



# MANAKAU SCHOOL Matters...

September 2, 2020 Term 3, Week 7

## Upcoming Events

Sunday September 13—15th

- Room 5 Ski camp

Wednesday September 16

- Senior Winter Tournament

Friday September 25

- Last day of term

Monday October 12

- First day of term 4

November Thursday 12

- Ag Day

November Saturday 21

- Manakau Country Fair

**How can you help?** The Fair takes a huge amount of work to get off the ground but most of this is covered by the PTFA. You can help in any of the following ways:

- *Manning a stall* or taking charge of a stall.
- *Assisting with the set up* - generally we do some setting up the afternoon before the Fair with the rest to be completed the morning of the Fair, from 8am.
- *Assisting with the pack down* on Saturday afternoon.
- *Baking*. We have a cake stall that makes us a large amount of money. It is expected that every family at school will supply an item for this stall. More details will come closer to the time.
- Donation of good quality second hand clothes.
- *Donation of good quality Bric-a-brac*. Please ensure the quality is good, we don't want to use all our profits on the fee to take items to the dump.
- *Come to the Fair with your friends and family*. It really is an excellent day.

## The Who, What, When, Where and Why of the Manakau School Country Fair

**Who?** The Manakau School Country Fair is the biggest fundraiser for our school organised by the PTFA. The PTFA puts in the ground work but we need help from everyone at school to make this day work - help with setting up, packing down, manning stalls and bringing your friends and family to our gala to spend their money!

**What?** We have many stalls at the Fair to hopefully help the cash roll in. We would love ideas for new stalls and helpers for those stalls as well.

**When?** Traditionally our Fair has been in Term 4. The date for this year's Fair is Saturday, November 21, 10.00am - 1pm

**Where?** At Manakau School

**Why?** To help our kids and this wonderful school we have chosen for them.

### SkoolLoop

We have added a questionnaire to SkoolLoop this week, it comes up under notices. It is in regard to Health Consultation. This is a great way for parents to have a say in what you would like to see covered in this area. We would really appreciate if you could fill this in and send it back to us. For those who would like to go in a draw for a \$50 food voucher, please include your name (however this is not compulsory).

# COMMUNITY NOTICEBOARD

Our **Ag Club AGM** will be held next Thursday, 3rd September at 7.30pm, Presidents Room, AP & I Showgrounds.

*Otaki Titans Swimming Club - join our juniors, swimming at Haruatai Pool on Monday and Wednesday 5.15-6pm, \$55/month. For info contact Renee 021 0493590*

**Pop Up Musical Theatre presents: Into the Woods Jr. September 10-12. Te Horo School Hall. Tickets: \$15/\$10.** Tickets are now on sale for this exciting show. Online ticket bookings are now open. Go to [www.popupmusicaltheatre.co.nz](http://www.popupmusicaltheatre.co.nz)

## QUARTER ACRE CAFÉ

**Re opens on Wednesday 16th September.**

Registrations for our SPRING KIDS CAMP open now!! 4pm, Monday 28th September - 11am, Friday 2nd of October. For 8 - 12 year olds. We have our usual overnight stay scenario planned (yay!) and we have systems in place to still be able to offer that style of camp, even if we are at Covid Alert Level 2. For more info about our camps, head to our website: El Rancho Camp.

The Heart of Manakau Proudly Presents Spring Quiz Night Date: Friday 18th September 2020 Time 7.30 start Location: Manakau Bowling and Sports Club. Corner of Honi Taipua and Mokena Kohere Streets Cost: \$10 per person Teams: Maximum of 12 teams with 5 per team. If you don't have 5 we can help you make up a team on the night Register your team by contacting Kimbal 36 26 395 or [mchugo@woosh.co.nz](mailto:mchugo@woosh.co.nz) John 36 26 723 or [johnhailwood@actrix.co.nz](mailto:johnhailwood@actrix.co.nz) Refreshments: The Bowling club bar will be open. Light snack food will be served during the evening The MDCA will be running raffles during the evening with all funds raised being used by the MDCA for projects that benefit the community Please support your community by entering a team.

Pop-up COVID-19 testing stations in the MidCentral region Following on from the successful pop-up day in Palmerston North recently, MidCentral DHB is continuing community testing with the next free pop-up testing being held in Levin. The pop-up will be at the car park on the corner of Salisbury St and Bath St, behind New World, on Tuesday 1 September from 10am to 4pm. MidCentral DHB Medical Officer of Health Dr Robert Weir encourages anyone without cold or flu-like symptoms to drop into the pop-up site to get a free test for COVID-19. "Following the re-emergence of COVID-19 in the Auckland region, and the subsequent move to National Alert Level 2 here in MidCentral, people are understandably feeling anxious. The community testing we'll be doing is designed to offer additional reassurance that we remain COVID-19-free, and we want to do all we can to confirm this. "We would like to see people, whether they have symptoms or not, coming to any of the planned pop-up sites around the region. In particular, we'd strongly encourage those who are at greater risk of poor health outcomes if they were to contract COVID-19 to get a test. This includes Māori and Pasifika people, those aged over 65, as well as members of the community who live with a chronic illness, such as respiratory disease, high blood pressure, heart disease and diabetes. "It's important to remember that this testing is not just for your own peace of mind, it's also to provide your family, friends and the wider community with a sense of confidence that we remain on track in our efforts to stamp out COVID-19." For anyone experiencing cold or flu symptoms, testing is available at general practices throughout the MidCentral DHB region and at the Palmerston North Designated Testing Centre on Main Street, seven days a week. "We are asking people who are experiencing any possible symptoms of COVID-19 to call Healthline or their GP team to arrange for a test." COVID-19 symptoms include: coughing, high temperature (at least 38°C), shortness of breath, sore throat, sneezing and runny nose or temporary loss of smell. Dr Weir said plans were also under way for more pop-up sites throughout the region, alongside targeted testing at various business and organisations. Details about further pop-up sites will be available soon. More information about COVID-19 in the MidCentral district can be found on our website <https://covid19.mdhb.health.nz>

## GALA DONATIONS - COLLECTING NOW

### Mystery Jars

What would you be happy to receive in a mystery jar? Make these great value. Please fill, wrap and return to school. Thank you.