



Upcoming Events

Monday June 1

- Queens Birthday Holiday

Friday July 3rd

- Matariki
- Last day of term

Monday July 20

- Term 3 begins



Thank you to everyone who is signing in/out upon entering the school grounds, and not entering our classrooms. Also, **thank you** to all the students who are making an effort to follow procedures for entering their classrooms, being distance conscience, and for following hygiene requirements.

PE/Health Survey

We have received 14 responses to the PE/Health Survey. Many thanks to those of you who have completed the online survey, and would appreciate some more responses to help us with planning. We will be closing it off on Friday at 3pm so that the responses can be collated. <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/ZMLP9RZ>

SPORTING OPPORTUNITIES - Winter Hockey Years 0-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8

Horowhenua hockey is looking for teams for the Winter season. Some children have expressed an interest in playing hockey this year and have taken home additional information. If you would like your child to play please fill in the form which accompanies this newsletter and we will send the info home.

If we don't have enough people to make a Manakau Team, Horowhenua hockey will try to make teams by combining schools.

An Opportunity...

Wellbeing and transitions back to early learning and school for children and young people with learning support needs.

Hosted by Dr David Wales, National Director, Learning Support, this webinar is for parents and whanau supporting children and young people with disabilities, high health needs, learning and behaviour difficulties to return to early learning services and schools.

Panellists including Mark Potter, Principal Berhampore Primary School, parent Friar Wadia, RTLB Cluster Manager Roseanne Gibson, Practice Adviser Māori (Pouhikiahurea) Sonja MacFarlane and Psychologist Michelle Wood, Ministry of Education, will share their diverse knowledge and experience.

Our parent community can [join the live webinar any time](#) from 10.45am for an 11am start on Thursday 21 May and participate by sending questions you'd like the panel to answer through the live chat.

Wellington Zoo has re-opened with **free entry** until 30 June 2020 - tickets are available online now. Bookings are essential. All visitors to the Zoo will have to pre-book their visit online to help us manage the number of visitors in the Zoo at any one time.

We will have morning and afternoon session tickets available and you'll need to enter the code **FREE** at checkout.



From Deb's desk

Welcome back to you all!! It was with a sense of nervousness that we opened the school under alert level 2 this week. I think we were all a little unsure of how our children would feel about being back at school after spending many weeks away. We (the staff and I) need not have worried. Smiles and laughter, air hugs and elbow taps, stories of great learning and time with parents have been shared and we know your children are happy to be back.

In all of the classes this term, teachers are sharing an understanding of 'Growth Mindset'. I have shared the graphic below from the research of Carol Dweck.

PARENT'S GUIDE TO A GROWTH MINDSET

Big Life Journal

*Your brain is like a muscle. When you learn, your brain grows.
The feeling of it being hard is the feeling of your brain growing!*

PRAISE



FOR:

- EFFORT
- STRATEGIES
- PROGRESS
- HARD WORK
- PERSISTENCE
- RIISING TO A CHALLENGE
- LEARNING FROM A MISTAKE

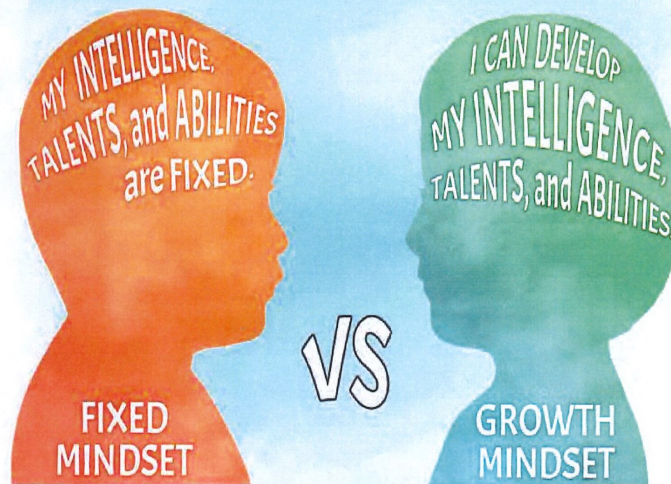
NOT FOR

- TALENT
- BEING SMART
- BORN GIFTED
- FIXED ABILITIES
- NOT MAKING MISTAKES

THE POWER OF "YET" SAY

- "YOU CAN'T DO IT YET."
- "YOU DON'T KNOW IT YET."
- "IF YOU LEARN AND PRACTICE, YOU WILL!"

BRAINS can GROW



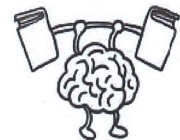
FAILURES AND MISTAKES = LEARNING

SAY

- "MISTAKES HELP YOU IMPROVE."
- "YOU CAN LEARN FROM YOUR MISTAKES."
- "LET'S SEE WHAT OTHER STRATEGIES YOU CAN TRY."

RECOGNIZE YOUR OWN MINDSET

BE MINDFUL OF YOUR OWN THINKING AND THE MESSAGES YOU SEND WITH YOUR WORDS AND ACTIONS.



ASK

- "WHAT DID YOU DO TODAY THAT MADE YOU THINK HARD?"
- "WHAT NEW STRATEGIES DID YOU TRY?"
- "WHAT MISTAKE DID YOU MAKE THAT TAUGHT YOU SOMETHING?"
- "WHAT DID YOU TRY THAT WAS HARD TODAY?"

"A growth mindset is believing in the power of yourself and your brain! We know our intellect and abilities develop when we try hard things, use the right strategies, and don't give up. So a growth mindset is when we know, with practice, we will get better at something."

This focus fits perfectly with our new strategic goals of "fostering curiosity", and "Wellbeing as a foundation for life at Manakau School". We look forward to sharing our learning with you.

Deb