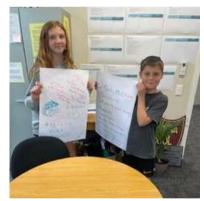


#### **Principals Korero**

Tēnā koutou

Student agency at it's best. This week some of the students identified that when the bell goes it takes a while for them to gete a drink, return their gear, use the toilet etc before they were back in class and ready to learn. After a little bit of investigation they found that it was taking on average 4 minutes each bell time for this process. They found that this across our 92 students equated to around 18 and half hours a day of lost learning and that we should do something about it. There were loads of ideas including shrinking the school and something to do with dog collars but the solution they landed on was to simply ring a bell 5 minutes before the real bell to prompt everyone to be ready to learn. So from next week our bell times will be 8:55 am to start at 9:00, 11:25 end of morning tea to start at 11:30 and 1:40 end of lunch to start at 1:45 pm. Yesterday when this was trialled we had 100% of the students ready to learn when the 'real' bell went. Keep up the great job team, we love this solutions focused approach.





Last week I had the privilege of attending a speech given by Kevin Bigger about his journey from being a couch potato to, two years later, setting a new world record for rowing across the Atlantic and then being the first New Zealander to walk unaided to the south pole. Throughout the speech he linked his adventures back to leading a school, setting tough goals and supporting our people to reach their goals. It was truely inspiring. We have set a range of goals for the school through our strategic and annual plans. It is great to see progress in these throughout this year to date. Tomorrow at our Staff only Day we will be taking time to reflect on the mahi we have collectively achieved and our next steps in our School Improvement Framework. Kevin posed the question "why take on a tough goal?" and answered with "of course winning isn't everything. The best that you can do is the best that you can do. But you can't get the best out of yourself unless you commit to a difficult goal." As a school and as teachers we ask ourselves for our best and that we support the students to do the same. This is just one way in which we are 'working together to grow a healthy and happy community where every

learner succeeds.' Ngā mihi mahana Nic Walker Tumuaki - Principal

## Term 2

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
WEEK 6 03 - 07 JUNE	Kings Birthday - School Closed				Assembly - Manuka
WEEK 7 IO - I4 JUNE		Tech - Kowhai			Disco!
	Fundamentals - Manuka, Rewarewa, Kowhai	Fundamentals - Ti Kōuka, Makomako	Fundamentals - Manuka, Rewarewa, Kowhai	Fundamentals - Manuka, Rewarewa, Kowhai	Fundamentals - Ti Kōuka, Makomako
WEEK 8 17 - 21 JUNE				Cross Country	Assembly - Rewarewa
WEEK 9 24 - 28 JUNE		Tech - Kowhai		Rewarewa - Kārearea Falcon Trust	Matariki
WEEK IO OI - O5 JUL					End of Term 2 Assembly - Kowhai

#### Ti Kōuka Leah Waddington - Year O - I

Maryn was in for Ti Kōuka Tuesday and Wednesday. The children had a great two days with a focus of food and physical health. Maryn is fantastic with the young tamariki, and they love learning new games, being in a different room and having a slightly different structure.

The children have been learning many new sounds with their reading. Some children are learning how to segment individual sounds, and then blend words together. Other children are learning new digraphs such as (th, sh, ch and ck), and others are practising new ways to make long vowel sounds (ay, a\_e, ai, etc.). The students are very proud of their progress and have been counting down the books

until they move up to a new reading level! It is fantastic to see them taking pride in their hard work.

In writing we have been focusing on giving words a try before asking for help, as well as trying to write more than one sentence. Remember that every other Friday Tuamarina will have a sausage sizzle, which is held the same day as assembly. Have a fantastic weekend!



#### Makomako Caroline Abbott - Year 2 - 3

Kia ora Makomako whānau,

Art

Makomako received an email from Roz (our wonderful school librarian) asking for help. Roz thinks that ngā ākonga (learners) in Makomako have some of the best colouring skills at TMS! We are creating Matariki stars for display in the school library. Good colouring takes time, focus and concentration ... and having special pens to use makes it even more exciting!

#### **Reading & Writing**

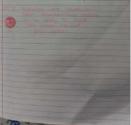
Roz (who also works in Makomako during handwriting and reading time) and I are super impressed with the improvement we are seeing in handwriting and reading. There is real evidence of progress in reading as tamariki are moving through the reading book levels and developing their fluency (flowing reading) and comprehension of what they read. This week in writing we have been retelling the story of 'The Three Little Pigs'. Ngā tamariki have blown me away by how good their story retelling is and how enthusiastic they have been to write. Practising handwriting daily is having a really positive impact on the presentation of their writing work.

AND thank you Nikau for the delicious bliss balls yesterday.

Have a lovely long weekend.



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#### Manuka Sarah Kerr - Year 4

Some weeks we just seem to discover amazing things, and this was one of them.

Did you know we all have emeralds in us? ( and gold) Archie showed us the jaw bones and teeth of a conger eel.

Everyone wrote more independently than they have before!

You can balance a Sprite can on its edge for an indefinite time.

The American Women's 4x100 Relay Team has astonishing skills.

We all have little fireworks in us. We burn carbon which is why we are warm.

We made a plan that saw us go from 8% of people ready to learn at bell time to 100% in one day! Our goal is to save 186 hours learning for the school in the next two weeks.

"You can't control the wind, but you can control your sails."

Happy King's Birthday Weekend. Manuka Class and Whaea Sarah



#### Rewarewa Julian Mason - Year 5 - 6



The first of two shorter weeks. Most of the students opted to take part in the Rippa Rugby Tournament on Wednesday. While it was a bit chilly at Lansdowne Park, the rain stayed away and we were able to enjoy the day and put our skills on display. The two teams that took part did the school proud and I was observing the school values constantly.

Kia ora e te whānau,



Our cross country training is well under way. We have been joined by Mānuka Class which seems to have added a competitive edge to things. The effort and determination of ALL the students for the Star Run was amazing. This is one way to celebrate our focus around health for Term 2.

We started talking about the healthiest countries in the world and talked about what we can do to stay healthy and what our country (government) does to help us stay healthy. Hopefully they can share some of these ideas at home. I hope you are able to have some quality whānau time over the long weekend.

- Julian

#### Kowhai Aaron Harrison - Year 7 - 8

#### Kia ora et e Whānau,

The kids have been great at continuing practicing for the cross country. They have bravely facing the cold crisp mornings when running with putting complete 100% effort in to do their best.

Yesterday we even started doing the star run around the school, which the kids loved pushing themselves to to as many laps as possible.

The kids have also been working hard with their Evolocity cars and Science fair projects. There has been a lot of testing of burning materials, melting chocolate, and creating prototypes to see how things fit in the cars.

This week we had finished our perfect pitch for our vegetable adverts. I sent the kids to the different classes, to show their adverts and to get feedback as well as to see if they could persuade the other students to eat more vegetables. There was a great response from the other students and they love the adverts that were created.

Please if their are any parents who would love to be involved in our Science projects or helping with Evolocity please send me an email so I can tell you times and days when we will be doing it in class. Have a wonderful long weekend from Mr H

Makomako class carefully planted out more seedlings today. The soil is again very dry so lots of watering as well as leaves collected for mulch to help keep the moisture in. Plants are growing









A day where we learn about the unique history of our area and celebrate our kura and community. If you would like to join us for kapa haka, poi making, a game of ki o-rahi or learn some of the purakau stories of our area please register your interest or come and see us! Nau mai haere mai e te whanau.

<u>Register your interest here</u>

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## Funsticks

TMS Funsticks Hockey Team after their first session on the new hockey turf at Punawai Stadium.

Mabel, Ella, Gus, Tuiti, Finnian and Lillian have been training hard on Monday nights with the skill sessions held by Marlborough Hockey. The two different age groups of Year I and 2 are split up into teams (white t-shirts and Green T-shirts) and go through a several skills based games before finishing with a proper game



An exhibition from the New Zealand Rugby Museum

the first flickers of interest in 1888 to the World Cup victories of the Black Ferns.

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