



TE KURA O MAUNGATAPU MAUNGATAPU SCHOOL

School newsletter - Week 10 Term 3 2023

School roll - 585

Kia ora koutou katoa

Welcome to week 10 of term 3, the final week of the term.

As this is the last newsletter of the term, I want to commend and thank all our whānau and key stakeholders who continue to support Maungatapu School. The strength and success of our school is a reflection of the manaakitanga, consideration and care we have within our school community.

Maungatapu School - 2024 and beyond community survey

School boards must now consult with their communities when developing their school strategic plans. This is to allow all stakeholders an opportunity to be involved in the school planning process. Since 2019, we have consulted with our parent community by sending out a google survey to help with the strategic planning process for the year (s) ahead. Your voice is invaluable to us. We would appreciate 5 minutes of your time to complete this survey doc. The responses will be collated and shared with the Board of Trustees at our next BOT meeting in October, 2023.

Link to survey is below:

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSchWcp4CyJThPuzdqu4w10U5iLt2dFJN0SbjjMWm5oK7ovpz)

[1FAIpQLSchWcp4CyJThPuzdqu4w10U5iLt2dFJN0SbjjMWm5oK7ovpz](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSchWcp4CyJThPuzdqu4w10U5iLt2dFJN0SbjjMWm5oK7ovpz)

EARLY PICK UP CHANGES - TERM 4

With our increased roll, especially in the junior area of our school, we will be starting a new pick up timetable for parents/caregivers of rooms 23, 17, 10 and 4 after school. This will be effective as of term 4 and will involve all the children and their siblings of these rooms. The new pick up time will be at 2.45pm. Children will be waiting at the front of the school with their classroom teachers for whānau to collect them. This excludes children who catch a bus after school.

The health and safety of all children is our priority.

CAR PARK DROP OFF AND PICK UP

A reminder that the drop of zone at the front of the school is not for parking or sitting in cars waiting from 2pm till 3pm. To keep all children safe, we need parents to follow our traffic management systems. Could parents also ask children to cross the road using the designated school pedestrian crossing.

Kia haumarū, kia ū ki ngā tikanga o te huarahi.
Stay safe and stick to the road rules

Community news

Voting for the upcoming elections will take place at our school on Saturday 14 October.

We will be utilising our library to set up the voting and polling booths.



School Bike Track

We have secured some sponsorship funding from *Bike on NZ* and the *TCC* to construct a cycle track at school. We are now consulting with our neighbouring properties before we move to the next phase which is to finalise the planning for the works to commence.

Bike track design below:

If you have any questions about the bike track, please email owen@maungatapu.school.nz



House points update

Red House 665

Blue House 655

Yellow House 680

Green house 730

ATTENDANCE FOR TERM 3 2023

87%

Top attendance classes term 3

Rooms 23,13 and room 1 @ 90%

School docs policy website

Maungatapu school works on a subscription basis with SchoolDocs to maintain, update, and review our policies. SchoolDocs provides us with a comprehensive core set of policies, which have been well researched and follow the Ministry of Education National Administration Guidelines. The policies and procedures are tailored to our school and where necessary, SchoolDocs updates, modifies, or creates policies in response to changes in legislation or Ministry guidelines. Our board has the opportunity to view changes/additions and comment on them before they are implemented.



We invite you to visit the site by following these steps

1. Go to schooldocs.co.nz
2. Click **Search for your school**.
3. Start typing the school's name and select it from the dropdown list.
4. Enter the username: maungatapu and password: tui

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Wearable arts - Te Pūwhāriki

There are many different ways to celebrate Māori language. At Maungatapu School, we all practice, encourage and use Te Reo Māori every single day. The Te Pūwhāriki students had been working hard on putting together an outfit for their wearable, recyclable arts show. Ka mau te wehe o ngā kakahu nei!



The next MASH meeting is on Monday 16th October.

Teacher Only Day(s)

We now have two teacher only days scheduled for term 4. The first day was planned at the end of last year and falls on Friday 20 October, which is the Friday before labour weekend.

The second day has been provided by the Ministry of Education. Maungatapu School will hold this Teacher Only Day on Friday 24th November. The focus of the day will be to unpack the new refreshed NZ curriculum. *Please note we will not be holding a teacher only day on Monday 18 September like some other schools in Tauranga.*

PC4L hui = Positive Culture for Learning

We have a special prize giving zoom scheduled for Friday 22 September at 1.45pm. As a parent, you can join the zoom meeting at <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/89298050984?pwd=YaaKTFTxulTaD3d3y47v78LnTbtmya.1>

This zoom hui is a live draw using our school value cards with many exciting prizes up for grabs.

Upcoming events

- Every Wednesday 1.30pm Transition visits in Room 23; For children who are about to start school.
- Every Wednesday Music classes in the hall
- Tuesday 19 September Expressive reading competition for year 3/4
- Friday 22 September Last day of term 3
- Monday 9 October First Day of term 4
- Saturday 14 October Election voting day (School Library)
- Wednesday 18 October BOT Meeting

Kia kaha kia māia - Be courageous Kia tika kia pono - Be honest

Manaakitia te tangata, tiakina te tāiao - Be respectful