

# Mangere Bridge School Newsletter



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## A piece of persuasive writing from Angelo

### Is music more important than sport?

Is music more important than sport? My answer is none of them are because you have a talent and that means everyone has a talent. I have a talent and it is soccer and you might have a different one or even the same. But use them for good. It's also a choice.

By Angelo Halafihi  
Year 3  
Room 6



### REMINDER REMINDER REMINDER

**SCHOOL FINISHES AT 1.00PM ON WEDNESDAY 6TH APRIL & THURSDAY 7TH APRIL FOR WHANAU LEARNING CONFERENCE**

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HELEN ANDERSON  
DANCE ACADEMY  
*Rhythm 'n' Steps*  
NEW DANCE CLASSES STARTING  
WEDNESDAY 4<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2016  
AT MANGERE BRIDGE SCOUT HALL  
TAYLOR ROAD  
**MORNING**  
9-30 FAIRY/PIRATE MAGIC DANCE  
10-00 PRE SCHOOL JAZZ  
**AFTERNOON**  
3-30 PRG2 JAZZ (NZAMD)  
4-15 PRG2 URBAN BEAT (NZAMD)  
5-00 PRG2 BALLET (NZAMD)  
THE TUTOR FOR THE CLASSES WILL BE YOUR LOCAL TEACHER MISS JEHAN JOHNSON  
TO ENROLL YOUR CHILD  
MESSAGE US @  
[RNSTEPS@XTRA.CO.NZ](mailto:RNSTEPS@XTRA.CO.NZ)  
OR PHONE  
HELEN 816-8815

**Family Fun down on the Farm**  
Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> April - 3 - 5pm  
Ambury Farm - meet at the barn  
**A SCAVENGING TREASURE TRAIL**  
SOMETHING FOR **EVERYONE**,  
FAMILIES, TEAMS OF KIDS OR INDIVIDUALS  
DRESS FOR THE WEATHER AND BE READY FOR SOME **EXPLORING**  
Any queries phone 636 6118 or email [fof@friends.co.nz](mailto:fof@friends.co.nz)

**Harcourts Mangere Bridge Food & Wine Festival**  
Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> April 2016, 10.30am-5.00pm  
For further details ...  
[www.mangerebridgevillage.co.nz](http://www.mangerebridgevillage.co.nz)  
FB page: Mangere Bridge Village  
M: 021 776 139  
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FCBESCOLA SOCCER CAMP NEW ZEALAND  
**TEACHING BARÇA VALUES**  
APRIL 18th - 22nd  
APRIL 25th - 29th  
QBE STADIUM ALBANY AUCKLAND, NZ  
REGISTER NOW:  
[FCBARCELONACAMPSANZ.COM](http://FCBARCELONACAMPSANZ.COM)



Just like that, the school holidays is only a few weeks away. If you need us during the school break for a week or two or even on some selected days please let us know.

We have lots of activities organized for this coming school holidays. Your children will have lots of fun and will have a fantastic experience.

We will have trips to Rainbow's End/Kiwi Valley possible movies as well. We also have lots of on-site activities which will keep everyone occupied and entertained.

If you will be applying for some OSCAR/Work and Income subsidy, we will need to apply as early as possible. If you are working (full time or part time and/or studying; on sickness benefit; on CDA) you may qualify for some OSCAR subsidy and pay as low as \$3 a day (conditions apply). We will help you through the process (even submit the forms on your behalf).

For any queries you can ring Hazel and George at 0800 900 754 or 021-278-4462. You can also email us at [mangerebridge@skids.co.nz](mailto:mangerebridge@skids.co.nz) or [george@skids.co.nz](mailto:george@skids.co.nz) We also run a morning programme 7:30am to 8:30am and an after school care programme from 3pm to 6pm Mondays to Fridays. We look forward to hearing from you soon!

*Nau te rourou Naku te rourou ka ora ai te iwi*

*We believe in Learning focused Partnerships with  
Parents and whanau*

Next week on Wednesday and Thursday your child along with teachers will share their learning and set end of year targets. If you haven't already made your booking please do so.

It's a meeting nobody should miss. All students and whanau will get to take home a conference sheet with their next steps support plan. Support materials and resources will also be available to take home.

*The library will be open for family and whanau consultation. We want to hear what you think about your children's learning at our school. Whaea Steph, Ms Bills and Mrs White and others will be in the library so please make sure you visit.*

*Mangere Bridge School Board of Trustees*

*In 2016 our board has a commitment to Excellence and Equity for all students.*

We want to share with you how our students are achieving, answer any questions you may have about this and ask 'How can we improve learning for our students at Mangere Bridge?'

This will take the form of small discussion groups, online surveys, face to face discussions and large group meetings, including special hui for Maori whanau and Fono for our Pasifika families at the beginning of term 2.

This is your school and we want to know how we can do the best for your students so please take the time to get involved.

It's just over a month away when we will call for nominations for the Board of Trustees.

Do you think you could share your skills to be a trustee?

Being a trustee is an important role that needs people with a range of skills and experiences, who believe in making a positive difference to our children's learning.

**Important Information**

Children are welcome to arrive at school from 8.15am onwards. Teachers will open their classrooms from 8.30am every day. School starts at 8.50am please be on time and ready for great learning!  
*Please do not send your children too early as staff are not available to watch them*

**School finishes at 3.00pm. It is important that children are at school until this time, unless they are being collected for appointments or emergencies. If you need to pick your child up early, you have to fill in a sign out form at the office with reason for early pickup.**

**COMING EVENTS**

Wednesday 6 April	Whanau Learning Conference 1.30- 6.00
Thursday 7 April	Whanau Learning Conference 1.30 - 5.45
Wednesday 6 & 7 April	School finishes at 1.00pm
Tuesday 12 April	Swimming Zones from 9.00am - 2.30pm
Wednesday 13 April	Assembly hosted by Room 6 / Hibiscus
Thursday 14 April	Newsletter
Friday 15 April	Term 2 Finishes

***A special welcome to the newest members of our school:  
Damelia Lautua-Phillips and Visone Vea to Room 2***

**WHANAU CONFERENCES (previously Parent Interviews)**

Whanau Learning Conferences will be held on **Wednesday 6th April and Thursday 7th April. School will finish at 1.00pm on both these days.**

You can book your interview time on the school interview website. Online bookings are available at [www.schoolinterviews.co.nz](http://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz). Interviews are 15 minutes long. **Enter the school event code - 45mp2 and GO.** **Cut-off date** for making interviews online is Thursday 7th April at 12.00pm. Please note that if the teacher does not show on screen, then they are fully booked. You will need to contact your child's teacher to arrange another time.

**\* For those of you that do not have a computer, a form to make an appointment was sent home with the children. Please fill in the form and return to the school office.**

The Peace Poppy Project

As part of our commemorations for Anzac Day 2015, Mangere Bridge School participated in the Peace Poppy Project. Groups throughout Auckland created poppies that were installed as part of exhibitions throughout Auckland. As part of the 2016 Anzac Day commemorations a photographic exhibition is being held sharing photos of these installations. Please view the flyer alongside for more details.

