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# MT MAUNGANUI INTERMEDIATE

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## COMING EVENTS 2022

### **MARCH 2022**

**HPV Vaccinations – Year 8's 15** 

#### **APRIL 2022**

**Last Day Term One** 13

#### **MAY 2022**

**First Day Term Two** 

#### **COVID UPDATES**

In the event that your child has moved from being a close/household contact to a positive case please remember to contact the office.

This is so we load the correct code against your child's name.

Email us at:

absentees@mtint.school.nz

#### FROM THE PRINCIPAL......Melissa Nelson

Kia ora Parents and Whānau

#### **Builder Wanted**

We are looking for a local builder who could do a small project in our school office. If you are interested in a job at school and can help us out, we would love to hear from you. Please note we are not looking for a freebie- we are happy to pay a tradesman/woman who can do the job for us. Please contact the office if you think you could help us.

**Camps** 





#### **Link Ave Trial- This from the Tauranga City Council**

Following last year's Links Avenue trial and community survey, Tauranga City Council Commissioners invited directly affected residents to meet in early February 2022 to discuss findings and next steps. At that meeting, they indicated their intention to run a new trial at the Concord Avenue end of Links Avenue towards the end of March.

#### Summary of the new trial:

- Cul-de-sac will be between Solway Place and Concord Avenue
- Bus lane will be removed creating a wider space between the road and the shared/foot path
- Speed limit reduced from 50km to 30km

Presently, with up to 7500 vehicles using the street everyday there is a real risk of injury to pedestrians and cyclists. The goal of the trial is to improve safety for children walking and cycling to and from school and return the road to its function as a residential street.

#### What this means:

Thoroughfare through the cul-desac will be limited to:

- Emergency vehicles
- Buses
- Bikes
- Motorbikes
- Rubbish trucks
- Clearly marked taxis (unmarked Ubers who get fined can appeal and have their ticket waived if they are dropping or collecting someone living on Links Avenue)
- Delivery trucks
- Residents living between Concord

Avenue and Solway Place. Please note, these residents will be notified directly by TCC.



The trial will run for at least four months to enable us to test the impact of the trial on the network and observe commuting behaviour over time. Infringement of the bus lane that creates the cul-desac, will result in a fine of \$150.

#### The location of the cul-de-sac:

Having taken on feedback from directly affected residents regarding the location of the cul-de-sac, we hope the new location proves less restrictive. In preparation for the trial, the next few weeks will see road works and upgrades on Links Avenue. Subject to COVID-19 and weather conditions, between 6 - 25 March, a crew will be actively working on site.

#### What you will see (approximate dates):

6 to 11 March Prep work for the reseal. This includes patching and filling in potholes, removal of old concrete speed humps and installation of new asphalt ones around Spur Avenue. Some work will happen at night (7pm – 7am) to limit disruption to daytime traffic. 15 and 16 March The road will be fully resealed. One lane closed, stop/go on the other, resealing work will happen at night. Bus lane is removed. Road markings will temporarily be replaced by road cones. 17 to 20 March Reseal settling period, traffic management continues. 21 to 25 March Installation of new speed tables and roundabout at Solway Place, and new (temporary) road markings will be painted and signage installed. Week of 28 March Cul-de-sac at Concord Avenue end of Links Avenue starts. As noted, these works are dependent on the weather and the health of our crew, exact dates may vary.

Given the changing environment COVID-19 has created, it is important we have your contact details so we can let you know of changes as soon as possible. If you would like to be kept up to date with the latest news on the project, please send us your details (name, address and email address) to <a href="mailto:linksavenue@tauranga.govt.nz">linksavenue@tauranga.govt.nz</a>.

You can also check out our project page which includes frequently asked questions by searching 'Links Avenue trial' on our website, or visiting www.tauranga.govt.nz/linksavenue

Yours sincerely, nāku iti nei nā The Links Avenue Project Team

#### **Swimming Sports**

Although our roll was somewhat depleted, our school swimming sports went ahead today at the Mount College Pool. Well done to everyone who participated. It was neat to see our students displaying house spirit and entering lots of events to get points for their house. Thank you to Mr Logan for his flexible organisation and to the teaching team for running another great MMI event.





CHECK OUT SOME OF OUR SWIMMING SPORTS
ACTION!













## Ko te waa kaore he hoe he rite ki te tangata kaore he huarahi A waka without a hoe is like a person without direction He waka eke noa

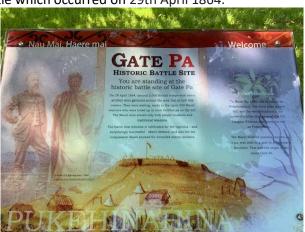
We are all in this waka together



Our inquiry focus this term: We live in a community rich in history and culture which connects us to one another and to our whenua.

As part of our inquiry, we went to Gate Pa to learn about the battle which occurred on 29th April 1864.





Our writing task was to use descriptive writing to write from the perspective of someone in the Gate Pa battle.

The constant boom of cannon fire and mortar shelling reverberated through the pā, explosions of dirt and rock leaping up from the pockmarked ground. Freezing rain lashed my back, the cold water trickling down my mud splattered face and neck. Bullets whizzed through the flimsy fences, some hitting their targets, others flying over our heads and embedding themselves in the wall of mud behind us. Another explosion rocked the slippery ground. The aroma of blood and cordite hung unwelcome in the air, swirling through the thick mist of rain and gun smoke. In my hands the rifle was heavy, its sleek wooden body wet with drizzle and gun oil. A sudden burst of shrapnel tore through one of the wooden barricades, chunks of metal lodging themselves in a soldier's chest sending him tumbling to the trench floor. Silence settled over the pā. It was now or never.

Slowly, I positioned myself on the trench edge so I was almost invisible amongst the wall of logs, resting the musket on the muddy ground. Through the rain and smoke, it was almost impossible to see, but I could make out the outline of an English soldier. I could smell the old wood, steel and explosives. My finger rested over the trigger and I prepared to fire.

The gun jolted backwards into my shoulder as a plume of smoke erupted from the barrel. I squinted, trying to find the soldier I had fired at. There. The bullet had caught him in the gut, sending him tumbling to the ground like a sack of rocks. Even from far away, the amount of blood was shocking, much darker than the colour of the enemy's bright red jacket. Gunpowder hung in the air. I drew back the hammer, and packed more explosive into the firearm's chamber, loading a single steel ball into the slot. My shivering fingers pushed the clasp forward, closing the system. I placed it back on the trench's edge and fired again.

By Tasman Struthers, Whanau 9

#### **MMI SURF COMPETITION**

Last Friday, 4th of March, saw the inaugural MMI Surfing Competition being held at Tay Street Beach Reserve. Tangaroa was smiling on us as he provided a good swell and favourable winds. 30 young, keen and a little sleepy, MMI surfers met for an 8am briefing and then we were straight into our 15 x 20 min heats.

Our competition worked on the World Surf League format where the first round was nonelimination heats and requalify heats, guaranteeing everyone a minimum of 2 hotly contested heats, then progression through to quarterfinals, semifinals and 25 min final heats for both the boys and the girls.

After many hard fought heats, the top four finalists for the boys were Eli Beer, Vitor Kokemper, Zen Mouldey and Rémy Sale. The top four girls were Harlow Horn, Sophie Scott, Maia Symes and Maddie Tod.

Onto the finals ... the girls final saw Maddie Tod 1st, Maia Symes 2nd, Sophie Scott 3rd and Harlow Horn 4th. The boy's final was very hotly contested with the judges having to triple check waves scores. On the first count, the standings were ... Eli Beer 4th, Zen Mouldey 3rd, Vitor Kokemper and Rémy Sale equal 1st. So, it had to come down to the highest single wave score count back. Ending with Vitor Kokemper 1st with a highest score of 7, and Rémy Sale 2nd with a highest score of 6.25.

The pleasing part was that all surfers embraced in combined celebrations, displaying the outstanding sportsmanship and camaraderie. Overall, we all had an excellent day and Mr Davis and I were so proud of the way our students displayed our school coastal values.

We would like to thank the Bay Boardriders club for the use of their equipment, and hopefully we can look forward to this becoming an annual event to find the top surfers for our MMI Surf team to compete in the Super 11 Surf Competition - which was cancelled this year.

#### Kirby Weis Rm15



Back L-R: Maia 2nd, Maddie 1st, Harlow 4th, Sophie 3rd. Front L-R: Zen 3rd, Eli 4th, Vitor 1st, Rémy 2nd.

## **USEFUL INFORMATION**

SCHOOL TIMETABLE	ABSENTEE INFORMATION	BUS INFORMATION
School Starts – 8.45am	Please inform us of your child's absence by	Click here to go to the Bayhopper School Bus
Morning Interval – 10.25am	using one of the following ways:	website –
Lunch – 12.20pm	<b>Text</b> – 027 232 0446	
Dismissal – 2.45pm	<b>Phone</b> – 575 5512 ext 1	Bus Information
•	Email – absentees@mtint.school.nz	
	Your child's teacher will see their absence.	
	Please do not email the teacher directly as	
	they may not see it or they may be absent.	
MEDICATION	TERM DATES	TERM 1 UNIFORM/SHOES/HATS
If you child has a severe medical condition		Term 1 recommends all students to wear a school
or needs to take medication at school	Term 1 - 1 February to 13 April (14th TOD)	hat. Hats can be purchased from the Papamoa
please contact the office.	Term 2 - 2 May to 8 July	Warehouse or NZ Uniforms. It is beneficial for
·	Term 3 - 25 July to 30 September Term 4 -17 October to TBA	students to wear a hat when they are outside.
	Term 4 - 17 October to TBA	•
	TEACHER ONLY DAYS:	We appreciate your child may have specific
	Thursday 14 April	footwear requirements, due to severs, or other
	Friday 3 June	conditions. Please consult with us before you
		purchase shoes that may not fit with our uniform
		requirements. All shoes must be plain black.
DROPPING YOUR CHILD TO AND FROM	SCHOOL TELEPHONE	PARENT SUPPORT GROUP
SCHOOL	The school office telephone is for	We are calling for anyone interested in being part
These are NOT drop off zones:	emergencies only.	of the Parent Support Group (PSG) to contact us.
<ul> <li>Lodge Avenue Staff Carpark</li> </ul>	,	
<ul> <li>Lodge Avenue Turn Around</li> </ul>	Please make sure your child knows what their	They are always looking for volunteers to join
The Bus Bay on Links Avenue	after school arrangements are before they	their team.
This is for the safety of your children, when	come to school. These calls are at a cost to	
dropping off or picking them up. Please	the school.	Please email if you are interested:
refrain from entering and parking in these		mmintermediatepsg@gmail.com
areas.		
CAMP INFORMATION	ORDERING LUNCHES	CHANGE OF DETAILS
All camp information will be sent out by	We operate a lunch online system. You do	It would greatly assist us if you could please
each class	need to register for this. The website for this	advise the office if you have any changes of
	is: www.lunchonline.co.nz.	address, phone numbers, email addresses and
		emergency contact details. In the event of an
	You can order from 9th February for the	emergency, sickness or injury we need to be able
	following days of the week:	to contact someone who can collect your child.
	Tuesdaye Pita Pit	
	Tuesdays – Pita Pit	
	Wednesdays – Subway only	
	Thursdays – Bakers Delight & Sushi	
COMMUNICATION	Fridays – Subway only SPECIALIST FEES	ONLINE PAYMENTS
Checkout out our website, newsletters, daily	Specialist Fees are \$40.00 per year. This covers the	SPORTS FEES/OPTIONAL TRIPS ETC -
notices and Facebook links.	following specialist subjects we offer here at MMI:	If you wish to pay online or by automatic payment
notices and i account links.		you are encouraged to do so. Our bank account
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entered into if you miss a cut off time.

Dear Bunnings Warehouse,

Thank you, for the blueberry plants that you gave to Mount Maunganui Intermediate.

We are very grateful, as we are trying to create a more sustainable garden to help the school be more eco-friendly, and it is always welcome to have some more greenery in the school. It is also great to have some edible, and tasty plants to add to the garden with the feijoa bushes.

We wouldn't have been able to do it without you.



COASTAL VALUE CERTIFICATES 2022			
Term 1 – Week 6			
1	Jai Wilson	Making great decisions that impact your learning. Well done on your focus and dedication this week. Keep it up!	
2	Sofia Lacey	For showing such commitment to your schoolwork and extra mural activities. You are kind, hardworking, determined and such a role model for your peers! He whetū koe!	
3	Oliver Giurizatto Scott	For being a great buddy to others in the class. Good role modelling and helping others in need.	
4	Jackson RuBay	For a great start to Intermediate. Your positivity, enthusiasm and friendliness are wonderful assets. Kei runga noa atu koe!	
5	Maddie Tod	For showing ambition and Integrity in your surfing comp and showing pride through your class counselor role at camp	
6	Mārika-Ahere Te Whata	For stepping up as a leader during our mihi mihi time and having an awesome attitude towards Kura. Ko koe te pahū.	
7	Lily Matiaha	For the way you have settled into your new school. It is so awesome to see your confidence grow Lily, and the way you have adapted to life at MMI. Kei te whakahīhī au ki a koe!	
8	James Wright	For a fantastic week at camp, you had an open mind and gave everything a go. Keep it up James!	
9	Jaxin Berkett	For helping to create a fantastic mindfulness session for the class. Tino pai tō mahi!	
10	Mia McKenzie	You are being a great team captain for arunga touch - great leadership, keep it up!	
11	Mia Foley	For the focus and effort you are putting into your learning and the progress you have made in Maths. He whetū koe!	
12	Riley Ramshaw	For your super attitude and effort in all areas. Congratulations on having such a great start to Year 8 and being such a super role model as the Rm 12 Class Councillor.	
13	Cypha Smart-Harvey	For showing consistent focus on learning tasks. It is impressive to see the determination you have shown this week. The work you have produced is credit to your persistence. Keep it up!	
14	Mia Chiari	You are a wonderful leader, and supportive guide and tutor to others. Your input is hugely valued in Room 14.	
15	Indee Whalen	For being an excellent role and for trying to do your best. Kei te whakahīhī au ki a koe! I am very proud of you!	

16	Olive Hughes	For constantly striving for excellence and putting her best foot forward. You are a great role model Olive, well done!
17	Evita Laurent	For always having a positive attitude towards learning. You give everything a go, accept challenges and consistently try your best.
19	Te Aranga Rimaha	For confidently presenting your Pepeha on our visit to the marae, you were an excellent role model for our whanau. Kei te whakahīhī au ki a koe!
20	Juno Steer	For working hard in class. You are focused on your work and completing it to a high standard. Mīharo Juno, keep it up!
21	Isaac Bray	For being a kind and thoughtful class member who is always willing to help others.
22	Hope Black	Being an awesome role model and displaying our coastal values expertly. Ka rawe!
23	Bailey Moore	For always showing resilience and determination with your learning, especially in maths and reading. You are focused and continually do your best work. Kei reira katoa!
24	Keegan Downey	For being a positive and supportive classmate. You always have a great attitude and look for opportunities to help others.
26	Noah Ramsbottom	For applying himself to his learning and actively seeking a solution to problems he comes across in his learning. Ka pai!
Digi Tech	Gabby McNamara Room 2	For working well with your partner to build and create programs with the EV3 robots.
Dance & Drama	Ason Williams Room 2	For being such a positive force in dance and drama throughout all challenges and activities. You are an excellent learner and leader Ason! Ka mau te wehi.
Food Tech	Lucy Bayes Room 23	For going outside your comfort zone & trying something new. Kā pai rawa tō mahi!
Music	Madalin Baker Room 12	For working on task, extending your chord knowledge and assisting other students.
Visual Arts	William Hyatt Room 25	For a positive attitude and helpfulness in class with his peers.
Kiwi Can	Zac Hunter Room 2	For helping others regain focus when needed. You are a great role model and always lead by example. Miharo Zac!



## REGISTRATIONS OPEN

# Come and join our Arataki Junior Rugby whānau!

For more info, go to our Facebook page



Arataki Junior Rugby (JMC)

Link to register below:

https://www.facebook.com/groups/AratakiJMC/permalink/4962973113778517/

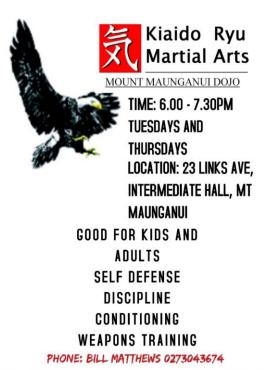


Weigh-in for tackle players: Thur 10th March 5PM - 7PM // Sun 13th March 4PM - 6PM









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