

School Newsletter Term 1 - 8 April 2022

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Kia ora Whānau,

It's hard to believe there is only one week to go of a turbulent term 1. I would like to start by thanking you for your overwhelming support. We were hit with the virus quite suddenly, but thankfully not so badly that we had to close (although we were close). At one stage we had over half the school absent and 6 staff affected. A big thank you to the staff for covering other classes and just generally being fantastic in order for us to keep the school open. Thank you also for the wonderful, supportive emails. They really do give the staff a lift and it again shows what a caring and thoughtful community we have.

We can't wait to have you all back on site soon, but at this stage we will be keeping things as they are until the end of term. We want to keep our staff and students safe and healthy for as long as we can. As usual, we will let you know as things change.

Parent teacher meetings have been moved to week 1, term 2. We have taken a cautious approach to having face to face meetings so far this year and I think it is paying off for us in keeping everyone as safe as possible. With that in mind we have set dates for you to meet either in face to face or via Zoom with your child's teacher. These Learning Conversations are to give you an opportunity to meet with your child's teacher to discuss their academic performance and their learning behaviours. Building a relationship with our whanau is the key to successful learning.

- Booking slots will be available:
 - Week 1 Term 2 Wednesday 4 May 2.00pm 7.00pm
 - Week 1 Term 2 Thursday 5 May 3.00pm 7.00pm
- These will be 10 minute parent/student meetings with teachers.
- Face to face bookings will be made through the skool Loop app. Bookings will be accessible from Thursday next week.
- If you would like to book a zoom meeting, please contact your teacher directly via email and they will block you out a time and send you a zoom link
- If you are requesting a zoom meeting you will require a computer/laptop/phone/device with video camera capability.

Our fund raising is full steam ahead. Because of your efforts and generosity slightly more hot cross buns were purchased this year. The camp easter raffle is out there at the moment and our fantastic centre bakery pie order forms were also sent home this week. With winter fast approaching, there is nothing better, quicker or easier to have for a rainy night than a couple of pies in the oven...so stock up the freezer!

As mentioned in the last newsletter the Upper Hutt cluster day that was scheduled for Friday 3 June has been moved to Friday the 21 October. The Teacher only day on the 14th of April is still going ahead.









Ayla: Room 1



Paislee: Room 1



Aaliyah: Room 3



Piper: Room 2

School Clothing





We now have all the supplies of school clothing in the school office. This will avoid the added cost of couriering. Feel free to come in and check out the hoodies and jackets for size. Thank You to our wonderful and enthusiastic models Lucy and Taylor.

Hoodies \$50 Jackets \$80 School Hats \$20

Room 1 loving Pedal Ready Scooter Day





Massive thanks to the below businesses for sponsoring our school app:





Next term is looking very exciting with Basketball Lessons from Kiwi Hoops. Students will have 6 lessons from a qualified Basketball coach. We also have the return of the UHPS calendar events: See below.

| Basketball Lessons - Whole School | Wednesday's - Wks 1 - 6 |
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| School Cross Country: | Wednesday 11 May at 11 am - School grounds |

| Jumping June - Skipping | A focus on skipping skills |
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| UHPS Regional Cross Country: | Sunday 22 May - Open to Year 1 - 6's |
| Maidstone Sports Day - Yr 6's | Tuesday 14th June |
| UHPS Swimming: Yr 4 - 6 | Tuesday 7th June, H20 |
| UHPS Gymnastics Festival: Year 1 - 6's | Thursday 16th June |



- The pool is now closed. Please return all keys and receive your \$10
- Please respect others when collecting or dropping off children
- Sign in and out when you enter the school grounds on ALL occasions
- Please keep your child home if they are sick.
- Please make sure you advise office if students are on or off the bus
- Please do not park in the bus stop. It is for the bus!
- Lunches If you are ordering lunches please have your orders in by
 9am Tuesday morning

Have a fantastic weekend John and the Mangaroa team

Scooter Ready Photos: Our Year 4 group.









MANGAROA SCHOOL



Term Dates 2022

Term 1: 3 Feb - 13 April

Term 2: 2 May - 8 July

Term 3: 25 July - 30 September

Term 4: 17 October - 15 December



School Information
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