

MANAKAU SCHOOL Matters...

May 22, 2024 Term 2, Week 4

Upcoming Events

May 24 Assembly -Korimako

Korimako Resthome & library visit Huia OG & Awhi Rito Kaitiakitanga Village clean up action from Term 1's Mountains to Sea programme

May 29 Korimako Cafe

June 3 Kings birthday - no school

June 4 Teachers only day - no school

Kahui Ako Mini Conference

Aro ki te hā o te tamaiti - Educators exploring trauma responsive practice

June 7 Assembly - Mrs Dears class

June 20 Yr 5/6 Otaki Rural Sports Group

Annual Soccer Tournament. PP

Wed June 21.

June 25 BOT meeting 6.15 in Staffroom

June 28 Matariki holiday - no school

July 3 Awhi Rito - Class trip

July 5 Last day of term 2

Levin Netball competition
Levin basketball competition - Mondays and
Thursdays

From Deb's Desk

I remember when my children Nathan and Molly had their first soccer games at the age of 5. Their father and I despaired as our children sat in the middle of the field picking at the grass, or when they did run with the pack of other children, like bees around the honey pot, they seemed too timid to actually get near the ball.

We had no idea that our children would grow up to play in netball, hockey, cricket, football and rugby teams for their schools and for Nathan, his chosen Wairarapa Community teams.

To me, being a part of a primary school sports team is a vital part of our childhood. Often in these teams children are working with people from different schools, or people they haven't worked with before.

Parents and teachers volunteer to coach or manage these teams. Sometimes they have lots of experience in these roles, and sometimes it's because they don't want their child to miss an opportunity, or they've drawn the short straw. Whatever the reason, it is a commitment that is at times under valued.

As we start our Term 2 sports season, please remember to be supportive of your child and their team. Positive comments from the side line are always appreciated, and so is an understanding that we all develop skills and talents at different rates. The following is an excerpt from a Sport NZ paper on the Sport in Schools;

"The sporting needs of children change as they develop not only physically but also emotionally, socially and cognitively. While the majority of children through pass the developmental phases, each child develops at their own pace. Chronological age is a poor indicator of development and progress, especially in sport. There is no magic age at which a child is ready to play organised sport. Evidence suggests that success in sport does not depend on how early a child gets involved in sport, but is associated with a child participating when they are optimally ready to participate."

Deb Logan - Principal



Junior tough guy and gal challenge. Palmerston North, 27th/28th may 2024. For more information go to www.eventpromotions.co.nz





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