MANGERE BRIDGE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER 16 SEPTEMBER 2019

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IMPORTANT DATES FOR TERM 2

Friday	20 Sep		Y6 White Water Rafting
Monday	23 - 27 Sep		Chinese Language Week
Monday	23 Sep		Newsletter
Thursday	26 Sep		MBS Fun run
Friday	27 Sep	2.00pm - 3.00pm	Assembly hosted by Room 13
Friday	27 Sep		Last day of Term 3
Monday	14 Oct		First day of Term 4

STUDENT INQUIRY RANGATIRATANGA



Nothing Great is Easily Won "Ko te angituu, he mahi whakapau kaha." How can I be the best that I can be?











Resilience, Rangitiratanga, competition, sportsmanship, perseverance, endurance, losing and winning with dignity, Kotahitanga, fair play, growth mindset, goal setting, facing the unknown, meeting challenges...

These are the words that frame our Student Inquiry for this term and moving into next term. Our amazing children rose to the challenge of the rock wall and many surprised themselves with how well they did!!!



Our trip to Ihumaatao continued our learning about this significant place in our community. We were welcomed to the whenua and heard the stories of the land. Te Hiaroa have been excited to welcome Matua Haki back to class and Matua Haki is loving being back with the tamariki.

LANGUAGE WEEKS



Fakakoloa 'o Aotearoa 'aki 'a e Tauhi Fonua - A Tongan Perspective of Enriching Aotearoa, New Zealand was the theme for Tongan language week and we say malo 'aupito to our Tongan whanau who enriched our knowledge and understanding of the Tongan language and culture - the fashion parade was a proud moment for our whanau!!





Kia Kaha te reo Māori has been our language focus for this week and we started the week making wristwatches with Kiiwaha (positive affirmations). Our wristwatches taught us how to say

- You're awesome Koia kei a koe
- Magnificent Tau kee
- Well done Tino kino te pai
- Give it heaps Karawhiua
- Amazing Ka mau te wehi

RUGBY ZONES

We sent three teams to participate in the Rugby Zones on Thursday 8th September; a boys open team, an under 50 kg team and a girls open team. The tamariki gave it their all and played hard and fair. We were very proud of the sportsmanship they showed and the way they each displayed our school values. The open boys came up against some bigger opponents but that didn't sway them, they got in there and gave it their best. Some of the girls joined and played with this team also - our girls were amazing! The under 50's only had 9 players but still did all they could and there were some awesome tries scored. The girls played hard, tackled harder and made it to a nail biting final that went into overtime where they continued to play with heart and grit. Considering none of the teams had subs, they all persisted and sustained their drive and energy. Each of our tamariki should be very proud of the perseverance and determination that they showed.







SOMETHING NEW IS HAPPENING

Our amazing PTA are setting up this new initiative, lets get in and support them!!

Ecostore and Mangere Bridge School

We're teaming up with ecostore's Plastic Return Programme to help address the plastic problem. The waste system in New Zealand is overwhelmed and so much of our recycling is being sent overseas, ending up in landfill or even in the oceans. Let's keep it in New Zealand and reuse it! Our school is being

part of the solution by teaming up with ecostore with its Plastic Returns Programme.

How you can help: bring in your empty ecostore bottles, pop them in the ecostore bottle drop bin in the hallway just behind the school office, and ecostore will collect, wash and remake them into new bottles. Collect enough bottles and our school could receive money to spend on sustainability initiatives.



Together we'll reduce waste and help plastic bottles to be remade over and over again right here in New Zealand and help solve the plastic pollution problem.

HE HA - High Engagement, High Attendance!

End of Week 8 Our average is 88.55 %

Lateness is 7.20%



Lateness has been a problem over the term so far. We know the weather is tricky and cold mornings can be difficult however Spring has come and we are heading towards summer! Being on time for learning means that each child has the tools needed to have a successful day. Starting the day confused makes learning hard. Being on time matters!!

"8.30 in the gate and you will never be late!"

We will be sending attendance letters to all our families before the end of term as it is always good to have the big picture for your child's attendance. We respect that many things can impact on our tamariki coming to school and we are here to talk to you or help you as best we can to ensure that they are here for the magic that is learning!

If your child is absent we really appreciate it when you contact the office to let us know.

HEALTH RELATED

Chicken pox

This notice is to inform you that we continue to have a few students who have contracted chicken pox. Chicken pox is a very contagious virus. It is spread through the air by infected people when they sneeze or cough, and by touching the chickenpox blisters and then touching objects or other people.

Chickenpox is contagious from five days before the blisters appear. It stays contagious until all the blisters have crusted over and no new ones are appearing. During this time, we ask you to keep your child home from school.

Measles

Measles in Auckland schools

The only way to protect your family is to make sure they are vaccinated or immune.

Please see your doctor now to catch up on missed vaccinations. They are FREE at your GP.

If your children are vaccinated, they won't need to stay at home if there is measles at your school.

Keep your child at home if they are sick and watch out for symptoms:

Cough Runny nose Sore red eyes











Auckland Regional Public Health Service

If you or your children show symptoms please stay at home and call your doctor or Healthline (0800 611 116) for advice.

Measles info at: arphs.health.nz/measles





Our Mana Kidz Programme is a free school-based health service based at Mangere Bridge School on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9.30am to 12.30pm. Kate Pike (Registered Nurse) provides the following service:

- Checking sore throats
- Checking Skin infections
- Health promotion
- Hearing and vision
- Immunisations
- Head lice
- Healthy eating education
- Support referring to community and social services

For further information or should you want your child to be assessed by Nurse Kate, please advise the school office. Nurse Kate is available via phone Monday to Friday from 8.30am to 5pm.



AWHI is a free service which aims to support whanau to have a warm, dry, healthy home. One of the team will visit the whanau in their home to identify any changes that could be done to make a warm, dry, healthy home. They are able to provide support and work alongside whanau until the process is complete. AWHI may be able to assist with:

- · Insulation
- Ventilation
- Curtains
- Heating
- Bed and Bedding
- · WINZ entitlements
- Emergency grants
- Budgeting services
- Smoke alarms
- · Practical advice to keep your home warm and dry
- Minor repairs such as window latches, draught stopping, mould repairs...

For enquiries regarding AWHI, feel free to contact the team at Turuki on 09 275 5788 or awhi@thc.org.nz



SCHOOL FUN RUN



Dear Parent/Guardian.

As a way to give back to our community we will be holding the School Fun-Run on *Thursday 26 September 2019 at Mangere Bridge School*. The funds raised will go towards the development of our new school playground.

About the Program

The School Fun-Run promotes healthy and active lifestyles while helping us raise funds! It's all about participation, with students treated to a great day as a reward for their fundraising efforts. Family support is key to our fundraising success and we encourage everyone to get involved.

How Does My Child Fundraise?

Firstly, go to www.schoolfundraising.co.nz and create a student profile page. Everything to do with your fundraising revolves around this page. Once you have completed this, read through your Sponsorship Form, which has instructions on how to raise money and order prizes.

Students who raise just \$10 will receive a reward for their effort. The more they raise, the better their reward – don't forget to check these out in the sponsorship form! We have educated students on the dangers of door knocking without adult supervision, and we encourage you to reiterate this at home. The best people to ask for sponsorship are people you know (e.g. friends, family, work colleagues and neighbours).

Online Fundraising

The easiest way to help your child raise money is through online fundraising, where students raise an average of \$120. On top of raising more money, it's also safer and easier than doorknocking and you don't have to worry about handling money! To start fundraising online, go to your student profile page at www.schoolfundraising.co.nz and share your online fundraising link.

Getting Involved

Not only can you support the school and students with your sponsorship – but you can join in on the fun! We would love to welcome parents and family members to attend the School Fun-Run. If you would also like to volunteer to help on the day, please contact me on the details below. I can't wait to see you at our event!

Ordering Prizes – ALL PRIZES MUST BE ORDERED ONLINE. If you are unable to order online, please see Ms White who can assist you.

Prizes MUST be ordered between **Friday 18 October** and **Friday 25 October**. Simply visit www.schoolfundraising.co.nz to create / log into your Profile Page between these dates. Then click on the 'CLAIM YOUR PRIZE' button and follow the prompts. If you have any questions, please contact the School Fun-Run team on 0800 377 170 and they will gladly assist!

Thank you, good luck and happy fundraising!

PTA NEWS

Kia Ora from the MBS PTA.

WANTED

The PTA are looking for donations of soft toys and books for a stall at the Pohutukawa festival. If you have some you no longer want (in good condition) please place them in the donation box at the school office. We would love to rehome them. We are also looking for gazebos. If you can lend us one for the festival, please let us know.

MOVIE NIGHT POSTPONEMENT:

A big apology from the PTA for needing to postpone the last movie night. However we still have money that we need to return. If you would like a refund, please contact jasmine on <u>jasmineh@mangerebridge.school.nz</u> **A HUGE THANKS TO THOSE WHO DONATED THE THEIR MONEY TO OUR CAUSE.**

POHUTUKAWA FESTIVAL:

Save the date! Saturday 2nd November 2019.

VOLUNTEERS FOR POHUTUKAWA FESTIVAL:

On Saturday 2nd November we will need helpers of all kinds. We are looking to get approximately 50 volunteers, ranging from Set up and Pack Down (7am-9am and 2:15pm-3:30pm-Need lots of strong people for this please-So Dads, Uncles, Granddads, Teenagers, Strong Ladies-PLEASE CONSIDER HELPING AT THIS TIME), A day shift (8:45am-2:15pm), a full day (7am-3:30pm approx.) or even just a half day (8:45am-11:30am or 11:15pm-2:15pm). We need you-Pretty please!!

We need all kinds of helpers-Senior Students, Teenagers, Men, Women, Grandparents, Extended Whanau. If you are handy in the kitchen, a whiz on the BBQ, good at putting up gazebos, moving heavy items, great with numbers, have the gift of the gab, can do cool braids or other hairstyles, a passion for running games with kids etc. then we would LOVE you on the team.

Please make contact with Whaea Jas at jasmineh@mangerebridge.school.nz to let her know your availability for Pohutukawa Festival so she can start filling out her roster.

We love and appreciate all of our volunteers!



COMMUNITY NOTICES



Week 9 already! 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 Auckland Zoo; the movies; the museum and back due to popular demand the Winter Carnival. 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 or Gloria at 0800 900 754 or 022-060-7717. You can also email us at mangerebridge@skids.co.nz or gloria@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!



