



TE KURA O MAUNGATAPU MAUNGATAPU SCHOOL

School newsletter - Week 5 Term 3 2024

School roll - 624

Kia ora koutou katoa.

Welcome to week 5 of term 3. We are at the half way mark of the term and we have some exciting school events coming up during the second half of the term. Most of these events can be found on our school calendar which is on our website.

Playgrounds

Of late I have enjoyed working with a group of student councillors who are planning and designing a new playground. These students represent their peers and are the voice for their classrooms. Our trip on Monday to Taumata School was an opportunity to look at their playground facilities and to identify what is fun, what is safe and what we would like at our school.

A reminder that 'playgrounds' is an item that we have included in our 2024 strategic plan. This came from our parent consultation survey at the end of 2023.

Communication

We have many different types of communication systems to share information with parents. Feedback from parents tells us that the preferred system is using Seesaw. Seesaw captures student voice where learning can be shared between school and home. You can support your child's learning at home by leaving a comment on Seesaw, being excited about his/her learning and talking to them about any extra curricular such as kapa haka, the bike track, music, STEAM and in class inquiry topics.

Every child should be reading a book every night. Please communicate with your child's teacher if you need support with this.

Year 5/6 speeches

Year 5

1st place: Millie Fryer – The Australian/New Zealand Rivalry

2nd place: Holly Hughes – Cutlery

Year 6

1st place: Sahra Wallace – The Guinness Book of Records

2nd place: Kaiden Taikato-Elers – The Effects of Technology



CBK are located at 1 Devonport Rd in Tauranga. Once again this year they have come on board to support our staff and children by offering dinner vouchers and Free Cookie Skillets for kids. We encourage all whanau to support CBK as one of our school sponsors last year and this year.

<https://www.cbk.nz/locations/north-island/tauranga/> **07 578 4700**

Tui Cafe

Opening times

8.15am - 9.00am

Nau mai, Haere mai

\$3.50 barista made hot chocolate

\$3.50 Raglan Roast coffee

All proceeds go back to the school

Eftpos only



Student designed logo

ATTENDANCE GOAL 2024: 87%

Current Attendance 86.5%

Highest attendance class

Room 8 @ 91%

Health curriculum consultation

The Education Review Office is currently reviewing the relationships and sexuality education curriculum, which fits under the health curriculum in schools. This area of the curriculum has been challenging for schools to teach. At Maungatapu School we use outside expertise such as 'Life Education' to teach this aspect of the curriculum.

Furthermore, it is a Ministry of Education requirement for school Boards of Trustees to consult with communities regarding how health education is implemented in their school.

Please take a moment to complete the survey using the link below:

<https://forms.gle/2ctcVGKpTy95pR8v6>

Year 3/4 hockey

Congratulations to our year 3/4 hockey team that won every game at their tournament on Tuesday. The team played Greenpark, Arataki, Tahatai Coast and Golden Sands School. Good luck to our Year 5/6 players going out next week. Thank you coaches/parents for your support.



School Fun Run

To date we have raised \$22,000 from the Fun Run initiative. Proceeds of the Fun Run will go towards sustainability and installing solar panels at school. The event is on Thursday 12th September. Students need to create a student profile page to start the fundraising process. To do this visit <https://schoolfundraising.co.nz/>

Everything you need to know about the fun run can be found here.

Top 5 classes with funds raised so far:

Room 5 - \$1708

Room 14 - \$1657

Room 24 \$1604

Room 4 \$1569



Thank you again to our MASH team for making this event possible and to all our supporters.

School docs policy website

Below is the link to SchoolDocs, a website for our school policies and procedures.

Our board has the opportunity to view changes/additions and comment on them before they are implemented.

We invite you to visit the site by following these steps

1. Go to schooldocs.co.nz
2. Click **Search for your school**.
3. Start typing the school's name and select it from the dropdown list.
4. Enter the username: maungatapu and password: tui

Speed Humps - Maungatapu Rd

From a health and safety point of view, we are very pleased with how the speed humps are working on Maungatapu Rd. Unfortunately we have had to write a letter to TCC to point out that some drivers are going to the side of the speed hump closest to the roundabout to avoid slowing down. Our priority is the safety of our kids.

Kia tika te taraiwa, kia haumarū ngā tamariki!

Upcoming events

- Music with Jacob: Every Wednesday
- BOT meeting Wednesday 28 August 5.30pm
- Year 5/6 Hockey: Tuesday 27 August
- Year 5/6 Camp: Monday 2nd to Friday 6th September
- School Fun Run: Thursday 12 September

Kia kaha kia māia - Be courageous *Kia tika kia pono - Be honest*

Manaakitia te tangata, tiakina te tāiao - Be respectful