

## Welcome

A warm welcome to all Mahora families for 2022. It has been a fantastic start to the school year this week and all classes are underway. We will start to introduce our new children to our community over the next few weeks.

This week we introduce Hugo Foskett, Kalea Fannin-Robin, Takiri Lanauze, Arabella Hutchison, Valley Primmer and Lucas Sharplin. We hope you all have enjoyed your start at Mahora School.



## Staffing updates

It's exciting to introduce and welcome our new staff for 2022. We are lucky to have such fabulous staff join our team and we look forward to the contributions they will all make. Photos in the order below.

- Louise Strickland has joined our Whanake Team (Seniors) and is teaching in Room 16 alongside Corey Greig with Year 5 & 6.
- Judy West has joined our Māhuri Team (Middles) and is teaching in Room 9 alongside Maddie Boaler with Year 3 & 4.
- Tamla Smith has returned to Mahora School (Tam was our Deputy Principal before Tessa Beaver). Tam is our new LSC (Learning Support Coordinator) who will support learning and whānau across the school.
- We also welcome back Kim King who has returned from maternity leave. Kim is teaching in Room 19 alongside Penny McKinley with Year 1 & 2.

Matt Spring who started with us last year to cover Tessa's maternity leave, has resigned from his Deputy Principal position. Matt is taking a break from education and is looking at other career opportunities. We thank Matt and wish him well for his future. Tam will be picking up some leadership responsibilities as part of her new role given her experience to cover this vacancy.



**Nau mai haere mai, Talofa Lava, welcome to everyone!**

## 2022 School Organisation

Below is a full staff list for the start of the year. In addition, there is information about who to see for any queries you may have. It's really important you check in with the right person, but at all times, please don't hesitate to ask for assistance. All email contacts are listed on the school website.

### Kākano Team – (Juniors)

Room 1	NE	Lisa Birrell
Room 3	Year 1/2	Nell Harbers
Room 4	Year 1/2	Robyn Perry
Room 19	Year 1/2	Penny McKinley & Kim King
Teacher Aides		Charlotta Ayto, Megan Costello & Jill Reiter
Release Teachers		Ange Walker & Jo Makinson

### Māhuri Team – (Middles)

Room 7 & 8	Year 3/4	Kate McKenzie & Racheal London
Room 9 & 10	Year 3/4	Maddie Boaler & Judy West
Room 11	Year 3/4	Denise Haronga
Teacher Aides		Jo Donnelly, Mel Manson
Release Teachers		Nicky Dawson & Courtney Simons

### Whanake Team – (Seniors)

Room 5 & 6	Year 5/6	Darren Robinson & Anna Harvey
Room 12	Year 5/6	Ben Stoyanoff
Room 13	Year 5/6	Tanya Greig & Aleece Jones
Room 16/17	Year 5/6	Corey Greig & Louise Strickland
Teacher Aides		Tash Filipo & Wendy Reisima
Release Teachers		Aleece Jones & Pip Renton,
Sports & Music Coordinator		Denise Pearse
Teacher Aide - Te Reo Māori		Raven Cuthbertson-King
EIT Candidate Teachers for 2022		Debbie Burgess, Melissa Dodunski, Harry Fleming-West and Tori Iosefo

Principal	Rohan Pearse
Learning Support Coordinator	Tamla Smith
Assistant Principal	Tanya Greig
Kākano Team Leader	Penny McKinley
Māhuri Team Leader	Kate McKenzie
Whanake Team Leader	Tanya Greig
Office Manager	Kirsten Weir
Office Administrator	Chanelle Deslandes
Caretaker	Martyn Curran
Social Worker in Schools	To be appointed
Public Health Nurse	Vaevae Tuahine
RTLBI liaison	Sarah Simpson

## *School App*

The Mahora SchoolApp is one of the main forms of quick communication. It is used for information like upcoming events reminders, emergency information, sports draws, reminders, requests etc. It's really important all parents have the app and tick the relevant groups. You don't have to get all messages if they are not relevant to you. Information around how to access the App is on our Mahora School website under 'Social Media' and then 'Mahora online'. Alternatively we can help here at school.



## Who to ask?

Effective communication channels are really important in a school. Please use the table below for any you may have. At all times we are here to help.

Query Area	First Contact	Second Contact	Third Contact (if needed)
Student Progress	Class Teacher	Team Leader	DP/Principal
Student Behaviour	Class Teacher	Team Leader	DP/Principal
Student Standdown or exclusion	Principal	BOT Chairperson	-
School Curriculum	Class Teacher	Team Leader	DP/Principal
School Organisation	Principal	-	-
Theft or Lost Property	Class Teacher	Team Leader	DP/Principal
Absence and Attendance	School Office	Class Teacher	Deputy Principal
Extra Curricula Activities	Coach or Tutor	Sports & Activities Coordinator	DP/ Principal
A Staff Member	Staff Member	Principal	BOT Chairperson
BOT Policies	Principal	BOT Chairperson	-
Principal	Principal	BOT Chairperson	-

## Other start of year reminders

### Hats and Sunscreen

All children need to wear hats in Term 1 and Term 4. We also encourage children to have sunscreen applied at home and we provide sunscreen in all of our classrooms and children will reapply during the day.

This is really important...we still have a number of children who do not have a school hat. We have a very simple rule around sun safety. **No hat = no play** and these children need to be under the shade sails during breaks. School hats are available to purchase from the school office. They are \$15. All children need to be wearing the black school labelled hat only.

### Stationery

This has all been delivered to the classes. Thank you to whānau who have already paid for this. Could we ask those that haven't been able to pay yet, to do when you can. Small amounts are fine. All outstanding accounts have been emailed to whānau.

## Covid/ CPF update

Firstly, many thanks. The way everyone has followed our new guidelines is really pleasing and very much appreciated by us all. Our tamariki have done a wonderful job adjusting to masks and they are outside regularly under the new timetable, so there is plenty of mask off time.

What's ahead –

1. On Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> February we will be sending home two documents via the eldest child in the family. One is the contact details we hold for you. This will be in a sealed envelope. If you don't want this sent home this way, please ring the office on Tuesday morning. It's CRITICAL this information is correct, so please change any details and return by Friday 11<sup>th</sup> February. The second will be an agreement in the event your child or your child's class is isolating at home. We have devices (ipad or chromebook) ready to be sent home should this be the case. We need the form completed now to allow this to happen. Please complete and return to school by Friday 11<sup>th</sup> February.
2. Next week we will be sending an update (via the app and email) to you all. This will contain how school will operate once we have cases in our school and community. I know I keep saying it...but please make sure you have the app and update us with your current email. These communication tools are critical.

Many thanks to everyone for a fabulous start to our school year. Kia manawarahi tātau, we will get through this together.

**Piki Haere, Rohan**



# Mahora School Sports Newsletter

Term One, 2022



Most of the Term 1 Sports were listed in an App message earlier this week, along with playing days, venue and cost. There is just an Athletics option added today. This newsletter has some additional general sport guidelines plus the forms for you to fill out and return to school. These need to be returned to school by NEXT WEDNESDAY 9<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY please. A number of sports have limited team entries this term due to current number restrictions so please message me if your form is not back in time, if your child is keen to join one of these sports. I can only accept late entries if there is space in a team. All of the sports listed are for both girls and boys.

The School is required to pay the entry fee when teams are registered so payment for each sport is due when your notices are returned. We understand that this is an expensive time of year, so we are happy for families to set up an automatic payment to pay off sport fees. Fees outstanding from 2021 must be paid or an automatic payment set up before your child can participate in a sports team this year.

If you wish to set up an automatic payment, the details are as follows:

Bank Account Name: Mahora School Board of Trustees  
Bank Account Number: 12 3145 0231663 00  
Please use your Childs name and the sports you are paying for, as a reference

Once a commitment has been made to a team, it is expected students will remain in the team for the term. They may also have a practice commitment but these are likely to be in school time.

Some teams will have teacher coaches but to offer the wide variety of sports that we do, we are reliant on our wonderful volunteer parent or other whānau coaches to support some of the teams. To align with Ministry of Education guidelines, all whānau who take on a coaching role or a managing role, sideline with our tamariki will need to be fully vaccinated against COVID 19 and be willing to send a copy through to Kirsten, [kirstenw@mahora.school.nz](mailto:kirstenw@mahora.school.nz) or Rohan, [principal@mahora.school.nz](mailto:principal@mahora.school.nz) I will ensure all equipment, uniforms and draws are organised for every team and that coaches receive support and training for the coaching role if required. Please consider coaching a team this year.

Teams for each of our sports will only be entered if there are enough interested students and coaches available.

Transport Generally it is your responsibility as parents to organise transport to the different sports. However we do have parents and staff that are often happy to assist so please let us know if you are stuck.

## An Important Reminder for our Mahora School App

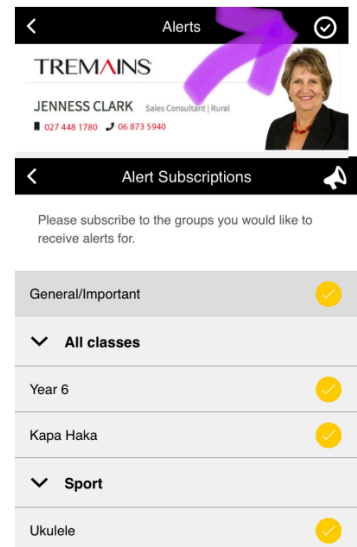
I will be sharing important sporting updates through the app.

Please check that you all have access to the Mahora School App and that you have joined all the sport, cultural and class groups that your child belongs to.

You can do this by clicking on the tick in the right hand corner of the Alerts page and then ensure that you tick all the groups you would like to receive notifications for.

If you have any sporting questions, please flick me a message or give me a call,

Denise Pearse Email: [denisep@mahora.school.nz](mailto:denisep@mahora.school.nz) Cell: 0274789546



### Mahora Sports Shirts

We have a range of sizes available for purchase from the office. Whānau have an opportunity to purchase one for the subsidised cost of \$30. There are also some for sale second hand.

Most of our sports teams will play in the Mahora Sports shirt and we would ideally like everyone to have their own.

We do have some school sports shirts that tamariki can borrow if needed.



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**Mini Ball** I haven't had confirmation of game times for the different year groups yet but will post a message to the Miniball group on the School App as soon as I know. First games are Week 3, Feb 15th (Yr 1&2, 5&6) & 17th (Yr 3 & 4)

Childs Name \_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_ Rm \_\_\_\_ DoB \_\_\_\_\_

My child would prefer to play in: their own sports top      Use a school miniball singlet

Please circle

I am happy to coach/ help my child's team if required

**Fee payment (please circle)**      Paid Online      Payment enclosed      AP already set up

**Year 1 & 2** (skill sessions) - **\$20**      **Year 3 & 4** and **Year 5 & 6** - **\$45**

Parent/Caregiver Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_

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### **Netball Year 1 & 2 and Year 3 & 4**

**No Cost**

First game Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> February

Depending on team numbers, HB Netball may run one round or two. Rounds will be at 3.45pm and 4.35pm.

Childs Name \_\_\_\_\_ Yr: \_\_\_\_ Rm: \_\_\_\_ DoB \_\_\_\_\_

I am happy to coach my child's team if required. There is an excellent hands on coach workshop offered for whānau who are taking on a coaching role

My child has a Mahora Sports Shirt       My child needs to use a School Sports Shirt

Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Cell phone \_\_\_\_\_

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### **Canoe Polo Year 6** (Year 5s are only allowed in teams if we need them to make up numbers)

I haven't received information about the 2022 season as yet. Please fill in and return this form if you and your Year 5 or 6 child are keen to find out more. I plan to get groups started with training in our school pool over the next couple of weeks. We will need as many parents as possible at these trainings to ensure safety for particularly our new players and to help lifting boats in and out of the water.

Childs Name \_\_\_\_\_ Yr: \_\_\_\_ Rm \_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

## Volleyball - Year 5 & 6 - Wednesday afternoon

First game Week 3,  
Wednesday 23rd February

Games between 3.45pm and 5.30pm. Games at Hastings Sports Centre  
Teams will either play one or two games each week.

Childs Name \_\_\_\_\_ Yr Level \_\_\_\_\_ Room \_\_\_\_\_

- I am happy to coach my child's team if required  
 My child has a Mahora Sports Shirt  My child needs to use a School Sports

### Year 5&6 - \$30

Fee payment  
(please circle)

Paid Online

Payment enclosed

AP already set up

Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Cell phone \_\_\_\_\_

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## T Ball

First game Week 3,  
Wednesday 16th February

Various Hastings and Havelock Schools  
Wednesday afternoon 3.15pm - 4.20pm Year 4, 5 and 6

**No Cost**

Childs Name \_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_ Rm \_\_\_\_\_

- I am able to transport my child to each game  
 I am happy to coach/help look after my child's team if required  
 I am able to transport other students to away games  
 My child has a Mahora Sports Shirt  My child needs to use a School Sports Shirt

Parent/Caregiver Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_

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## Touch - Year 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 & 6 Tuesday afternoons at Mitre 10 Sportspark

Childs Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Yr Level \_\_\_\_\_ Rm \_\_\_\_\_

- My child has a Mahora Sports Shirt  My child needs to use a School Sports Shirt  
 I am happy to coach or assist coaching team if required

### Year 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 & 6

I am waiting for confirmation on the price per player but last year was \$15. Please don't pay yet. I will post a message on the Touch group of the app when it is confirmed

Parent/Caregiver Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Cell phone \_\_\_\_\_

**Cricket** Year 1&2 **\$30** to join the 5 sessions this term.

Superstars Cricket stars  
in Week 2,  
Friday 11<sup>th</sup> February

Those Mahora Cricketers that took part at the end of 2021 continue, there is no additional cost but please still fill in the form below so I know who is going to play. The Superstars Cricket Programme is run at Cornwall Cricket Club on a Friday after school.

Childs Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Yr Level \_\_\_\_\_ Rm \_\_\_\_\_

My child played Superstars Cricket in Term 4, 2021 and will continue

My child is keen to play Superstars Cricket this term

**Fee payment (please circle)**    Paid Online    Payment enclosed    AP already set up

Parent/Caregiver Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Cell phone \_\_\_\_\_

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**Cricket** Year 3&4 and 5&6. **\$15** – only for new players

Superstars Cricket stars  
in Week 2,  
Friday 11<sup>th</sup> February

Childs Name \_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_ Room Number \_\_\_\_\_

My child played cricket in Term 4, 2021 and wishes to continue

My child did not play cricket in Term 4, 2021 but would like to join

My child has a Mahora Sports Shirt     My child needs to use a School Sports Shirt

I am happy to coach or assist coaching team if required

**Fee payment (please circle)**    Paid Online    Payment enclosed    AP already set up

Circle preferred playing day (only Year 3 & 4):    Friday afternoon    Saturday morning  
Either

If there are not enough players to make up separate Year 3 & 4 teams on both a Friday afternoon and a Saturday morning, we will go with the majority.

All Year 5 & 6 grade teams play on a Saturday morning.

There is an option to play either soft ball or hard ball cricket in Year 5 & 6.

Please circle if Year 5 or 6    hard ball    soft ball - this will be dependent on numbers

Parent/Caregiver Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_

# Athletics - Year 5 & 6 Thursday afternoons at Mahora School

Athletics starts in Week 3,  
Thursday 17th February

Tierata Taukaban, one of our wonderful Dads has offered to continue the Athletics group for keen Year 5 & 6 tamariki. He has 20 years of incredible coaching experience, coaching and managing teams to an Oceania, Commonwealth and Olympic Games level.

**No cost**

Tierata will work with a group of seniors who are keen to build their skills in both track and field athletic events. This will include sprints, hurdles and throwing events, as well as high jump and long jump. Those that choose to get involved need to commit to being there every week and taking part in all activities.

Childs Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Yr Level \_\_\_\_\_ Rm \_\_\_\_\_

My child has a Mahora Sports Shirt       My child needs to use a School Sports Shirt

I am happy to help support Tierata with taking this group

Parent/Caregiver Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Cell phone \_\_\_\_\_