Manawaru School Newsletter



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Our focus this term is being a recogniser of structure and norms

19 February 2021

Empowering learners for their future

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

He mihi mahana ki a koutou katoa - warm greetings to all.

A big thank you to everyone for adapting so quickly to the return to Alert Level 2 overnight on Sunday and understanding the requirement to try and have parents out of the school grounds during this time for this Alert Level.

It was great news on Wednesday to hear our move back to Alert Level 1 and that it happened so quickly. While new cases in the community are always disappointing to hear of, it is reassuring to see how quickly they have been identified. I am sure we are all grateful for the efforts of our health workers, scientists and technicians in this regard, and the thousands of people who have been tested.

Here at school we are currently preparing for any potential future rising in Alert Levels which would result in a lockdown and a return to learning from home. While we do not want this any more than you do, we want to be prepared and are grateful for how much freedom we have had until now.

Below is a link to a Google form. (It will also be sent as a HERO post) We ask that all families fill this in so that the information and views we have for you is up-to-date. I promise that it is a very short survey and will take you little time to complete. Thanks for your co-operation in this.

Learning from Home Survey

As you know we use **HERO** as our platform for reporting and communicating. To access HERO you need to have a password – that you create on the Log-in page. HERO is also available as an App. This is the recommended form of use. The Hero app is available to be downloaded from the app store. No need for email. School notices and communication will be accessed via community feed - **push notifications** will alert you to when there is a new message (if you choose to turn this on).

The Hero app is designed to reduce the number of places that parents need to check for information about our school. The Hero App has been updated and we would recommend that parents download the app onto their phone. The app allows you to see posts about your child's learning and easily lets you access the notices. It now also allows you to report an absence or lateness, so you no longer have to ring the office.

How to download HERO

If you need any assistance with this, please bring your phone into school and I will help you with setting this up. It takes very little time to do so.

Our senior camp programme at Ngatuhoa Lodge begins next week. It is a large undertaking for Mrs Latimer to organise this outdoor education programme and we thank her for all her work on this. A special thank you too, to those parents who will be giving their time to assist as a parent helper. Your ongoing support of our school is invaluable and you are very much appreciated. So let's hope for fine weather – not too hot or too cold for that matter for the following week so we can enjoy camp to its fullest.

Enjoy the weekend Mel Sargent

Believe you can and you're halfway there – Theodore Roosevelt

COMING EVENTS

February

24-26 Senior Camp (Year 5-8).

March

Teacher Only Day - no school.

Staff will be having a Professional Development day.

Manawaru School Swimming Sports at 5 Matamata Swim Zone. There will be further Information following.

10 Te Aroha District Swimming Sports.

- 11 Postponement Day for Te Aroha District Swimming Sports.
- Cricket Festival Year 4-8 students. More 16 information will follow.
- 24 Thames Valley Swimming Sports.

April

- 2 Good Friday - holiday.
- Easter Monday holiday. 5
- Easter Tuesday holiday. 6
- 16 Last day of term one.



REMINDERS

If you would like to pay by internet banking for stationery (e.g. Prime Maths books) or T shirts, etc. our school bank account number is:

03 1573 0013006 00

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

02 0436 0071213 00

DISHES/PLATES, ETC. LEFT AT SCHOOL

We have some dishes and plates, etc. that have been left at school after functions held here. If you are missing something, please check for it in the staff room.

Rally@412

Rally is an exciting children's programme for 7-12 year olds and is held every second Monday, usually at the Manawaru Bible Chapel at 412 Manawaru Road from 6:30 - 830 p.m.

Children will be challenged with games, sport and craft work, they will learn life skills, earn badges, and participate in a Bible based time focussed on Christian teaching and values.

Transport is available in some areas.

Parents are most welcome to attend any Rally night.

Fees are \$5.00 per term with an occasional extra charge for special activities.

The next Rally night is:

Monday, 22nd February from 6:30-8:30 p.m.

It will be a family night at Community View (old Dairy Factory by Manawaru School) Rock climbing, games, swim, sausage sizzle, introduction to Rally. No charge - so come and see what Rally is all about.



For more information contact:

Joy Wallace

- 027 451 8920

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YUMMY APPLE STICKER PROMOTION



How to Play









- Shop at your local New World, Pak'n Save and participating Four Square stores.
- Purchase Yummy apples, either bags with cut-out labels or individual apples with Yummy stickers. One cut-out label is worth 10 apple stickers.
- Place the Yummy stickers on Sticker Collection Sheets and the cut-out labels on Cut-Out Label Collection Sheets. (For sheets - see below)
- When you have filled up a sheet please place it in the container in the School Office
- Your Yummy stickers will then be converted into a winning share of the \$200,000 sports prize pool from DG Sport.
- If you need more sheets you can either get them from school or print them out from the website: www.yummyfruit.co.nz and click on school sticker promo.
- If you are not able to access the website and print the sheets off, please see Adele in the Office.

CREDIT UNION SCHOOL BANKING

Please see the notice directly opposite

The Credit Union want to start the school banking year off with an awesome giveaway.

Every deposit made through their school banking programme between 16 February and 9 April 2021 puts them in the draw to win 1 of 3 bikes. Prizes will be drawn on 12 April.

If you would like to commence school banking please talk to Adele in our School Office and she will give you a start-up pack.

School banking starts again next week. They will pick up the banking on Thursday mornings. Children can put their banking in the red banking box in the Office.



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