



Up-Coming Event

John Parsons – Cyber Awareness

I strongly recommend this presentation. 6.30 @ Te Takere TONIGHT

Week 10 – This week

Friday 6th – Junior Athletics @11am
Come wearing house colours ☺

John Parson's working with our Year 4-8 students

UP-COMING EVENTS

Week 11

Zero Waste Educator working with all classes

Interschool Athletics

EPRO8 Challenge Semi-finals

Last day of term Friday 13th

Bus will run as per normal

Manakau School Values

Perseverance

Respect

Integrity

Diversity

Excellence

Principal's Message - *from Deb's Desk*

Nga mihi ki a koutou - Greetings to you all in our penultimate week for the term.

Over the past 7 weeks Mel, Rob and I have been trying our hand at waka ama. We are all members of the Otaki Waka Hoe Club (Masters division ☺) and are preparing for a 24km race in Raglan later this year. In education circles 'being in the same waka' is an analogy often used to describe organisational structure or shared vision, often it represents a journey that may be taken...personal or as part of a bigger picture.

For me being on the water is a space of focus, and also of reflection. Everyone on our waka has a role, from the pace setter at number 1 through to the steerer at number 6 and unless we are all in sync. our waka sits low in the water, and we feel like we are paddling through heavy seas. Our team has a clear goal in mind and we are working together to achieve it.

So, relating this to school at the end of our first term for 2018, I give thanks to the team in our Manakau School waka. This term has been one of new beginnings, as our new staff, students and families build an understanding of 'how we do things here' and merge it with 'how we did it there' to create a space where we all have ownership. It is one of the very special aspects of working in a school environment, everyday is an opportunity to learn more about how each of us work and what drives us to give our **PERSONAL BEST ALWAYS**.

What continues to be important in our school waka is the diversity we all bring and the skills that people are willing to share with us. Many thanks to those of you who are part of our Reading Grandie programme. Your patience and commitment to our teachers and children really makes a difference. Thanks also to those parents who have supported the sports teams throughout this term.

And so in closing, I wish you and your families a wonderful final week at school (next week), and very happy holidays.

Sharing my thinking,
Deb Logan

KEEPING YOU IN THE LOOP

Principal's PBA Award

Gwinny- Outstanding attitude and commitment to give 100% in all you do!
Dana- Stunning personality and attitude
Personal Best consistently shared with others.

Class Awards

Room 1

Kiera: excellence in attitude and effort at school
Noel: Confidence and enthusiasm using the new playground

Room 3

Amelia and Luke - great progress in basic facts
Levi and Harriet - PBA Leadership
Zarnia - Guru of paper scissors rock
Tane always showing PBA and PRIDE

Room 3 + Room 4

Kingston - excellence in discus and conduct during athletics
Elijah - discovering his high jump talent and improved focus in class

Room 5

Elliot, Sam, Caitlyn, Kenny - Epro 8 challenge
Harrison - positive attitude in everything
Caitlyn - Fantastic Kapiti Island art
Leia - Fantastic Kapiti Island Art

Senior Athletics

It was an exceptional day for the senior athletics event with lots of house colours on show. Many thanks to the skills of Mr Singer for making sure all students were able to participate fully in this event. 100% + effort was on show and the performances reflected the practise and focus that had been spent on athletics this term. The representatives in the interschool event will receive notices today.

Stanley (Yellow) awarded 10 bonus points for best sportspersonship and Elliot (Green) for outstanding leadership.

Hockey

Another win for our hockey team to end the Summer season. It has been one of the weeks highlights to see the improved skills of this team. They come to practises ready and raring to go and are a pleasure to be around. Team work and Personal Best is always on show.

Permission slips for the Winter season go out today. Competition games will be Monday nights

Cricket Update

Our final games were held last Monday and all students were awarded their certificates. Congratulations to the Year 5/6/7 team who WON their grade. A great achievement as this is the first time Manakau School has participated in this competition.



HOUSE POINTS ANNOUNCEMENT!!

1st Yellow - 77 points

2nd Red - 76 points

3rd Green - 65 points

4th Blue - 64 points

Top point scorers in each year group are as follows;

Year 4 Boys – Luke 31 points

Year 4 Girls- Anya 20 points

Year 5 Boys- Sam O 19 points

Year 5 Girls- Niyana and Anna C 23 points

Year 6 Boys- Ned 28 points

Year 6 Girls- Alie 18 points

Year 7 Boys – Spencer 24 points

Year 7 Girls – Anna 27 points

Year 8 Boys – Kenny 25 points

Year 8 Girls – Gwynie 26 points



CREATING in CLAY

Otaki Pottery Club
School Holiday Clay Workshops
for young people aged 7—18 years
Tutor: Paula Archibald.

1st Term Holidays - 2018
Tuesday 17th April 10am-12.30pm
Tuesday 17th April 1.30-4pm
Thursday 19th April 10am - 12.30pm
\$30 per person, includes materials & firing.

To enrol contact :

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A message from Horizons...

We are celebrating World Fish Migration Day on 21 April 2018 and we would love your students to join us by entering a colouring-in competition. There are some great fishy-themed prizes up for grabs for both the winning students and the school.

World Fish Migration Day is a great opportunity to connect fish, rivers and people right here in New Zealand and around the world. Many of our awesome native fish need to move between the ocean and rivers to complete their life cycle. For example, the fish which make up whitebait fritters are comprised of five different species of native fish, all of which are make their way upstream from the ocean to find a new home.

A colouring-in template which can be coloured-in or decorated using any materials you wish is available from school. Please bring in your completed entry(s) to School by **Monday 14 May 2018**.

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

A Mobile Dental Unit will be visiting Manakau School from Monday 30th April to examine and provide preventative treatment (cleaning, fissure sealants, x-rays and fluoride treatment) where required for patients due for their dental annual check.

Students requiring further treatment, (fillings and extractions) will be sent an information pamphlet, medical history update form and consent form. These will need to be signed and returned to either the Mobile or the school office before any treatment is undertaken.

If parents have any concerns or wish to be present at their child's dental appointment please contact us on either of the numbers below.

Regards from the Dental Team
Telephone 0272 444 217



Ibike4kids event

A fun event for kids who just love being out on their bikes.

Sunday May 20th, Victoria Explanade,
Palmerston North

Cost \$15 All participants get a medal and a goody bag too!

All ages up to 15 years.

If you can ride a bike, you can enter. Easy, medium and long courses and a 'balance bike/16in wheels for 3-5 year olds section on a shorter course for only \$10. Enter online at

www.ibike4kids.co.nz

