or egg. The smell made a pitcher, run from his pitch, but later ran straight into Mr Von Ditch. It made all the fish, leap out'f the sea, a yard of camels, down the street they would flee.

The doors fell off their hinges and the hinges fell off the frame,

a man grabbed a parachute, and jumped from a plane.

Just one small whiff, of this horrible stench, will send you flying to the depths of a trench.

The Flying Daffodils By Braeden Butters

Small, soft petals erupt from the ground. Their stem, shaped a mellow round. Some are orange, others are yellow. I feel I can hear a relaxing cello. They sit there, looking rather nice. Now the sun has begun to rise. But watch out, I am filled with woe. A cold wind has begun to blow. Flowers, carried away in the breeze. Past the grass and past the trees. They even went to surprise the bees. The wind has stopped, and now they freeze. By Braeden



Ag Day Lamb offer

If you would like a lamb for Ag day. Please contact the office.

Student lunches

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Just a reminder that we have a pie warmer available for students to bring something for a hot lunch. These need to be in a container that is easy to remove from the pie warmer when hot. Covered with tin foil and named. Please <u>do not</u> send food that requires hot water, ie noodles, it must be something that is ready to eat - no prep required at school. Remember to send along any utensils that your child/ren may also need.

♦ Attached to this newsletter

Is information and fundraising options for our senior camp. The 'Seed' orders need to be in by this Friday, 9th September. Also they have a Mini Family Photoshoot raffle if you are interested. Tickets are \$5 each. You can purchase these through our senior classes or the office. This goes through to 27th September 2022 with winners being drawn on Friday 30 September. The calendars can have any of your children's artwork on it.

Raffle: You could win a Mini Family Photoshoot Which includes 30 minutes session 20 full resolution images

\diamond School photos

This year Photolife have emailed you your child/ ren's unique Key Code to go online to view and purchase 2022 School Photos. If you have not received this, please contact the school office.

\diamond Preparing for 2023

In preparation for 2023, the Board will be offering places for out of zone students. At the end of this year we will have 20 Year 8 students transitioning to secondary schools in our region. If you know of any families who are in our zone and are intending to send their children to Manakau School, or if know your family situation will be changing for 2023, please get in touch with Office Deb or Rachael Newman. This will help with our planning. *Thank you*.

COMMUNITY NOTICES



Nature Reserve for weekend 10th – 11th

To celebrate Conservation Week, we have a weekend full of conservation focused family fun with face painting, sausage sizzle, coffee cart, a pre-loved clothing sale fundraiser and Eel feeding at 11am and 2pm. You can also meet our cheeky birds and rare reptiles with free Expert and Ranger talks on kaka, kereru, kakariki, tuatara, geckos, skinks, ruru and dactylanthus. We're holding free demonstrations on composting, worm farming, bokashi and pest trapping. See our website <u>https://</u>

ngamanu.org.nz for more info.

Meet the Candidates. Save the Date. Muhunoa East RW invite you to a Meet the Candidates (Mayoral, Waiopehu and Horizons) Meeting, to be held on 12 September 2022, Ohau Hall, 7. Supper provided



Ate a box of THIN MINTS, Didn't get thinner. I don't think they work. Kids Neon Party Friday 16th September. 5-7.30pm Year 1-6 kids

Rahui Clubrooms, Otaki Domain. Fundraising for the family of Max Tamakaha

Grab a white or neo t-shirt and bring your best moves. Get your face painted and dance the night away. Food, drinks and glow sticks available for purchase Koha Entry Bring cash

Hosted by the Otaki Volunteer Fire Brigade Contact Thyna Clode - 027 739 3703

