



TE KURA O MAUNGATAPU MAUNGATAPU SCHOOL

School newsletter - Week 9 Term 1 2022

School roll - 497

Kia ora koutou katoa.

Kia ora and welcome to week 9. Apologies for not sending out a newsletter last week, we have had to manage a shortage of staffing across the school due to covid.

Attendance

We are pleased to see that our attendance numbers are improving, shifting from 60-65% over the last 2 weeks to 80-87% this week. Hopefully this is a sign that term 2 will be less disruptive and we will be able to focus on student's learning, achievement and engagement once again.

Education Review Office

Next term we welcome the Education Review Office to our school as they start their review process of our wonderful kura. Our review officer is Niki Edwards who we will be collaborating with to highlight our success stories and areas we would like to improve in.

Covid changes

Last week the Prime Minister announced changes to some of the requirements under the various traffic light settings. These include:

- No limits to outdoor activities, such as gatherings and events
- 200 person limit for indoor gatherings
- You do not need to wear a face mask outdoors. Other facemark rules remain unchanged.
- There is no requirement for a business to display a QR poster
- Vaccine mandates will no longer apply at school

In regards to these changes, we will continue with our current COVID framework plan (Red traffic light) and re-evaluate any rule changes for term 2. Below is a link to the Red traffic light settings for schools.

<https://temahau.govt.nz/covid-19/advice-schools-and-kura/covid-19-protection-framework-school-and-kura/schools-and-kura-red#events-and-activities>

Maungatapu waka race

You may have heard that some children are designing a 'waka' to race in our school pool on Thursday 14th April. This is our last day of the term. We wish to invite whānau in to watch their children race their waka (if they are entering one). This is a house competition and will be done in year groups. A timetable will be forthcoming via Facebook and Seesaw.



House points

Points include environment, pōtae, weekly Te Reo challenges, weekly wero and value cards.

Red House	130
Blue House	65
Yellow House	75
Green house	140

ATTENDANCE WEEK 7

Monday 21st March	85%
Tuesday 22nd March	90%
Wednesday 23rd March	87%
Thursday 24th March	88%
Friday 25th March	87%

Highest attendance cohort Yr 6 at 91%

Lowest attendance cohort Yr 1 at 85%

Please continue to contact the school office if your child is away (07) 5440 858.

This helps us code the attendance accurately and make informed decisions with staffing classrooms.

High needs review survey

In October 2021, Minister Jan Tinetti announced a review of the services provided to learners with the highest learning needs.

The Review's online portal is now live. (<https://conversation.education.govt.nz/.../highest-needs.../>) and will remain open until 31 March 2022.

The purpose of the review is to ensure that these children and young people, their families and whānau, receive the right learning support they need, when they need it, and for as long as they need it.

The education journey of children and young people, from early learning to leaving secondary school, falls within the scope of the Review.

We want as many people as possible to know about the Highest Needs Review so they can engage and share their opinions on how we can improve and change the services provided to children and young people, within scope of the review.

Out of zone enrolments

The deadline for the receipt of applications for an out of zone enrolment are as follows:

Term 3: Thursday 2 June 2022, with ballot if needed Friday 3 June 2022

Term 4: Thursday 25 August 2022, with ballot if needed Friday 26 August 2022

Parents of students turning five, who live within the home zone and intend enrolling their child at any time during 2022, should notify the appropriate school as soon as possible to assist the school to plan appropriately for 2022.

Student house leaders 2022

Firstly, I would like to thank the teacher house leaders for organising the student house leadership nominations and speech presentations. The effort in ensuring all children receive the necessary communication, whether in isolation or at school, is appreciated by us all.

The students all submitted a speech and last Friday students had the chance to listen and vote.

The 2022 student house leaders are as follows:

Red house (Whero)

Boy leader - Jackson Hodder

Girl leader - Olivia Kaleopa

Deputy boy leader - Akarsh Sharma

Deputy girl leader - Emily Allsop

Blue house (Kikorangi)

Boy leader - Elijah Kelemete

Girl leader - Ashlee Thornborough

Deputy boy leader - Te Rangiahua Tawa

Deputy girl leader - Libby Kopae Brown

Yellow house (Kowhai)

Boy leader - Frankie Te Kani

Girl leader - Mia Paki

Deputy boy leader - Terence Daniel

Deputy girl leader - Havanah Thomson

Green (Kākāriki)

Boy leader - Holden Breidinger

Girl leader - Marlo Rininui

Deputy boy leader - Manurangi Gwerder-Hall

Deputy girl leader - Zoe Omundsen

Upcoming events

Thursday 7th April

Biosecurity Mauao Trip - Year 5/6 STEAM extension children

Monday 11th April

Ōpūpū (Rotary Park) trip Rooms 6,7,8

Tuesday 12th April

Mauao EOTC trip seniors

Tuesday 12th April

Ōpūpū (Rotary Park) trip Rooms 11,12,23 and 9

Thursday 14th April

House competition - waka race

Thursday 14th April

Last day term 1

Kia kaha kia māia - Be courageous

Kia tika kia pono - Be honest

Manaakitia te tangata, tiakina te tāiao - Be respectful