

WEEK 5, TERM 4 -10 NOVEMBER 2023

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Tēnā koutou e te whānau

What a cool community we live in. Some of you will have already driven into and parked in the railroad side carpark since last Friday and notice a remarkable difference. A huge thank you goes out to Greg Hooper from us all for his time on the tools last Friday recontouring (getting rid of the potholes) and gravelling the carpark. It makes such a difference. We love that when our school has a challenge our community is so readily happy to jump in and help out. Thanks Greg!

If you were out and about on Monday night you might have also noticed the fire trucks at the Campbell Street entrance to the school. Fret Not! This was another exciting community connection and training exercise for the Rarangi Fire Brigade. After some upgrades to the pool, we teamed up with the brigade to empty the pool, give it a good scrubbing and clean up and are currently working on filling it back up again. It's gone from green to good. A big thank you to Steve Banks and Brigade for all the support and to Jason and Kaia Tillman for all the efforts in cleaning the pool and cover. The pool has a few more tweaks and kinks to iron out but we've still got our fingers crossed that we'll be able to get it open before the holidays and potentially offer keys for hire too.

Just another reminder that Monday is a Ministry of Education initiated Teach Only Day. All the staff will be off site undertaking professional development and as such the school will be empty and closed. As mostly parents on staff we understand and empathise with the inconvenience that these days can cause families, thank you for your ongoing

support for the hard work that Kaiako put into supporting our students and families each and every day. We look forward to seeing smiley, happy faces back on Tuesday for the build-up to the Christmas Fair.

Ngā mihi mahana Nic Walker Tumuaki - Principal



Ti Kouka

Year O - 2, Caroline Abbott & Emily Morris
Kia ora Tī Kōuka whānau,

We continue to be busy with our learning in Tī Kōuka. We have been making firework art to go with some descriptive writing that we have been doing about fireworks. On Thursday we had korfball skills, this was lots of fun and it was awesome to see so many children giving it a go and supporting each other. There were many smiles on the tamariki's faces and everyone put their hands up at the end saying that they had enjoyed the session.

A reminder that coming up is a Teacher Only Day on Monday so school will be closed. Also, the Christmas Fair will be held next Saturday, which I am sure there will be some excitement around for that.

There is some sickness and head lice going around at Tua Marina School so just a general reminder to keep an eye on your tamariki's wellbeing and hair.

Ngā mihi, Emily and Caroline





Mānuka

Year 3 - 4, Sarah Kerr







This week felt like being on the Nature Channel. We researched pests and introduced predators with lots of expert help from our resident hunters.

We voted for bird of the century <u>LINK</u> and started

cardboard prints of our favourite native Aotearoa manu. Today (during a veritable storm) we printed leaves for our Jo Ogier inspired nature art. We have had two monarch butterflies emerge today as reported by Monarch Watch and three more about to hatch. Yesterday we made symmetrical lizard patterns and wrote haiku poems based on our observations of Grayson's wild skink. A reminder that students are asked to leave all native animals in their environment so they have the best chance of thriving.

Congratulations George Kerr who was captain of the ship during Kiwi Can today.

Nga mihi Sarah Kerr, Lorraine Regan and <u>Gretchen</u> Harrison.

What do we know already? Whole where have you learned from? What did you learn last time at school?



Rewarewa

Year 5 - 6, Julian Mason

Kia ora e te whānau,

Sadly we had to cancel the Rural Athletics in Blenheim on Tuesday due to the weather. We are going to arrange Athletics at school next Tuesday so the students can put their skills to the test. We are still working out the details but will be in touch ASAP when we have it sorted.

We had our first session on Relationship & Sexuality Education yesterday. We are covering the topics of gender, relationships, puberty, looking after our bodies and keeping safe online.

Yesterday the students just brainstormed all of what they know about these topics. Like any of their learning, please feel free to discuss what they are learning in class in coming weeks as this reinforces the message.

Another fun Kiwi Can lesson today with a focus on accountability (being responsible for your own actions). It is something that we have had as a class expectation all year, but something we still need to work on. Maybe it would be good to set your child a goal for something they have to be accountable for over the weekend to help them with this.

Wow! Another week down. Please remember that it is a Teacher Only Day on Monday. Enjoy the weekend and some good whānau time - Julian

Kowhai

Year 7 - 8, Aaron Harrison

This week in Kowhai, Mr Harrison has had us doing a lot of tests.

On Thursday we had a korfball session with Torsten, he was great and we all had heaps of fun. For most of us, this was our first time playing korfball, but some of us have played before at Stadium 2000.

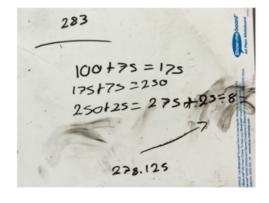
We started a mural this week - it is going up at the library. We have been busy measuring up different panels and getting this prepared.

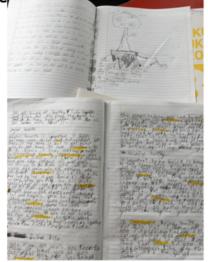
A highlight for a lot of us this week was Daniel making a half-court shot - all basket!
-Kowhai Classroom.

End of year assembly is sneaking up on us, can year 8 parents please send 1x baby photo, 1x current photo, and a "what I wanted to be when I grew up" to Amy in the office.

Please remember to RSVP for our year 8 dinner!







Congratulations to our KiwiCan winners of the week:

Ti Kouka Group 1 - Sophie Martella Ti Kouka Group 2 - Isy Baker Manuka - Archie Barlow Rewarewa - Kate Anderson

Cheese Rolls

There are still a few cheese rolls available for sale. \$15 per dozen. If you are wanting some, please reach out to Amy to organise.

Water Bottles & Sunhats

As we are now in the lovely warm term 4, please ensure that your tamariki are bringing a water bottle to school.

A reminder that the PTA kindly donated a school hat to every tamariki. These are to remain at school - if these are taken home and forgotten, they will be required to play on the deck in the shade for playtimes. Please remind your tamariki of the "red hat stays at school" rule.

Statements

Any whānau with money owing on their accounts will have had a statement come home with their tamariki today. Amy will be reaching out soon to discuss these.





THE KIWI CAN CORNER



This week we're exploring the second of our three main focus modules for the term – and it's all about **accountability!** Accountability is about accepting responsibility for our actions and choices. Accountability is a big part of showing integrity, and in making us great Kiwis

- GRAEME DINGLE
 FOUNDATION

Bus Students

Please remember to sign your children on/off the bus. We do not want any children mistakenly missing the bus due to a miscommunication!

Absence Notifications

Please remember to contact Amy (via Hero, email, or voicemail) to report any absences for your child, It can not be assumed why your child is not at school. A reason for their absence needs to be included please.

House Points

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939	923	949	

A reminder that Monday is a Teacher Only Day - school will not be open.

There will be a wee bundle of notices coming home with your tamariki at the end of Friday:

*Statements for those who have items owing on their statements.

A box to return to school with home baking - from the Christmas Fair Committee.

Keep your eye out next week for a bundle of three green notices - these are for Pine Valley, and must be completed for each child. Please return these to Amy at your earliest convenience.

Have a lovely weekend!

KEGS

7th November Tua Marina KEGs Report

Mānuka class prepared soil and planted peas and bean seeds for summer. Some sunflower seedlings were planted as well as calendula to attract the bees. Some weeding and lots of watering. Garden is looking great kai pai.













Term 4 - What is coming up?

		MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI
Week 6	13 - 17 Nov	Teacher Only Day		Technology Challenge Day		No Assembly this week - Christmas fair on Sunday 19th - 10am!!
Week 7	20 - 24 Nov				Taster Day at MBC for Year 8 Boys	Cuddon Regional Tech Challenge Whanau Time 2:30PM
Week 8	27 Nov - OI Dec		PTA Meeting - 3PM	Additional Tech Day - Seniors		Assembly - Manuka
Week 9	04 Dec - 08 Dec		Pine Valley Camp - Whole School	Pine Valley Camp - Whole School		Whanau Time
Week IO	II Dec - I5 Dec	Year 8 Dinner		End of Year Assembly		





Getting to Know You Korero Letter 2023

Kia ora koutou

A very warm welcome to the Marlborough Girls' College community!

As part of our transition for all students to Year 9 at MGC, we would like to meet with you and XXX to find out about their interests, strengths and learning.

Korereo's will be with one of our staff members for 10 minutes and will be held in the New Library at MGC from Monday 13 November to Thursday 16 November, 3.30 - 5.30pm.

We will also have our Uniform Shop open during these times so you can pre order XXX's uniform. The uniform shop is next to our Library, Entrance 4 at the Bohally end of the school on McLauchlan Street.

To secure a time and date that suits you and your whānau:

- Gotoouronlinebookingsystem:https://marlboroughgirls.schoolpoint.co.nz/
- Onthelefthandside, click 'Getting to Know You Korero'
- EnterthisRegistrationcodeatthetopofthepage: 254306a2
- Enteryourpersonaldetails.
- ClickonRegister.
- Pleasenote, you may not get the staff member you booked with-the rewill be a range of staff available throughout the week (the teachers used were for booking purposes).

If you are unable to book online, please phone the school on 03 520 8448 and speak with Collette, our Receptionist. She will be happy to support you. Alternatively you can talk with your Year 8 teacher, they can also support you in this process.

As you will be aware, we are not testing Year 8 students, but we are gathering assessment and learning information from your child's current school to ensure we can meet their learning needs. If XXX has any piece of work or a learning portfolio they would like to show us, then please do bring it along.

We look forward to meeting with you in a couple of weeks.

Ngā mihi nui

Emily Stenhouse Deputy Principal Meri Crawford Year 9 Dean 2024



PTA / Christmas Fair Meetings

PTA / Christmas Fair

Kia ora e Te Whānau,



Only 9 days until the fair, things are getting really busy, if anyone is able to offer help over the next week, please get in touch with us.

It is time to sign up for helping out at the fair, the expectation is that at least one adult per whānau will help out on the day, if you would like to do something specific sign-up quick, jobs will be allocated on a first in first served basis. Sign-up sheets are in the office or contact us.

We are still accepting donations of Chocolate, Bottles, Grocery Items & Fill a Jar every little bit helps.

Request - For any Eggs & Butter that anyone is able to donate to help go towards extra baking, if you are able to help out with this let us know.

We are now meeting every Tuesday in the library 3.15pm

For any information or if you are able to offer any help or donations please contact

Abbey christmasfair@tuamarina.school.nz or 021 149 4974

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Please share our poster around to everyone you know. If you would like you can print a copy and place in the window of your car.

