

# Manawaru School

## Newsletter



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## Empowering learners for their future



### Touch Base with Tumuaki

Welcome to term 2! Hopefully everyone has recovered from the recent tricky weather. Thank goodness for the fantastic team of fundraisers from Te Aroha College South African Tour team who swooped in and did a fabulous job of removing mounds of debris from the school grounds. If you need a team of trusty workers this team comes highly recommended! Thanks guys!

It is lovely to have some fine weather at school, definitely best if everyone can get outside to enjoy themselves and soak up some of that precious Vitamin D! We have decided to re-share some of the valuable food 'nuggets' that were sent out under the old Project Energise. These simple tips may help families stay healthier as we face the more challenging winter months. We know that our families are proactive in keeping sick kids home, and we do appreciate that, but we are sure you want your children to recover quickly, and the Project Energise tips may help.

This term looks like it is going to be another full one. We are having a go at moving our student led conferences to the end of this term, hopefully this works for dairy farmers better. A recent missive from the MOE on reporting will impact on how our written reports look, and I am sure this will be a work in progress. We are planning for written reports to come to you before the conferences, so you are fully informed. Remember if you do have queries regarding your child's progress and achievement, class teachers are happy to provide information, and if you have information to share that we can use to support your child's learning, please let us know. Just remember to book a time in, we seem to be having an increasing number of meetings and managing our time can be tricky!

The MOE has released a 'Parents Portal', which enables parents to access more information on expected progress and achievement in relation to your child's year group, which you may find interesting. We will include links through Hero, but I am sure you can just google it and it will be there. The planning for next term currently has me taking a sabbatical for the term. Planning for a relieving principal is underway with Joanne Synge, a former colleague, well used to a rural school. This way we hope to minimize classroom disruption, while getting the job done.

BOT elections are a few months away. We do have vacancies that we need to fill. Being on the BOT is not often time consuming. The role requires a bit of reading, and the rest can be learned. The BOTs role is governance of a MOE funded school, so there are lots of guidelines! It can be really useful to have input from a range of backgrounds, just because school may not have been your thing it doesn't mean BOTs are not for you! If you think you might be interested, and you want to catch up with someone to find out catch up with a BOT member, ring the office if you are not sure who to contact.

We are looking forward to seeing our new carpet tiles going down in the classrooms, some of the carpets are showing they have been well used! They were supposed to be installed this week. The installers have been delayed by asbestos elsewhere. Fortunate really, since someone decided to take a number of boxes of tiles over the weekend, which now need to be replaced. The remaining tiles needed to be moved somewhere more secure, thanks again to the great fundraising team from the Te Aroha College Fundraising Team who raced in at a couple of hours notice to save the day, and the remaining tiles! Beginning of June is the new installation date, so that will be an action packed week!

Take care  
Rosemary

*The beauty of the human brain is that it's malleable. In order to get sufficient change you need multiple doses of the right kind of experience with attentive and loving people in your life' Dr Bruce Perry*

## **COMING EVENTS**

### **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

### **August**

8 School Cross Country  
13 District Cross Country  
26 Thames Valley Cross Country  
29 Book Battle

### **September**

19 Last Day Term 3

### **October**

6 First Day Term 4  
27 Public Holiday (School Closed)  
28 School Athletics Day

### **November**

10 School Photos  
21 Thames Valley Athletic

### **December**

5 Beach Education Day (Papamoa)

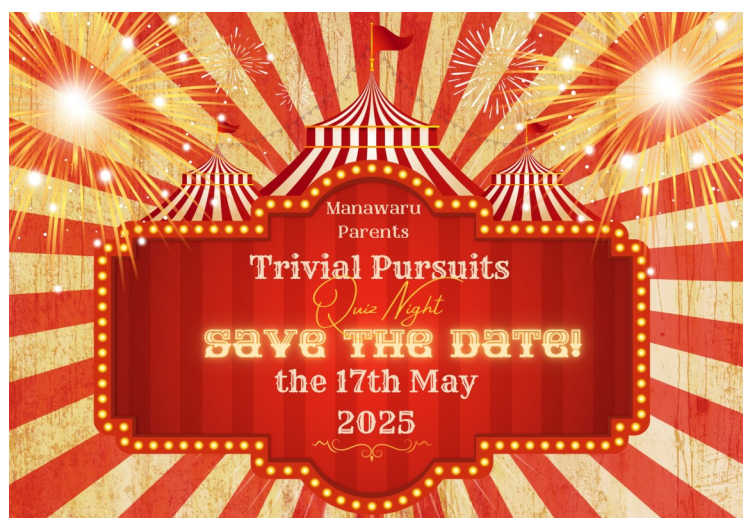
## **REMINDERS**

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

**03 1573 0013006 00**

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

02 0436 0071213 00



## **Manawaru Table Tennis Club**

Wednesday Nights 7:30pm  
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New Members welcome!  
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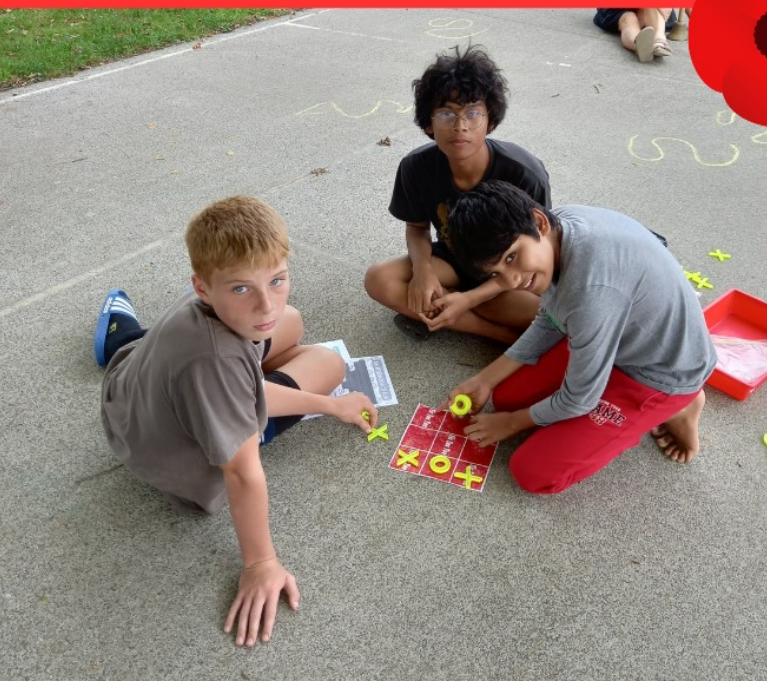
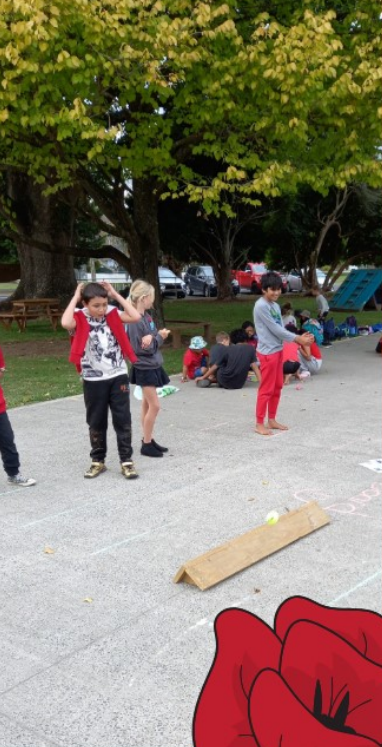
## **MANAWARU HALL BOOKINGS**

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



An awesome way to end Term 1.  
A chance to come together and  
have some fun. We played a range  
of old fashioned games -  
Knucklebones, Elastics, Egg and  
Spoon Races, 3 Legged Races and  
many more







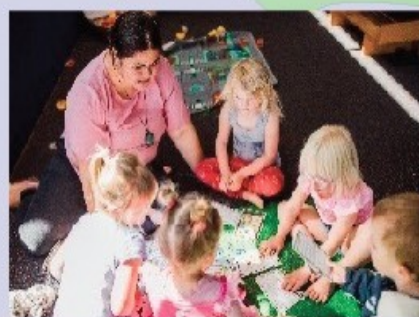
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# SMART SWAP #1

Welcome back to the new year with Energize! This term we are looking at 'smart swaps' – simple and easy ways to make food taste great while also being healthy.



## HOMEMADE WEDGES

An easy, tasty, cheap and healthy alternative to deep fried chips.

Preheat oven to 200C.  
Scrub potatoes and cut into wedges.  
Briefly heat 1T oil in oven, add potatoes and bake for 20-30 minutes, turning once during cooking.

*Welcome to  
our Village*

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