Newsletter



Week 2 Newsletter – 29th October 2021

Welcome

This week we introduce Raine Jennings, Holly Galecki, Ahleejos Hohipa and we welcome back Pirihera Graham. We hope you have enjoyed your start at Mahora School.









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

We finally managed to get Mrs. Beaver to put her feet up!! Each team was able to farewell Tessa separately during the first week back. Tessa is officially on leave now and we wish her well with the birth of her baby, we will let you know!

We welcome Mr. Matt Spring as our new Deputy Principal who started this term. Matt is an experienced leader and has recently returned to Hawke's Bay which is real bonus for us here at Mahora. Matt is enjoying his start and has made some great connections with our tamariki. It's a bit hard for whānau to connect with him due to current levels, but hopefully sometime in the near future.



Covid 19 Update

Thank you for the ongoing support you are giving our school around the current guidelines we have in place. In New Zealand, the shifting sand of managing this pandemic is taking its toll. The 'rules' change frequently, unpredictably and quickly. Good people (that's you) really help us by supporting our school and following the guidelines, so thanks!

There are always a number of events during Term 4, and a large number are off site. We are looking at each of these carefully and ensuring the guidelines are being followed. We have also raised this with our Kāhui Ako (Community of Learning - all our schools on the west side of town) to try and get some consistency for you the whanau, who have children across many school sites (e.g. Intermediate and High School). This information will be shared with Board of Trustees soon and we will keep you in the loop, as I know there are questions about activities like athletics offsite, parent interviews, prize-giving...to name a few. The bottom line is, we will always do our best to keep tamariki and whānau safe as best we can. In the meantime if you need to be on site for an appointment, please ensure you are wearing mask to enter, sanitise, use the covid app, and then also sign in through the school office. More to come soon about events ahead.

Staff Vaccinations – The Board of Trustees has been advised of the mandate from the Government. This will also impact any other adults on site at school. Final details and guidelines about this were sent to me yesterday evening, so I am processing these and will let you know the implications for parents/ adults if you are supporting school activities going forward. If you have any questions in the interim, please don't hesitate to contact me (Rohan) directly at school.

It's really important that the school office are advised if you change an address, phone number, email address or contacts. I can't stress that enough...we need up to date information. It's also really important you have the school app to be able to receive regular messages and updates. If you are unsure about any of this please contact Kirsten or Chanelle in the school office via 06 878 2622 or chanelled@mahora.school.nz

Hats

Just a reminder that all children need a hat in Term 4. These can be purchased from the school office and are \$15.00. Feel free to ring and order and then send the money to school and the office team will get the right sized hat to your child. All our tamariki need to run around at break times, so please make sure this can happen.

PTA Juicies

Each Thursday in Term 4 the PTA will be selling juicies for \$1 at lunchtime. Your child(ren) can bring their S1 if they would like to purchase one and support the PTA.

Class organisation 2022

We are currently working on making decisions on our class organisation for 2022, and how the school teams will be made up. Each year we work really hard to ensure students are placed in classes with peers and teachers that are the best fit. As we are sure you can understand, there are many factors and points of view discussed and examined during these class placements, many of which rely on teachers' professional judgements. If you have any specific requests in terms of class placements or other information you would like to share with us in terms of your children as we undertake this process - then please let Matt know, in writing, by the end of Week 4 (Friday 12th November).

This could be via email, matthews@mahora.school.nz or a note sent to school.

Piki Haere Ngā mihi, the Mahora Team

Week 3 – 1 st November	Week 4 – 8 th November	Week 5 – 15 th November
Mon 1 st – Fri 5 th – Pounamu Course (Year 5)	Tues 9 th – Board Meeting 6:30pm	Mon 15 th – PTA Christmas Raffle
Thurs 4 th – PTA Juicie Day	Wed 10 th - Fri 12 th – Senior EOTC	Thurs 18 th – PTA Juicie Day
	Thurs 11 th – PTA Juicie Day	
Week 6 – 22 nd November	Week 7 – 29th November	Week 8 – 6 th December
Mon 22 nd – Year 6 Photo	Tues 30 th Nov - Piki Haere Hui 3.30-6.30pm	Mon 6 th – Board Meeting 6:30pm
Thurs 25 th – PTA Juicie Day	Wed 1st Dec – Piki Haere Hui 9am-2pm and Staff	Wed 8 th – Black Cap Fun Day
	Only day (No School)	Thurs 9 th – PTA Juicie Day
	Thurs 2 nd Dec – PTA Juicie Day	Fri 10 th – PTA Christmas Raffle drawn
	Thurs 2 nd Dec – Piki Haere Hui 3.30-6.30pm	
Week 9 – 13 th December		
Thurs 16 th – LAST DAY OF TERM 4 – 12.00pm		
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