Newsletter



Week 1 Newsletter – 30th July 2021

Welcome

This week we introduce Oliver Mora. We hope you all have enjoyed your start at Mahora School.



Nau mai haere mai, Talofa Lava, Kamusta, Kia Orana, Sat Sri Akaal, Namaste, Welcome!

Staff update

It's exciting to introduce and welcome new staff for term 3. Mrs Catherine Clarke has started in Room 19 and will teach alongside Racheal. Piki Haere Catherine.

We also welcome and introduce our new SWiS (Social Worker in School) Rebecca Clements. We are incredibly lucky to have a social worker at Mahora and she is here ready to help with a huge range of supports. If there is anything you would like help with, please touch base with Rebecca. She is on site Mon, Tues & Thurs. Piki Haere Rebecca.





Emergency Procedures

All schools have a set of emergency procedures that are regularly reviewed at school to ensure we can keep everyone safe. Today we practiced and discussed what happens in a <u>lockdown</u> situation. The reason for lockdowns are many and varied. It could be directed by the police due to a community situation, it could be a chemical spill, it could be a weather incident, it could be due to an accident. We have recently upgraded the alert system in all learning spaces, so needed to trial this with our classes. It was a successful practice and your children may talk to you about having a lockdown today...it was just a practice!

What should parents do if a school goes into lockdown? We have a set of procedures that we follow. Parents **will be informed** if we are in lockdown in two ways – there will be a post on our school Facebook page and one using our school app. **Please...**

- 1. Do not come to school you will not be let in any doors and it can cause unnecessary congestion. I know it can be a worrying time but please trust us. We will be safe and we will follow guidance.
- 2. Do not try to ring the school or use social media, we need clear phone lines and ringing us only prevents this.
- 3. Wait for further instructions from us. If this happens near the end of school, do not rush down to collect your children as we cannot release children. We will always advise when we are out of lockdown or when it is safe to visit school if collection is needed.
- 4. If you have any questions, please contact Rohan at school.



Piki Haere Hui

Many thanks to everyone who has booked these for next week. They are a very important part of our learning process. If you have not yet booked - please do so urgently as slots are filling up fast. If you cannot find a time that suits, please get in contact with your child's teacher as there may be other times available.

The focus for our Hui next week will be around sharing learning celebrations, areas that need development and having a discussion around your child's achievement and progress. We will be sharing some PaCT graphs for students from Year 2 upwards, and helping you to understand the information that is contained on these. If anything is confusing, please ask! We know this is new, but in time it will be an effective way of sharing achievement and progress.

If you have had a chance to go into your child's Piki Haere Doc and add some celebrations from your point of view (on page 3), that would be great! We will add to these when we meet. All links to the documents have been sent out again, so if you have not received these, please let Chanelle (chanelled@mahora.school.nz) know.

PTA

Check out the progress in the PTA funded area outside Room 1-4...it's starting to look fantastic! Thanks for supporting our PTA fundraisers, it makes projects like these possible. Thanks also to our PTA for their efforts!

Chocolate Fundraiser

Thanks again for the wonderful efforts in selling chocolates this year! We are still following up on the final **six outstanding boxes**. These families will be contacted regarding payment.



Piki Haere Ngā mihi, the Mahora Team

Term 3 – Week 1	Term 3 – Week 2	Term 3 – Week 3
Friday 30 th – PTA Cake and Shake Day	Mon 2 nd Aug – Piki Haere Hui	Mon 9 th – PTA Meeting (7pm)
Sat 31st – Canoe Polo HB Champs	Mon 2 nd – SPCA fundraiser cupcakes	Wed 11 th – Yr 5 Girls Self Defence
	Tues 3 rd – Piki Haere Hui	Fri 13 th – PTA School Disco
	Tues 3 rd – Yr 4 Girls Self Defence	
	Wed 4 th – Piki Haere Hui	
	Wed 4 th – Yr 4 Girls Self Defence	
	Thurs 5 th – Pasifika Showcase Performance	
	Fri 6 th – Assembly (Rm 13 presenting)	
Term 3 – Week 4	Term 3 – Week 5	Term 3 – Week 6
Tues 17 th – Yr 6 visits to Heretaunga	Tues 24 th – Heretaunga Intermediate Open	Mon 30 th – PTA Spring Raffle starts
Intermediate	Evening (6:00pm – 7:30pm)	Thurs 2 nd Sept – School Cross Country
Wed 18 th – Yr 6 visits to Hastings Intermediate	Thurs 26 th – Mufti Day – Daffodil Day	
Fri 20 th – PTA Cake and Shake Day	Fri 27th – STAFF ONLY DAY – NO SCHOOL	
Fri 20 th – Assembly (Rm 4 presenting)		
Term 3 – Week 7	Term 3 – Week 8	Term 3 – Week 9
Mon 6 th – Junior Gymnastics Festival	Tues 14 th – Senior Gymnastics Festival	Mon 20 th – Yr 1 – 4 Sports Photos
Tues 7 th – Junior Gymnastics Festival	Wed 15 th – Interschool Cross Country	Tues 21 st – Yr 5 – 6 Sports Photos
	Fri 17 th – Mufti Day	Wed 22 nd – Board Meeting
	Fri 17 th – Assembly (Rm 19 presenting)	Fri 24 th – PTA School Disco