

## *Enrolments*

This is the first time we have no one to introduce, as we have enrolled all our students for the year. If you have children you are enrolling for 2022, please do this before the end of the school year to ensure we know they will be here.

## *End of Year 2021*

We will start sharing some of this information now, but there will be more details in a following newsletter. It will be slightly different to previous years given the Covid 19 situation.

## Lost Property

We have lots of lost property. This year we will display this in a coned off area opposite Room 1. Parents can access this from the footpath as the sliding gate will be open from 2.30pm - 3.15pm, Monday - Wednesday next week. Please maintain appropriate distancing, like you are currently doing on the footpath. Please have a look through, if your child has lost any items of clothing. All unclaimed items will be on sold or donated at the end of the year.

## Accounts

We all have bills...school included! **We need these paid before the end of the year please.** Our financial year runs from 1<sup>st</sup> January to 31<sup>st</sup> December, so really important these are settled. This is particularly important for parents of Y6 students. These have been emailed out to you, so please check your emails.

**Prizegiving** - Our school prizegiving is on **Monday 13<sup>th</sup> December** at 6.00pm. Points to note include:

1. Unfortunately, as previously stated, parents and whānau will not be able to attend this year. We know this is incredibly hard and feel your frustration as well...it's not how we work and you know this. However, we are responsible for keeping everyone safe and we need to do that in 2021.
2. We will be live streaming this event so you will be able to connect. There will be lots and lots of photos taken and shared. More details about the streaming closer to the time.
3. ALL Year 5 and 6 Mahora children need to attend this event please. It is a school activity. While the main focus is on Y6's, our Y5's will be playing a very important part in this year's event, so we need each of them there please.
4. All Year 5's, need to be in school uniform please. Year 6 children wear their smart clothes, as they are our school leavers and will sit separately.
5. The Prizegiving is held in our school hall. Year 5 & 6 children will need to be dropped and collected from the front gates only. A staff member will be there to meet them. There is plenty of parking outside. Children need to be here no later than 5.45pm please.

The last day of Term 4 is **Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> December and school finishes at 12.00pm.**

## *Start of year 2021*

At this stage, we are waiting for the updated education guidelines under the **traffic light system** to know how school will operate from 2022. This information is due soon to schools, so we will share further guidelines once we have processed the information. This may impact some of the information below (e.g. how to purchase stationery) but we will keep you updated, all with the aim of keeping our community safe.

Thanks for supporting and trusting us in this.

## **Start of school year**

Day 1 for the 2022 school year is **Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> February**. It is VERY important every child is here day 1 please.

## **School Donations**

Our Board has remained in the Ministry of Education donation scheme. This means there is no donation asked for in 2022.

## **Stationery**

We are continuing with pre-packed stationery packs in 2022. All stationery for Mahora children must be purchased through our school office. We do not make any profit from the stationery, we simply pass the cost on. Pack costs in 2022 will be:

New Entrants (Junior Team)	- \$30 per child
Year 1 & 2 (Junior Team)	- \$25 per child
Year 3 & 4 (Middle Team)	- \$20 per child
Year 5 & 6 (Senior Team)	- \$15 per child

If you would like to pre-pay 2022 stationery now to save the cost at the start of the year, you can pay into the school bank account using your child's name and 'stationery' as a reference, or if you have a credit on your school account please let Kirsten know by emailing her on [kirstenw@mahora.school.nz](mailto:kirstenw@mahora.school.nz). Your child's name will be recorded and they will be handed their new pack on day 1.

The school office will be open from the following dates. At this stage, we are unsure how this will work and will advise closer to the time, as I know many of you will want to purchase uniform as well.

## **Office hours to start the term - draft only subject to Covid 19 guidelines**

Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup> January	8am-4pm
Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup> January	Closed
Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> January	8am-2pm
Monday 31 <sup>st</sup> January	8am-6pm (is also Whanaungatanga Day)

## **2021 Class Connection/ Whanaungatanga Day – draft only subject to Covid 19 guidelines**

On Monday 31<sup>st</sup> January, all classes will be open from **1.00pm – 6.00pm** for families to call in and visit with your child/children. The purpose of this important time is for any of the following:

- To explore each child's new learning space for 2022.
- To connect with 2022 teachers and staff.
- For parents to ask any questions or share important information about their child.
- To give our children the opportunity to reduce start of year worries and begin to make strong connections.

## **2021 Class Organisation and Placement**

This is currently being finalised and completed. We like to be able to share classes and staff organisation before the end of the year and will advise once this is available.

## ***Piki Haere Reports***

Kaiako and tamariki have been working on Piki Haere content over the last couple of weeks. You will be receiving an email this evening which will have links to your child's Piki Haere Report and their PaCT achievement graphs for Term 4. Please take the time to access the links and discuss the content with your child, if you could then add your content to the document over the next few days, it would be appreciated. As outlined earlier this week, the Piki Haere Hui will need to take place via phone or Zoom this term due to restrictions, please content your child's teacher to make a time for next Tuesday - Thursday afternoons between 3.30pm and 6.00pm.

Please don't hesitate to contact your child's teacher or the office, if you require any further information.

## Building projects

I'm sure you can see from the gate there are more building site fences up. There has been great progress and all going to plan Room 14 and 15 will be relocated next week! I will share some more photos then but here is how it is looking for now, ready for the move...



And soon it will be sitting here alongside Room 16 which will allow for improved flow out to the fields and courts and the classrooms will be refurbished. This has all been part of a long-term site plan for our school. It's great to see ongoing development and progress.

## PTA Raffle

This fabulous raffle is running for two more weeks and will be drawn on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> December, so get your tickets in and support our wonderful PTA.



# Mahora School PTA



**Piki Haere**  
**Ngā mihi, the Mahora Team**

Week 7 – 29 <sup>th</sup> November	Week 8 – 6 <sup>th</sup> December	Week 9 – 13 <sup>th</sup> December
Wed 1 <sup>st</sup> Dec – Staff Only day (No School) TBC Thurs 2 <sup>nd</sup> Dec – PTA Juicie Day	Mon 6 <sup>th</sup> – Board Meeting 6:30pm Wed 8 <sup>th</sup> – Black Cap Fun Day Wed 8 <sup>th</sup> – Middle Team Water day Thurs 9 <sup>th</sup> – PTA Juicie Day Thurs 9 <sup>th</sup> – Senior Team Water morning Thurs 9 <sup>th</sup> – Year 6 Pizza and Pool Party Fri 10 <sup>th</sup> – Junior Summer Fun Celebration Fri 10 <sup>th</sup> – PTA Christmas Raffle drawn	Thurs 16 <sup>th</sup> – <b>LAST DAY OF TERM 4 – 12.00pm FINISH</b>