

Manawaru School

Newsletter



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Touch Base with Tumuaki

Thank you for the support that has been offered over the last few weeks, with our staffing hiccups, we are looking forward and heading back to full strength.

We have certainly packed a lot into this term, making the most of the fine weather that we have enjoyed. It has been good to see all of those swimmers still getting their pool time in, enjoying the 28 degree temperature. We have closed the pool from the end of the week for the season. It has been good to see so many families getting enjoyment from the pool, we hope you enjoy getting a new key towards the end of the year. Our very thoughtful Fundraising team are looking at replacing our pool cover, which is showing signs of a long and hard life.

This Fundraising team is on a roll, as they prepare for their circus event that is our Trivial Pursuits night. 'Under The Big Top' is the theme and teams are welcome to get dressed up, or not, whichever they are most comfortable with! We have some cool prizes coming together, and comedian Jan Maree makes a return appearance! It should be a fun night. We have taken some feedback on board, so questions will be a bit easier, and we will be more mindful of our timelines.

With the holidays coming up it might be a good time to have a close look at what your children are doing online. Remember that many sites have an age restriction, and these are there for good reason. We have seen a bit of an issue with children who have been curious and have explored into areas that pose harm. Please don't think this would not be your child. Children are curious, and don't see the potential for harm that we do. A few handy hints include

- Use devices in public spaces only, bedrooms are a hazard area, ideal for online predators
- Check what your child is using, check it is age appropriate
- Talk to your child about not providing personal details to anyone on line, no address, photos or other identifying information
- Limit device time

Google "Netsafe" for lots of useful information, that can be used by everyone, regardless of how technically challenged you are. Please check, even just to put your mind at rest.

I hope you get a great chance to spend some quality time as families, being together, regardless of what you are doing. It has been a long term, and your children are likely to be a bit weary by the end of it, hopefully there is time for some relaxing!

As you empty out schoolbags, or encourage your children to, please ensure their fluoro bus vests are repacked for next term. The darker days make the bus vests essential, let's keep them seen, to keep them safe, as well as we can!

All the best for the holidays,
Rosemary

I thought this was worth making extra space for, from jasewilliams.nz on Instagram- 'You are your child's childhood. The way you parent isn't just shaping them, it's becoming their memories, their foundation, their sense of home within themselves. The way you move through the day, the way you speak, the way you respond-it all weaves into the story they will carry for a lifetime. Beyond the lessons and the structure, the rules and routines, what stays with them most is how they felt in your presence. Your presence is more than just proximity-it's your energy. And long after childhood has passed, that energy will live on in them. '

COMING EVENTS

April

- 11 Last Day of Term 1
- 25 ANZAC Day
- 28 First Day of Term 2

May

- 17 Trivial Pursuits

June

- 2 Kings Birthday (School Closed)
- 10 Tough Guy & Gal
- 11 Young Leaders Day
- 13 Gymsport
- 20 Matariki (School Closed)
- 27 Last Day of Term 2

July

- 14 First day of Term 3

Manawaru Community Church Easter Service

You are invited to the Manawaru
Community Church Easter Service
(opposite the school)

**To be held on Sunday, 13th April
at 7:30 p.m.**

Everyone is welcome

After the service we will have supper in the
Hall. A small plate would be appreciated.

This will be a great time to meet or catch up
with people in our community, so keep this
evening free and come along and enjoy a
lovely service together.

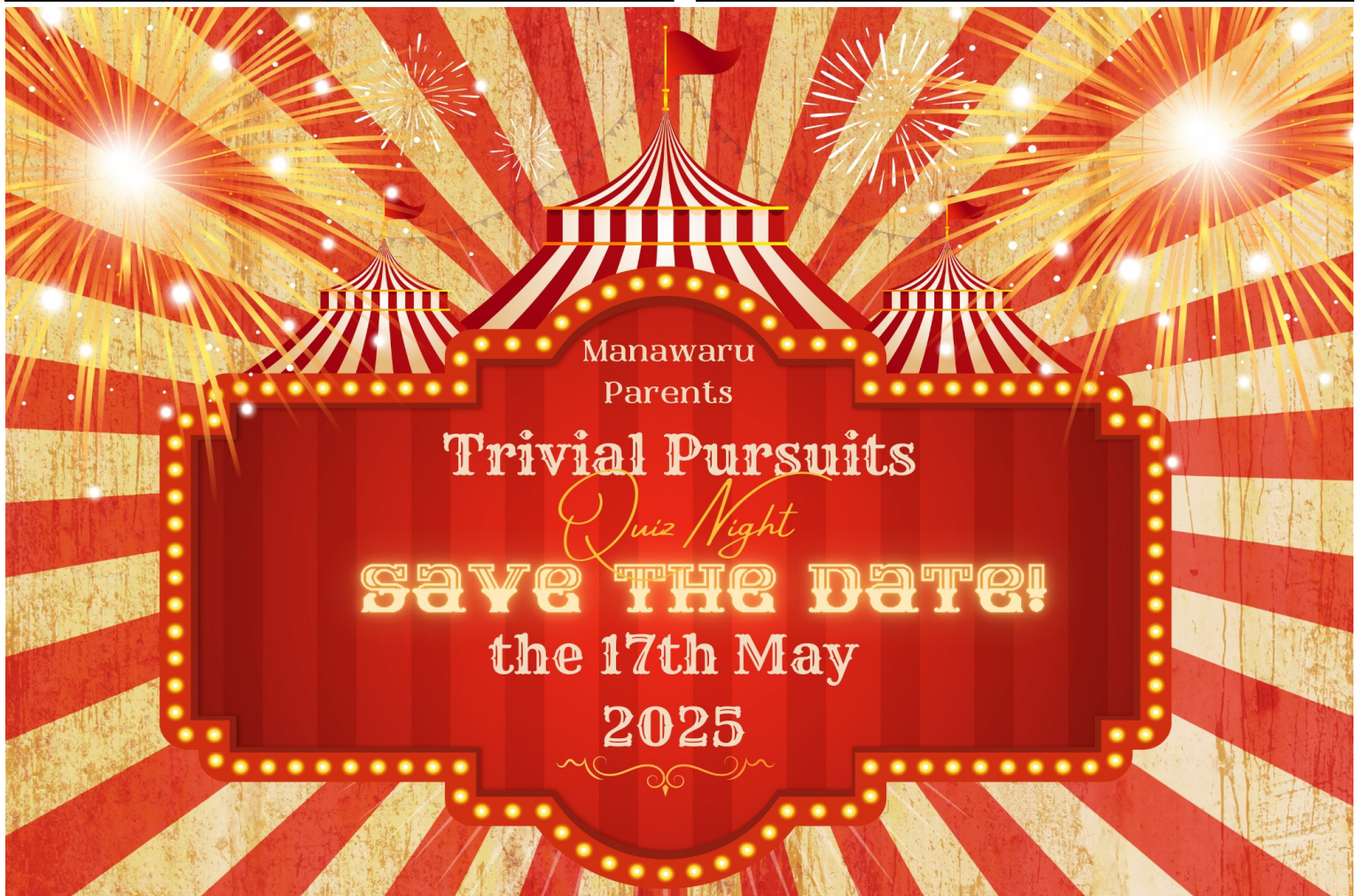
REMINDERS

Manawaru School B.O.T account for
stationery, sports, events etc.

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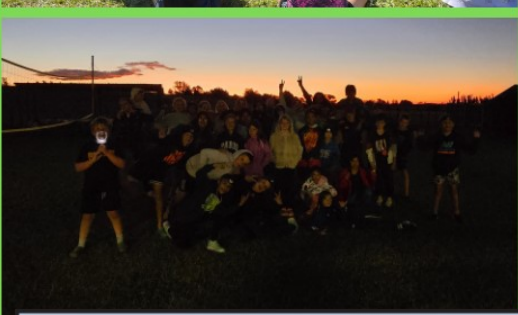
The Fundraising Club account for
sausage sizzles or fundraising items is:

02 0436 0071213 00





Our senior crew had an epic time staying at Te Ohāki Mārae, tucked under the beautiful Kaimai Ranges.



The noho mārae was packed with learning, laughter, and loads of unforgettable moments for our tamariki.

SENIOR CAMP 2025





The biggest thank you to Matua Mohi and his whānau for welcoming us with open arms, sharing their wisdom, and having never - ending patience with our Seniors.



Massive shoutout to the awesome parents who cooked up a storm, cheered everyone on, tackled the hikes, and kept the good vibes flowing.



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our Village*

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April 2025 Holiday Programme

8:30-3:00 \$40
8:00-4:00 \$45
8:00-5:00 \$50
8:00-6:00 \$55

Some days will incur additional charges for outings.
These will be included in the price shown at the time of booking.

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Monday 14

FIESTA OF PAINT

We're having some messy fun with paint activities!



Tuesday 15

MINI GOLF ROTORUA

Could you be the next Ryan Fox? Let's go practice our putting!



Wednesday 16

MATAMATA POOLS

Bring your togs for a fun day at the Pools!



Thursday 17

EASTER EGG HUNT

You love chocolate, right? So come and find some!!



Friday 18

GOOD FRIDAY

NO PROGRAMME



Monday 21

EASTER MONDAY

NO PROGRAMME



Tuesday 22

FOOD AND FOOTBALL

Come along for a skills session, and make some yummy treats!



Wednesday 23

TEAM CHALLENGES

Your team will need the brains and the brawn to tackle today's challenges!



Thursday 24

MATAMATA POOLS

Bring your togs for a fun day at the Pools!



Friday 25

ANZAC DAY

NO PROGRAMME



Venue: Matamata Christian School.
91A Smith Street, Matamata.

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