

Upcoming Events

Thursday February 6

- Waitangi Day - No school today

Thursday February 20

- Whole school beach visit

Monday March 16

- ERO visitors

Tuesday March 17

- Manakau athletics

Monday March 23

- School photos

Thursday April 9

- Last day of term

Tuesday April 28

- Term 2 begins

what is going to be an awesome year at Manakau School. We have much to share over the next few weeks, so please keep an eye on the weekly Manakau Matters.

Before the children returned to school, the teachers, Board and I met to revisit our strategic goals. Facilitator Laura Snowden guided us as we unpacked what was “precious” about Manakau School.

It is with a sense of pride that I share the 4 Strategic Goals that will guide our work over the next 3 years.

Well-Being is the Foundation of Life at Manakau School	To Foster Curiosity to enhance Student engagement	To Grow Skilled and Actively Involved members of Society	To Be Guardians of Our Community
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These goals support the localised curriculum that we are building as a school. A reminder of what this looks like will be sent out next week.

Last week the staff and I also had the opportunity to meet with over 100 teachers from schools in the Ngati Raukawa Rohe. We spent the day at Whakawehi Marae, Poutu Pa (Shannon). It was an opportunity to connect with colleagues, learn of the history and waiata of our area. Facilitated by the Horowhenua Community of Learning it is the first of many planned events where we (the teachers in the Horowhenua) collectively focus on working together so that our children have success.

Attached to this Manakau Matters you will also find a copy of the new Behaviour Flow Chart that is visible in all of our learning spaces. The intent of this document is to establish clear expectations and support, to ensure all of our children give their Personal Best. Please talk to your classroom teacher if you would like more information about this.

...and now to the glorious new classrooms....last week Kaumatua from Ngati Wehi Wehi, Staff and school families blessed the new classrooms ready for the work of putting them in their ‘final resting place’. Work for real has begun today with the first pile holes being dug! I couldn’t be happier and we are still working to be in these learning spaces at the end of this term!



Tena koutou katoa, Nau mai, hoki mai ki te kura e tenei tau. Welcome back

I hope you and your families have had a really positive break and are ready and raring to go for



Personal Best Always

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Horowhenua Aquatics

Let's Move Together Tryathlon.
Swim - Cycle - Run

Take part in one of the Horowhenua's biggest family fun sporting activities this summer. Free sausage sizzle, bouncy castle and fun swim after.

Levin - \$5 - Saturday 15 February.
9-11am at Levin Aquatics Centre.

For more information, please contact
LewisY@horowhenua.govt.nz or check out our
website at www.aquatics.horowhenua.govt.nz.

Weetbix Tryathlon

Wednesday March 18
Ongley Park, Palmerston North.

You can register through the Weebix Tryathlon website. If you click on the school link, Manakau School is already set up as an option.

Manakau Store provides school lunches from a base rate of \$5 = 1 cookie, 1 piece of fruit, 1 cassava crisps, 1 sandwich of one filling.

Choose your fruit and cookie option in store whilst your sandwich is being made. No need to order in advance.

Open from 6am to 6pm. Phone 362 6840

Horowhenua Community Music Workshop.

Music tuition for primary and intermediate age children held after school at Levin Intermediate School.

Tuition for : keyboard, guitar, bass, violin, ukulele, drums, flute, clarinet and recorder. The cost of lessons is \$30 for three terms.

Registrations for 2020.
www.musicworkshop.homedns.org
or Ph: 368 2510.

Plunket Manakau Playgroup.

Everyone is welcome. Held every Tuesday and Thursday morning. 9.30am-12noon. Honi Taipua Street. The cost is \$2 per child, per session + a piece of fruit to share at morning tea.

For more info find us on facebook
@manakauplaygroup or text Anita on 021 212 9230



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