

Mangatawhiri School Newsletter 2021



Responsibility ~ Haepapa, Respect ~ Whakaute, Resilience ~ Aumangea It's the Mangatawhiri Way
"In life we learn in school we nurture the spirit for life" STRIVE ON

6th September 2021

Dear Parents & Community Members,
Kia Ora Koutou Katoa,

AMAZING!

You have been with your on line learning. In our first week we had 91% of our students attend zoom classes with Room 1 the best turn out with 92% of the students followed closely by Rooms 7 and 9 on 91% attendance. In week 2 we had an increase across the school for the week to 93% and the top classes of the week were Room 6 with 96% attendance followed closely by Rooms 2 and 5 on 95%.

THANK YOU!

To everyone including our mums and dads, big brothers and sisters, Grandparents and Uncles! Your support and help is so encouraging.



COVID-19: ALERT LEVEL 4

A review of Alert Levels is due this afternoon, and as you are aware our school community is currently split in half. If the alert levels are to change to level 2 for Waikato, then school will open for students to return. Students living within the Auckland boundary will be required to continue to learn from home under alert level 3 or 4.

While this will be good news (if it happens) for our Waikato families, our main concern is staffing of our school. We have 3 teachers and 2 teacher aides within

the Waikato boundary who can freely access school but all other staff (including me!) live on the 'other side'. I have applied to Business Connect for travel passes for staff but have not had these approved as yet.



In the meantime can you please send an email to office@mangatawhiri.school.nz or a text to our School mobile 027 498 0070 if your child would be coming back to school under Alert Level 2 restrictions.

As you will appreciate, it is not an easy situation for us to plan for in regards to staff access, student access, border restrictions and controls. Add to this, staff who can access school will need to continue to provide on line learning for those students who cannot attend school as well.



We will need time to put plans in place once we know the outcome of today's announcement. I will meet with our staff tomorrow morning to review who can access school and how we can manage a safe and healthy return to school. **I will keep you informed.**

Please note that Friday 10th September is our device free day, there will no on line Zoom classes or learning tasks posted to Seesaw.

Stay well.

Sharron Scouse

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MINISTRY OF EDUCATION
TE TĀHUHU O TE MĀTAURANGA

MESSAGE FROM
MINISTRY OF EDUCATION
Change in School Holiday Dates

There's been lots of interest in whether the school holidays will be moved as they were in early 2020. The situation is a little different this time around. In March 2020, as we prepared to go in Alert Level 3 and then quickly into Alert Level 4, the Government agreed to bring the Term 1 school holidays forward two weeks to ease the impact of alert level changes on parents and whānau.

We're not planning to do the same this year for a variety of reasons. Moving term dates presents challenges and we need to consider the wider and longer-term impact of doing this at this time of year. NCEA is an important consideration – there have already been changes made to external assessment dates based on current term dates. We also know many families already have plans in place, such as childcare options, for the October holidays.

But never say never. As we know, with COVID-19 things can change quickly and Minister Hipkins has advised that he'll be keeping an eye on the situation and, though we don't expect to move the school holidays, he hasn't completely ruled it out.

COMMUNICATION DURING LOCKDOWN:



PLEASE

MAKE SURE YOU ARE CHECKING:
EMAILS SEESAW SKOOL LOOP
REGULARLY

You may be missing key information
These are our main tools for communication

Happy Birthday! Happy Birthday!

3rd September ~ Mrs Schu turned older
4th September ~ Mr Schu turned older than Mrs Schu
8th September **Isabella Picard** turning 11
9th September **Emma Powar** turning 9
10th September **Sam van Dam** turning 9
10th September **Violet Lucioni** turning 7
12th September **Nirvana Forder** turning 10

2022 School Enrolments



Enrolment at Mangatawhiri School is governed by an enrolment scheme, details of which are available from the school office and on our school website.

The board has determined that the following places are likely to be available for out-of-zone students next year.

Year 0 = 5 x places
Year 1 = 5 x places
Year 2 = 5 x places
Year 4 = 3 x places
Year 6 = 3 x places
Year 8 = 5 x places

The exact number of places will depend on the number of applications received from students who live within the school's home zone.

Next year there will be two enrolment periods. The first enrolment period runs from the *first day of school (TBD)* in the new year to Friday 8th July. For students seeking enrolment within the first enrolment period, the deadline for receipt of applications for out-of-zone places is Friday 1st October 2021.

Parents of students who live within the home zone and intend enrolling their child at any time during the next year should notify the school by Friday 1st October to assist the school to plan appropriately for next year.

Please email Susan Ormsby at office@managatwhiri.school.nz

If the number of out-of-zone applications exceeds the number of places available, students will be selected by ballot. If a ballot for out-of-zone places is required, it will be held on Wednesday 20th October.

Parents will be informed of the outcome of the ballot within three school days of the ballot being held.

Details relating to the second enrolment period are as follows.

Length of enrolment period: from *first day of term 2 to last day of term 4*. Deadline for receipt of applications: Wednesday 1st June 2022. Date of ballot: Wednesday 15th June 2022.

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YOU DID IT! Congratulations



STUDENTS OF WEEK 6:



Room 1:

Aliyah Picard

For gaining confidence to speak more during our Zoom times and sharing some amazing lockdown learning experiences

Room 2:

Demi Briggs

For her huge growth in confidence and her ongoing enthusiasm for all of her lockdown learning

Room 3:

Oliver Johnson

For showing perseverance in his on line learning

Room 3:

Alyssa Clark

Getting through all of her learning and doing a really thorough job with all of the activities

Room 4:

Aleah van den Brink

Taking responsibility for her online learning and completing every single learning activity assigned to her!

Room 5:

Theo Cockrell

For showing determination and persistence in learning his maths basic facts

Room 6:

George Cockrell

Showing great enthusiasm for his lockdown learning, challenging himself to complete challenges and having a great can-do attitude

Room 7:

Alex Braid

For his attention to detail in all the work he is completing

Room 8:

Kaitlin Cumming

Going the extra mile with her online learning

Room 9:

Cameron Churchill

Challenging yourself with your home learning, you are so self-motivated and continually impressing me



Week 6 STAR Learners



Room 1:

Lily O'Connell

A riddle of instructions

I love the Circus.
I don't know how much
it costs to go there.
I want my school
friends to come with me.
There is clowns and
strong men and a tiger
and a magician.
I want to get popcorn
from there.
I love it so much!
Lilyo



Room 2:

Demi Briggs

A wonderful family beach collection of shells



Room 3: Room 3 Then & Now Photo Challenge!



Marni Burns



Luka de Vries



Indie Vujcich



Alarich Morgan

2016
2021



Billie Devlin



Phoebe Bodman



Oliver & Phoebe Johnston



Noel Linton

Room 4: Jack Dodds

Fabulous scrabble spelling

SCRABBLE SPELLING

Directions: Use the values shown on the Scrabble letter tiles to determine the total sum of each of your spelling words.

A ₄	B ₃	C ₃	D ₂	E ₄	F ₄	G ₂	H ₄	I ₄
J ₄	K ₃	L ₃	M ₃	N ₃	O ₃	P ₃	Q ₁₀	R ₃
S ₃	T ₃	U ₃	V ₃	W ₃	X ₃	Y ₃	Z ₁₀	

SPELLING WORD	EQUATION	SUM
Example: ghost	2+4+1+1+1=	9
Chimney	3+4+1+3+1+1+4	17
Hockey	4+1+3+5+1+4	18
Money	3+1+1+1+4	10
Turkey	1+1+1+5+1+4	13
Hey	4+1+4	9
Prey	3+1+1+4	9
Grey	2+1+1+4	8
Obey	1+3+1+4	9

Room 5: Bennett Smith

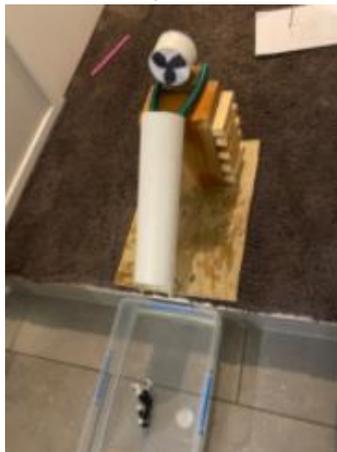
Cookie Making Skills



Room 6: George Cockrell

Building a water slide as part of a challenge to invent and design a new piece of playground equipment. He built it all himself!

This is my waterslide that I built out of wood and pipes. We had the wood and I found the pipes down the farm. Then I put them together and now I have my slide



**Room 7: John McKee
Lego Star Wars Writing**

The clone army and droid army have come to the galaxy in battle. Then there is a special secret weapon for the clone army and part of that secret weapon is delta squad. The names of the squad are Fixer, Scorch, Sev and 38. The first mission of delta squad is to eliminate Sun Fac. 38 is assigned to get to Scorch and when they get together they have to demo a bunker with c4. They then get to Fixer and then they have to disarm a security shield by overriding the system at the control panel. Scorch is a clone commando and he loves blowing stuff up. He's got strips of yellow on his armour and he's got black and blue on his helmet. 38, Scorch and Fixer have gone through the security shield to meet up with Sev. Then they are going to the Sun Fac planning room. They break a glass window and they walk through it. Then Sun Fac gets alerted by the glass breaking and then Sun Fac runs for the door and makes it through. Then they chase after him. Sun Fac makes it to his fighter plane and then he warms up his plane to get out of there. 38 says Sev, go to the sniping position and then Sev is successful and kills Sun Fac. Next, delta squad is assigned a new mission to infiltrate the separatist's factory... to be continued

**Room 8: Mackenzie Braid
Bubble People**

MUM	DAD	ALEX	NANA	POPA
AKA: Lisa Braid	AKA: Richard Braid	AKA: Alexander Braid	AKA: Anne Hill	AKA: Frank Hill
Habits: Always has to have a cup of tea before she starts the day.	Habits: Reads the news every morning before getting up.	Habits: Always has to be the first one up every morning.	Habits: Text me words of a song every morning.	Habits: Has to vacuum the floor every morning.
Funny things: Breaks out into funny dance moves.	Funny things: Loves to tease me and tells really cheesy DAD jokes.	Funny things: Tells cheesy jokes.	Funny things: Likes to tell people that Mum got her singing and dancing talent from her.	Funny things: Pops his false teeth out.
Interesting things: Likes to binge watch Netflix series.	Interesting things: Likes to bake and cook. Loves to hangout with us.	Interesting things: Loves to play basketball. Loves to eat food. Loves to game.	Interesting things: Loves to play puzzle games and word games. Loves to play Crib.	Interesting things: Likes to bake apple pie. Loves to watch English Comedy.

**Room 9: Aliyah Burns
Bubble Alphabet**

A	ADVENTURE-FILLED,	J	JOYFUL	S	SUNSHINE, SUPER, SILLY
B	BURNS BUBBLE	K	KIND KIDDOS	T	THANKFUL FOR TERRIFIC TIME TOGETHER
C	CONFUSING, CRAZY COVID CHORS	L	LOUD, LOVING, LAUGHTER	U	UNUSAL, UNICORNS
D	DELICIOUS MEALS	M	MYSTERIOUS	V	VALUABLE, VACUINING
E	EXCITING ENTERTAINMENT	N	NOISY, NANCY DREW (BOOKS)	W	WEIRD, WILD
F	FUN-FILLED FAMILY	O	ONGOING	X	XARONCHAROO (SPANISH FOR BRILLIANT)
G	GARDENING	P	PARTYING	Y	YUMMY,
H	HAPPY & HILARIOUS	Q	QUIBBLE	Z	ZOOM MEETINGS
I	INTERESTING INFORMATION	R	RASCALS, RAINBOWS		

**OTHER HIGHLIGHTS FROM
LOCKDOWN LEARNING**



**Climate Change Is Killing Our Antarctic Species
Cameron Churchill**

Antarctica, the coldest place in the world. It's also home to the Adelie Penguin. In the Winter it's dark 24 hours a day, and the temperatures are lower than -40 degrees celsius. There's a science research station 25 miles (40kms) from the penguin's habitat. For the last 6 decades (1 decade is 10 years) they have recorded the temperature around the penguins. It has shown that in each decade the temperature has increased by 2 degrees. This delays the seasonal snow storms making them arrive later. So now the snow storms are around their breeding time, this makes it harder for the penguins to look after their eggs. The penguins cover their hatching eggs to protect from the delayed snow storms. Video clip shows images of penguins covered with snow, with just a little hole to breathe out of. All they can do is hope for the best, that they and their unhatched chick doesn't drown in the melted snow they've been submerged in. The penguin has soft webbed feet designed for climbing rocks to reach their rock nest, swimming in cold weather and walking on land making a trek (journey on foot) to its nest, so it's easier to locate while the penguin fasts. Females have their babies two days apart, their nest is



built from rocks together. The female and male take turns incubating while the other feeds, they do this up to 10 days until they switch positions, the female goes out and feeds, while the male incubates the egg. Chicks have an egg tooth, which is designed for making it easier to break out of its egg.

After hatching the mother and father take turns looking for food, and watching the chick. After about a month, the chicks congregate in groups called creches, they are able to fend for themselves at sea, only between 2 and 3 months old. A large portion of their generation has been wiped out from not surviving the snow storm at an normal later time due to climate change.

Due to climate change the snow storms are coming later, this is wiping out generations of Adelie penguins, if this continues to happen, we're going to lose all our Adelie penguins. As well as this happening, the rising temperatures from climate change is melting the ice platforms that these and many other species of penguin's mate on.

We are killing our Antarctic species.

LOCKDOWN 'V' COVID - By Alex Braid



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