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Messages from our Principal and Board of Trustees

Kia ora katoa whanau.

Very quickly, we are moving towards the end of our 2017 school year - so much left to do and so little time. Our tamariki are still being given opportunities to participate in events outside of school so that they can showcase their skills and talents. Our Kapa Haka Hip Hop Fusion group performed at Manaia View School on Friday and our Ripa Teams competed up at the Tikipunga Sports Field on Tuesday. Well done to our Road Patrollers who were given a well-deserved reward for their service to the community with a day at the pools. Please continue to keep an eye on up-coming dates and keep checking school bags for notices, as there is still a lot going on.

Nga mihi,

Ali and David

Important Dates:

Weeks 5/6/7/8 - Swim for Life sessions

24 Nov - Whangarei Intermediate Induction Day

4 Dec - 2018 Road Patrollers Training Day

8 Dec - Glee Club Theatre visit - please see over the page for more information.

12 Dec - Junior Fun Day

13 Dec - Reports and Learning Journals home

15 Dec - Presentation assembly; School closes.

30th Jan 2018 - School office open

31st Jan 2018 - First day of school

End of Year Presentation Assembly

Our 2017 Presentation Assembly will be held on Friday 15th December (the last day of the term) over at the Pipe Band Hall. It will begin at 10am. Please note, school will finish for the year at the end of this assembly (approximately 12pm). There will be after-school care available through Morningside After School Care. Please contact Lynley on 021 0232 0343.

Athletics Day

A huge thank you to all of our whanau who showed up to support their children during our recent Athletics Day. This was once again a hugely successful event, with fantastic participation, effort and team spirit from all involved. Congratulations to all students who took part and particularly to those who came first, second or third in their events. Thank you also to Miss Sadgrove for the time and effort she put in to organising this fantastic day.



Enrolment Details for 2018

At this time of the year, we appreciate knowing if there are going to be any students not returning to our school in 2018 (with the exception of the Year 6 students who we know are moving on). Please contact the school or return the slip below if you have a child that is leaving at the end of this year. Also, we would love to know if you have a child that will be enrolling at our kura next year. Please drop into the office or give us a call to let us know your child's name and when they will be starting at Morningside.

Children not returning to Morningside School in 2018:

Name: _____ Team: _____

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Library



On Monday the Mobile Library Bus visited our school. It was great to see all the children using this opportunity to explore new books. Also, just a reminder that students are able to return library books before school and during break times as well as during their usual class visits. Please note, the library will close for the year at the end of Week 7 (Friday 1 December) so all books need to be returned to school by then.

Maori

It was great to hear some of our tamariki sharing that they were trying our Te Reo at home. Using the same question, try asking for different things, recapping the previous words at the same time.

He aha tenei? What is this?

He _____ tena. That is a _____.

This week ask about:

potai- hat pene rakau- pencil

Congratulations to our Kapa Haka Hip Hop Fusion group who performed at Manaia View on Friday. We were all so proud of them and all the time and effort they have put into preparing for this routine. We can't wait to share this with you at the end of year assembly.



Hari huritau ki a koe!

23rd November - 6th December 2017

Team Kakariki - No birthdays

Team Kea - Lily-Belle, Harmony, Taylor W, Kingston A.

Team Tui - Jazmine

Team Pukeko - Nate

Team Kereru - Genesis, Taysha

Team Kiwi - Lincoln

Hearty Arty Hub

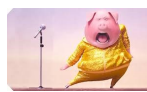
We are really looking forward to our trip to the show

'The boy who left his Jabberwock'

on Friday 8th December, Week 8.

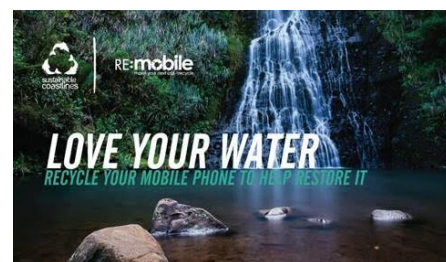
Thank you to the parents who have offered to come along and help, we really appreciate it.

Our GLEE club is also underway again this term and it is great to see some new members join us.



Ngā mihi! Thank you!

Our school was lucky enough to have another delivery of bread from The Salvation Army and Countdown this week. Our tamariki love having bread to take home with them. Thank you once again Countdown and The Salvation Army for this generous donation. Ngā mihi mō to koha miharo mō tā mātou.



It would be fantastic if you could bring any unwanted phones you may have into school before the end of term. Phones collected help our school gain valuable rewards and also benefit the environment.

What's happening in the Teams?

Team Kakariki: Things are going great in Team Kakariki at the moment! We are enjoying our "What a Wonderful World" theme this term. We have explored days, nights and weather, and will be learning about the sun as well as sun and water safety over the next few weeks. Also, remember our swimming days are Tuesdays and Thursdays, something we are all very excited about.

Team Kea:

Phew!! Our term is zooming along quickly! We have been excitedly learning about volcanoes for the last couple of weeks - we have even made our own in the sandpit. Please ask your child about this as they are very knowledgeable about fossils, volcanoes and how the earth has changed over time. Please continue to send your child's book bag each day to school and if they know their sight words, encourage them to see a teacher before school to get them checked. We will be having a 'whanau exploration' day to wind up our inquiry theme so please watch this space.

Team Tui: This week as part of our 'What a Wonderful World' inquiry, we will begin learning about storms. We would appreciate any 2L fizzy bottles you may have at home as we are keen to make our own rain gauges. We have had two fantastic sessions with the swim for life instructors. One 'dry land' session about how to be safe in and around water and a session in the water with life jackets. The kids had a blast. Our swimming days are Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. Please ensure your children bring their togs every swimming day - even if it is raining in the morning as you never know how our unpredictable Northland weather will turn out!

Team Pukeko:

Kia Ora Whanau! Wow, we are half way through the term and it seems to be getting faster each day. Our tamariki continue to work on their 'What a Wonderful World' topic and can't wait to share these later in the term. More details about this will follow so please watch this space! We are excited about the thought of swimming and have had some dry land lessons looking at water safety. Please remember to encourage children to bring their togs every day.

Team Kereru:

The students have had an awesome start to their independent inquiries! It has been great to see them use all the skills they have learned throughout the year to complete their research. We have also enjoyed doing our 'Swim for Life' sessions. We have learned how to keep ourselves safe in the water and were taught important survival skills. Athletics day was a huge success for us! We all tried our best and had positive attitudes.

Team Kiwi:

Athletics day was a highlight for Team Kiwi and the feedback from the other teachers around the school was that our students were encouraging and respectful of everyone on the day - Ka pai Team Kiwi! Your kaiako are so very proud. We are now looking forward to cooling off in the pool on our swimming days (Tuesdays and Thursdays) and learning some potentially life-saving skills with Swim For Life. The end of the year is getting near so remember to talk to any of your Year 6 tamariki about any anxieties they may be having about Intermediate next year. As always, we would love any whanau to pop in to the class morning or afternoon and see what we're doing. Ngā mihi!

