Manawaru School Newsletter



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Our focus this term is our school vision 'Empowering learners for their future'

4 December 2020

Empowering learners for their future

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

The end of the school year is racing towards us, and as usual life at school is full. It is reassuring that in this crazy year some things are the same as usual! We are looking forward to having some fun before we wrap up for the year as well as the more formal stuff!

One of the many benefits for Manawaru School with regard to Community View are the relationships that have already been fostered.

During the process of the opening the school was able to build links with Te Wharekura o Te Rau Aroha, which resulted in the fabulous kapa haka demonstration we were able to watch - awe inspiring! We are looking forward to continuing these links into 2021, hopefully visiting each others schools. Last week we began kapa haka. We have tried for sometime to bring kapa haka to Manawaru School, but there is a real shortage of people power. Our contact from Ngãti Hinerangi, Hinerangi sorted us out, and as a result we have begun kapa haka. Thanks Community View! Not only do we enjoy your coffee, and the climbing wall, and the superb support from Eli, but you have great contacts as well!

Last week the Kaahui Ako Community Support community meetings were held. If you were unable to make them, this is not the end! If you feel like you might need some support, or know someone who does, or actually just want to check you are on the right path - contact tpc@tpc.org.nz or phone 07 846 6907. No pressure, totally confidential and free. It doesn't need to be a big deal, maybe just one meeting, see how you go.

I would like to mention my thanks to the contribution to Te Aroha learning two of my colleagues have made. Kristine Osbourne has been a part of the Te Aroha Principal's Team since before I arrived. Kristine is retiring, but may be back to do some relieving. I will miss Kristine's forthright perspective and her positive support. Sandy Stirling has been a more recent addition to the team. Sandy has been at Elstow Waihou for three years, and his enthusiasm for working as a team, and his thoughtful contributions will be missed. Sandy is heading back to the Big Smoke, to make the difference in Auckland. We are fortunate in Te Aroha to have a good team of Principals.

This year we will once again farewell a magnificent group of learners, off on their next adventures. It is one of the joys of being part of the Manawaru School Team that we have been involved with supporting them on their journey. We wish them, and their families the very best of futures.

We finish on December 11 so if you want a pool key get in quick.

This will be the last community newsletter for the 2020 year. I hope that in spite of all the challenges that have arisen that you are all in a good space to enjoy time with family and friends over the summer. That is one thing I think we have all come to appreciate this year - the value of being with those people who are most important to us.

Kia atawhai

Rosemary

"Happiness is not something ready-made. It comes from your own actions." - Dalai Lama

COMING EVENTS

<u>December</u>

- 8 Hearing and Vision technician will be at school after lunch.
- 9 Top Town at school.
- 10 Prize-giving and Final Assembly for the vear.
- 10 Last day of school for children.
- 11 Teacher Only Day.

February 2021

2 First day of school for 2021

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 any sausage sizzles or fundraising things is:

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SWIMMING POOL KEYS

The Manawaru School swimming pool keys will be available to hire again for the season.

A set of rules needs to be read and signed before keys will be issued. The cost is:

\$40.00 for school families \$60.00 for non-school families

There will be a \$10.00 refund when the key is returned.

Keys and forms are available to fill out at the school office.

Please note that no keys will be issued during the school holidays.



CALF REARING

This year our live calf fundraising scheme has managed to raise \$5,482.05 for our Manawaru School kids. Thankyou so much to the following people; we couldn't have done this without your amazing support:

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- Murray and Kerry Weedon
- Shuren Mohi and Bev Ihaka-Waititi

Te Wharekura O Te Rau Aroha invited us to watch them perform at Community View last week. This was in preparation for their Kapa haka Nationals competition next year. It was amazing!













We have begun!

We are so excited to finally have Manawaru School Kapa haka underway!
Thanks to Hinerangi Vaimoso from Ngãti Hinerangi, we are delighted
Roger and Raukawa have come to teach us Kapa haka.
We couldn't wait until next year to start of course!
Those of you who were at the opening of Community View would have seen Roger and Raukawa in action, and know how awesome they are!



















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Newsletter No.2 December 2020

What a year!! It certainly has been one for the history books.

So we didn't quite get to our 4 newsletters this year—but we did finally open up the Heritage Centre!

Saturday 23rd September was a beautiful sunny day, and our grand celebrations went off without a hitch, as both The Manawaru Heritage Centre and Community View finally opened to the public.

We are now open Wednesday to Sunday, 10am to 2pm, and so far we have had a brilliant reception.

But now its up to our community—we are looking for anyone who would like to volunteer their time at the centre, either opening up for a rostered day or helping with displays and upkeep. Contact Vicky if you think you can help—or come to our coffee mornings—see below!!

George Armstrong, our Chair, has also published a new book—'The Bridge of Unity'—chronicling some of Manawaru's history and is being sold at the centre for \$20. This is a limited publication so get in quick!!

We hope you all have a restful summer and a Merry Christmas!! Vicky

Manawaru Heritage Centre Manager



If you would like to get more involved —volunteer some time or get involved with the displays drop in at our:-

Manawaru Heritage Centre

Coffee Mornings

Every 1st Wednesday of the month from February 2021 at 10am

Vicky Kelly

Centre Manager

manawaruheritage@gmail.com

or on

021 048 3593

www.manawaruheritage.org



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MANAWARU HALL BOOKINGS

If you would like to make any hall bookings please phone Alys on 021 0230 3003



Manawaru Community Church Christmas Carol Service



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

To be held on Sunday, 20th December at 7:15 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.







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