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Thursday 13th November 2025

Week 6, Term 4 2025

Kia ora koutou,

End-of-Year Focus and Routines

As we approach the end of the year, both school and home schedules become very busy, which can lead to increased tiredness for everyone. It is **vital** that we maintain our consistent daily routines, including school attendance. Teachers are currently conducting important formal assessments, which require dedicated one-on-one time (often during their scheduled CRT - Classroom Release Time) with each student. This allows us to accurately 'catch' and assess every child's current learning level so we can develop comprehensive plans to move their learning forward next year. Your support in ensuring consistent attendance during this period is greatly appreciated

School Pool Update

We are actively working to resolve the remaining issues with the school pool. While the initial leaks in the bottom half appeared fixed, further investigation revealed a problem with the internal piping. We are currently waiting for the pipe replacements to be completed. We are hopeful that this will be remedied very soon and we will be able to open the pool for some part of the term! We will keep you updated.

Athletics Success!

What a fantastic day we had at our recent Athletics event! We are incredibly proud of all our students' effort and sportsmanship. It is now time to acknowledge our **TOP ATHLETES** and their accomplishments:

Poihipi: 3rd in 40m sprint, Riverlee: 1st 40 m sprint, 3rd 60m sprint, Jasmine: 3rd 40m sprint,

Daisy: 3rd 100 m sprint, Alice: 1st Shotput, 1st Discus, 2nd 60 m sprint, 2nd 80 m sprint

Iana: 2nd Discus, Maverick: 1st Discus, 1st High Jump, Jaydn: 2nd 800m, 3rd 100m

Leah: 2nd 100m, 2nd Shotput, 3rd Discus, Sonny: 1st 100m sprint, 1st Shotput, 1st High Jump, 2nd Discus

Congratulations to lana, Maverick, Leah and Sonny for being selected in the Zone 5 Athletics teams to compete at the Whangarei Primary Schools' Athletics Championship event.







Teacher Only Day: A reminder that there is a Teacher Only Day on Friday, November 21, 2025 (the day after the Cultural Festival). Teachers will be working on Mathematics curriculum and professional development. Please make alternative arrangements for your children as the school will be closed on this day.

CAMPS: Camps are closing in. Please keep those notices and payments coming in before camp dates.

STATIONERY: With the year nearly over, **outstanding** Stationery invoices are attached to the newsletter. Please ensure these are paid by Monday 1st December.



RAFFLE TICKETS: We have been given some amazing BBQ rubs and Knives (Chef knife and oyster knife) from Stef the Maori to raise funds for our school trips and camps. There are 2 prizes with a value of \$290 each. Tickets are attached to the newsletter.

Tickets and payment returned by Friday 28th November to be drawn on Monday 1st December.

COMMUNITY NOTICES



LIONS COUNTRY MEAL.

Friday 14 November, from 6.00pm.

Hosted by Mangakahia Lions Club at The Mangakahia Community Sports Complex Have a family night out to support your local community and have a fun time with friends & neighbours. Great meals. / Lolly Scramble for the Kids.Magician & Balloon Artist - Mike Easterbrook.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY: TERM FOUR				
Monday 17 th November	Last TECH day for Years 7 & 8			
Monday 17 th November	Games with Rotary + People Potential 11.15 a.m. Years 0-6 You are welcome to come			
Wednesday 19 th November	Year 7 & 8 Athletics			
Thursday 20 th November	Mangakahia Area School Cultural Festival.			
	Performing at 11 a.m.			
Friday 21 st November	Teacher Only Day - no school for students			
Monday 24 th November	Te Aka Bike Day			
Wednesday 26 th November	Board meeting at 6.30 p.m.			
Thursday 27 th November	Years 5 & 6 Athletics			
Thursday 27 th & Friday 28 th November	Te Weu camp			