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Kia Ora Koutou

We hope everyone enjoyed their long weekend! With only six weeks left this term we are all working at full pace. Next week if the weather is kind we will be holding a school athletics on Thursday for Years 1-5. This is a fun morning that gives the younger students an experience with athletics while the Year 4-5 are competing for places to attend the Eastern Zone. A note will come out early next week.

It has been a very interesting week politically with the new government taking little time to make some big changes. The latest for education is the scrapping of National Standards as a measure for student achievement. We will keep you updated on what this will mean for parents and care-



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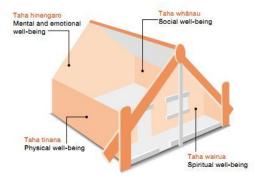
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givers as we want to make sure you are completely in the picture of how your child is achieving at school. National Standards are a very harsh measure especially for Primary School students. They do not take in any of the theory around how our brains develop or how we learn at different paces. It will be interesting and hopefully exciting to see what replaces this measure.

Over the last year we have been working on developing a strategic plan for the next three years. It has been a challenging task to collect different perspectives and tie them together into a plan. There are some obvious actions and government directed actions that will happen each year, health and safety, National Education Guidelines (NAG) etc. But the most important is the 'actions' that we have identified through consultation. One of the words that came through time and time again was 'resilience'. We have spent aconsiderable amount of time looking at how we can put plans in place that will support our tamariki to be resilient. Surely if our students are proud of where they come from, proud of who they are and have plenty of opportunities to explore their unique environment they will develop a stronger understanding of themselves and where they stand in this world. Looking at strengthening the identity of our students will be one of our key actions.

We also got a strong message around Hauora/ Health - The NZ Curriculum defines this as Taha tinana - Physical well-being *the physical body, its growth, development, and ability to move, and ways of caring for it* Taha hinengaro - Mental and emotional well-being *coherent thinking processes, acknowledging and expressing thoughts and feelings and responding constructively* Taha whanau - Social well-being *family relationships, friendships, and other interpersonal relationships; feelings of belonging, compassion, and caring; and social support* 

Taha wairua - Spiritual well-being the values and beliefs that determine the way people live, the search for meaning and purpose in life, and personal identity and self-awareness



Dr Mason Durie's whare tapawha model compares hauora to the four walls of a whare, each wall representing a different dimension: taha wairua (the spiritual side); taha hinengaro (thoughts and feelings); taha tinana (the physical side); and taha whanau (family). All four dimensions are necessary for strength and symmetry.

When we think about obesity and mental health statistics in NZ and the call from our community via the consultation it is something that we cannot ignore. Building the four walls is going to be an important part of the Mangonui School curriculum. There is still a lot of work to be completed and hopefully a draft copy will be available for everyone to have a look at soon.

Christmas in the Park is just around the corner! We have a very dedicated group of parents organising this day. They will definitely need some support on the 25th November (even if you can only spare an hour) so please make sure you step up and help make this day a great one!

Nga Mihi Dave Sedcole







#### Kotuku

**Kaylee Franklin:** Your enthusiasm towards school life is infectious - fantastic growth mindset. **Dylan Mdouari:** Making good decisions in his learning - keep it up! **Te Wai Tait:** Thoroughly enjoying your sense of humour - you put a smile on my face - thanks

#### Taniwha

**Ethan Ti'i:** for improving his writing by working towards the success criteria; **Jorja Pederson:** by identifying a kaitiaki goal and working towards it **Aimee Strawbridge:** becoming more aware of a her next learning steps. **Izaiah Kauvarevai:** Having an inquisitive mind and exploring the world around him. **Maxwell Harley:** Setting a Kaitiaki goal for Term 4 that supports his learning. **Carter Bird:** Supporting and encouraging other learners through his helpful blog comments.

#### **Active Ferns**

The Duffy Caught Being Good Award went to **Kuirau Edwards** for getting straight into his mahi week 1 and for his awesome work with Whaea Gina during rugby! The Kaitiaki Award went to **Jasper Broughton** for his incredible maths thinking and using tidy number to solve a complex equation. A Star Student award went **Peyton Shaw** for her hard work and focus in pyramid maths and for her excellent character description of Captain Underpants!

Reading Nights Awards: 125 Nights: Brendon Dowman. 150 Nights: Mackenzie Brame, Samuel Russell, Fern Tracey. 175 Nights: Thomas Russell. 200 Nights: Taniora Pike-Venner. 250 Nights: Cooper Hare.

#### Taonga

The Duffy Caught Being Good Award went to **Angel Keogh** for making a great start to the term and demonstrating a growth mindset. **Te Ohu Broughton** received a certificate for creating wonderfully descriptive and informative sentences about a dragon in story writing. The Kaitiaki award went to **Cody MacDonald** for sharing the ukulele without being asked. **Sam Morgan** received an award for thinking carefully about what he is reading and discussing this well.

Reading Night's Awards: 100 Nights **Sam Morgan**. 125 nights **Cody MacDonald**. 175 nights **Marley Matia**. 200 nights **Anthony Tepania** & **Cooper Hibbard**.

#### Nga Ringa Awhina

**Titan Broughton** got an award for trying really hard at everything. What a great attitude. **Ashton Chuck** got an award for settling into his new class well. Ka Pai. **Katiana Meti** got an award for Kaitiaki to others. Always being kind and helpful. Ka pai Nga Ringa students.

#### Pukeko

The Duffy Caught Being Good certificate goes to **Tiare Harris** for always doing the right thing at the right time. Ka Pai. Kaitiaki of Self goes to **Cole Tracey** for working hard with his reading and learning his word lists. **Gracie Hare** received a certificate for loving reading at school and at home and now reading at level 5. Ka Pai. **Reading Awards: 75 Nights** Brody Masters. **50 Nights**: Attalia Rarere, Cole Tracey, Tiare Harris, Gracie Hare, Cordez Baker. **25 nights:** Estella Thompson-Harris, Gracie Hare, Cleveland Turnbull, Tyler Ashby.

## **COMING EVENTS CALENDAR**

Week 1 Mon 16 Oct Week 4 Tue 7th & Wed 8th Nov Week 6 Sat 25 Nov Week 8 Mon 4th - Thurs 7th Dec

Term 4 begins

Taonga & Active Ferns Camp

Christmas in the Park Whanau Day

Year 6 Camp to Whangarei Taniwha Action Week

## REMINDER

## Sunhats are compulsory at School in Term 4 These are available from the School Office for \$5

### **ABSENCES**

It's super important that if your child is absent that you let us know as soon as possible please.

When an explanation is not received the absence shows up as a '?' which then turns into a 'T' for 'Truant' after two days.

Of course we do not want our wonderful tamariki having truancy in their attendance, so just let us know reasons for any absence as quick as you can by one of the following methods:

Phone the office: Text or call the office mobile: Email the office: Fill in form on our website: 406 0182 (leave voice message if unanswered) 021 544 702 <u>office@mangonui.school.nz</u> <u>www.mangonui.school.nz</u>

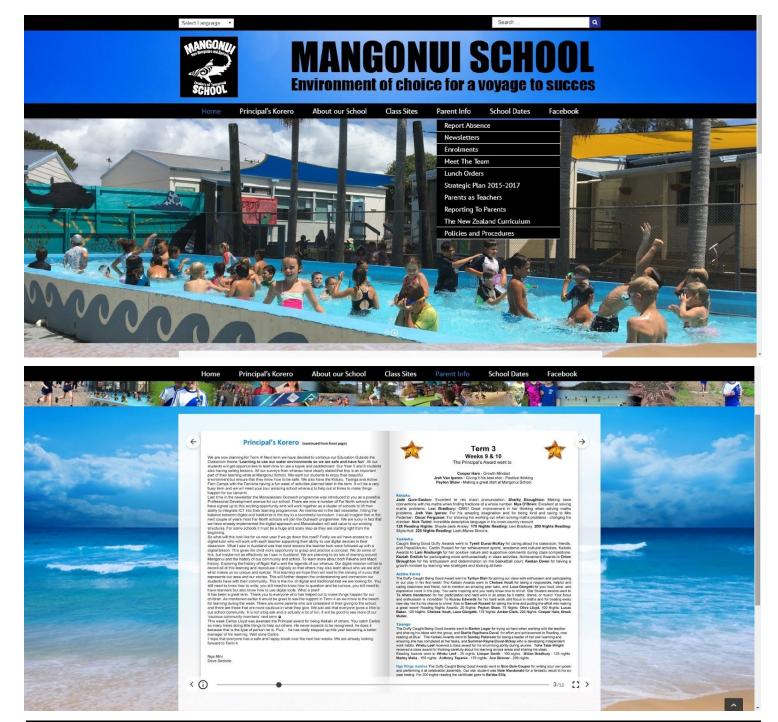
If you have any questions about your child's attendance record, please contact Angela in the office on the above phone numbers or email address.

## **New Website!**

We are very excited to have a new website, where you can easily find your student's class information, blogs and more! You can also check out our newsletter online, report absences, and link straight to our facebook page to keep up-to-date with all the latest news. Make sure you check it out!

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## Taniwha - Habitat Heroes

Taniwha class has been busy getting their hands dirty this year. Recently we have injected life into our school vegetable gardens. Tamariki have been learning all about how to cultivate their own kai.

We recently received word that our mahi planting trees at Rangikapiti stood out so much that DOC has awarded us one of their Habitat Heroes Awards. This means \$500 for Mangonui School to put towards our efforts to connect our tamariki to the land around them.

Thank you to all those whanau and tamariki that had a hand in this project, you should all be extremely proud of the conservation work you took part in!

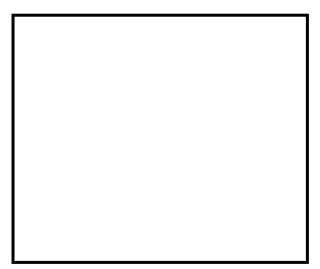
## **Bright and bold!**

Active Ferns have been looking at Navajo rugs and their strong geometric patterns. Using paint we were inspired to create our own bright and banded patterns.









## **KOTUKU POTTERS!!!!**

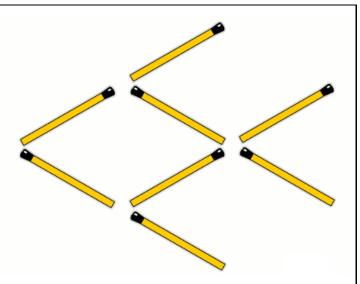


#### KOTUKU MATHS PROBLEM - CAN YOU DO IT?

Kotuku have been working on solving maths problems. See if you can solve this maths problem and if you need help ask a tamariki in Kotuku akomanga.

Can you turn the fish?

Move three sticks and make the fish swim in the opposite direction.



My head felt like it was going to explode! I had a roaring headache. It felt like we'd been driving for days! Finally, my mum got out of the car and asked for directions. A few minutes later the car stopped. I opened one, then the other. WE WERE FINALLY THERE! Fern Flat here I come!

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I started shaking as I moved closer to the edge. It was a looonnng way down. How could people jump from here? I felt as if the butterflies were eating my insides. "3, 2, 1, LEAP!" Damn. My feet wouldn't leave the ground. So what if I wussed out? I think I'll try the moss slide. I told myself.

The moss slide wasn't really that bad! At the end there was a big rock that looked like you were about to crash into it, but apart from that it was great! I made my way back up the track to the great, almighty, leap.

"3, 2, 1, LEAP!" I felt like I was a bird swooping down on it's prey. Suddenly I thought, it was a long way down but this didn't seem real. I now felt like I was falling forever! I put my hands out.SPLASH! My hands felt like they were on fire! Once I climbed the ladder and put my towel around my shoulders, I looked at my hands. They were completely red. How I wished I hadn't put my hands out!

As we left, I knew that I would never forget the day I conquered the almighty leap!

Caitlin Russell Year 5

# Fireworks Extravaganza



# Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> November 2017

## Mangonui Volunteer Fire Brigade

Wrathall Road Mangonui Sta

Starts 7.30 pm

Food available onsite: Gold coin collection on the night

#### Fireworks Display Sponsored



# Kaitaia SPCA Fun Walk/Run 3rd Annual Fundraiser, November 11th 2017 At Lake Ngatu

Registration Time: 9.30 am Where: Lake Ngatu Track Walk/Run Starts : 10am



 Best dressed human and dog prizes.
Spot prizes.
All proceeds go to our Kaitaia shelter.



- Well behaved dogs welcome, on leads please.
- \* T-shirts and caps for purchase.
- Food and drink to purchase.
- Raffles

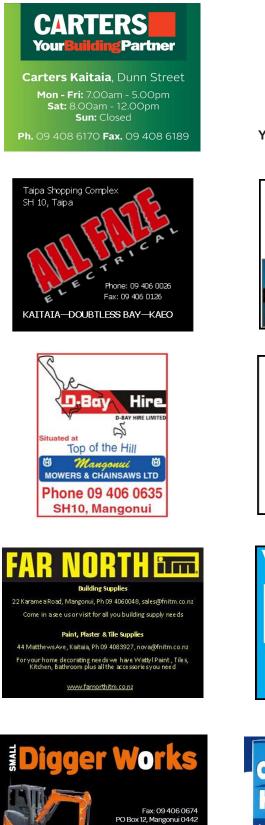


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