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MMI Newsletter No. 2



COMING EVENTS

February 2024

- Rob Cope Follow up 26 **Evening**
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March 2024

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School Payments

Thank you to all those families who have already paid the camp and specialist donation. It is much appreciated.

We have had some payments go into the wrong account at school.

Please note our bank account details for all payments is the following:

12 3146 0104711 03

Please use your child's name as the reference.



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MMI COASTAL VALUES











PAID UNION MEETING

TUESDAY 26 MARCH - SCHOOL CLOSES AT 12PM

Buses will be here at 12pm to pick students up









FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Tena koutou katoa

Week three has whizzed by with plenty happening here at MMI.

It has been wonderful to see so many happy, settled young people both in and out of the classrooms.

New Stage

We have a new outdoor stage in our grounds.

It is located behind the Dance and Drama room and in front of the pool.

Our vision for this new resource is to encourage our students to perform and share their talents; both during learning time and at break times.

Next Wednesday we will be officially opening our new stage with a lunchtime concert.



Melissa Nelson



If you are able to come along and enjoy some MMI talent, please feel free to join us next Wednesday at 12.30pm.

Reading, Writing and Maths - Government Mandate

The National Government is developing new policies around education. Here is the policy summary:

National will

- Require an hour of maths and two hours of reading and writing on average each day in primary and intermediate schools.
- Rewrite the curriculum to outline the knowledge and skills that primary and intermediate schools must cover each year in reading, writing, maths and science.
- Require standardised, robust assessment of student progress in reading, writing and maths at least twice a year every year from Year 3 to Year 8, with clear reporting to parents.
- · Introduce an exit exam for primary and intermediate teaching graduates to demonstrate expertise in reading, writing, maths and science instruction, and require existing teachers to undertake professional development in teaching the basics.
- Develop a free online resource bank with lesson plans and materials aligned with the new curriculum to reduce teacher workload.

POIPOIA TE KĀKANO KIA PUĀWAI

Nurture the seed and it will blossom



We are yet to see what some of these initiatives will look like in practice.

In the meantime, we have looked carefully into the requirements of one hour per day of reading, writing and maths.

This is challenging in the Intermediate setting due to our time table because our timetable includes several things that are not on offer in primary schools, for example our Specialist Programme. Less time in our main classrooms when compared with our primary school colleagues, makes meeting this requirement rather challenging.

As a school, we have discussed the requirements and have looked carefully at our timetables to ensure that Reading, Writing and Maths are prioritised during all available timetable slots.

When these subjects are timetabled, instruction and learning foci will be specific to the area being taught.

As always, you can expect termly updates on progress and achievement in these learning areas through our Assessment Booklets, Learning Conferences and Written Report.

Te Reo

As part of our school's strategic plan, our whole staff are undertaking to learn Te Reo Maori.

We have invested in a great resource called "Reo Ora" which was developed by Dr Rāpata Wiri.

The comprehensive programme provides engaging discussions, practice conversations, and personalised feedback to enhance our skills as learners of Te Reo.

Staff will be utilising what they have learnt to teach Te Reo in their classrooms. It is our hope that investing in this worthwhile opportunity for staff will benefit every learner at MMI.

If you or any of your family or friends are interested in learning Te Reo, I encourage you to check out this awesome resource. https://reoora.com/

On the sporting front, there is heaps happening at MMI.

This term's class comp - Wheel Relay - has been hotly contested and thoroughly enjoyed by the competing classes each lunch time.

Mrs Logan, our sports coordinator, is working very hard to roll out our summer codes and our surfing team had a great day in the waves last week with Mr Weis.

Our kids are so lucky to have such awesome opportunities available to them.

Have a great weekend everyone.

Ma te wa

Whaea Melissa

SENIOR LEADERSHIP TEAM (SLT)

ROB COPE - Cyber Safety Follow-up Evening

Thank you to those that came and listened to Rob's talk 'Our Kids Online'. It was a great opportunity for us to learn about the potential online dangers our children face and how we can protect them.

Below is a link to some extra resources that Rob has made available to our kura. https://mtint.school.nz/our-kids-online/

Join us for an engaging follow-up evening after the inspiring Rob Cope Presentation!

We know that some of the topics and content that Rob shared has resinated with whanau.

If you would like to further the discussion then we are holding an informal gathering.

MMI Staffroom Monday 26 February, 6pm.

It will be a time to share your experiences, seek support and exchange ideas with fellow MMI parents.

Plus, don't miss out on valuable insights from Rory Birkbeck of Safe Surfer, who will be present on how their business can assist with internet filters and answer any questions.



See you there!

BUSES

The start of the year is always a busy time for students that catch the bus to and from Mount Maunganui Intermediate.

This year we bought in a tag system to help spread our students across the four buses that travel towards Papamoa.

Thanks to parents and students that has supported this. The system is running much better and we are not having the large numbers (70 or 80 kids) on our buses anymore.

We have had a number of requests for students to switch buses for a variety of reasons. At this stage this is not possible. We are working with the council to determine the load on our buses and moving students between buses won't help this process.

If students want to travel home together they will be instructed to use the public bus.

This leaves 5 minutes after our school buses and covers the same route. This bus is less busy than our school buses and is free. However, students need to use a Bee Card and tag on and off.

MMI COASTAL VALUES



MMI students are active learners



MMI students show aroha, respect and mana



MMI students act with integrity, pride and honesty



TUAKIRI

MMI students know their identity

COASTAL VALUE CERTIFICATES 2024 Term 1 – Week 3

2	Phoebe Bagshaw	For consistently showing our AMPT values, being an amazing role model and leader in our class. Ka rawe, Phoebe!
3	Louis Morlet	For outstanding dedication and effort on your inquiry art piece. It looks fantastic, well done!
4	Ezekiel Russell	For your positive engagement in all areas of learning at MMI. You participate willingly and enthusiastically in everything we do. Ka rawe!
5	Charles Finn	Room 5's star of the week! What an excellent start you have made to the year by following our Coastal Values. Thank you for all you help.
6	Sophia Page	For an outstanding start to MMI. You are showing all the attributes of an AMPT student in Whanau 6. Ka rawe!
8	Cooper Edmonds	For your great start to the year - I love your positive and fun attitude in class. Keep up the good work!
11	Phoenyx Brown	For your positive engagement in all areas of learning at MMI. You participate willingly and enthusiastically in everything we do. Ka rawe!
12	Dillon Scott-Simmonds	You have made a terrific start to the year. Dillon you constantly display ako by working hard and taking pride in your learning.
14	Avalon Janssen	For your fantastic attitude towards any and all activities in and out of class. Your enthusiasm and energy is contagious! You are a superstar!
15	Hunter Struthers	For being a respectful, self-managed, helpful, and creative member of Whānau 15 who contributes positively in all aspects of our class. Fantastic start to MMI!
16	Cole Hoebergen	For consistently showing our AMPT values, taking on extra responsibilities when required, and being an amazing role model and leader in our class. Tino pai tō mahi! Very good work Cole!
17	Trey Coles	For such a great start in your new school. You have been focussed and dedicated to completing tasks. Keep it up. Ka rawe.

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18	James Clark	For being the most welcoming, caring, and thoughtful student. James, you're a star. You a always reliable and ready to help. Thank you!
19	Adam Payne	For being such a helpful and amazing role model in Whānau 19. You have had a fantastic start to the year. Keep it up Adam!
20	Leyshana Ihimaera	For a great start to 2024. Well done Leyshana! You are completing work to a great standard and setting a good example for our new students in our class. Thank you! Ka pai tō mahi!
21	Paige Walker	For being a resilient and hard working student in Whānau 21. You are always offering ideas in discussions and asking questions for your learning. Keep it up!
23	Clio Joyce	For being kind, caring and a great supportive classmate. He whetū koe! You are a star!
24	Jaydyn Kakau	For being such a helpful member of Whānau 24. You willingly take on any task and show great initiative and maturity when doing so. He whetū koe!
25	Supreet Kaur	For applying your learning in class, ka pai! You have managed yourself in class so well as well as being a socially responsible class member ensuring those around you are doing the right thing. I am so impressed with your hard work and leadership. He aha te kai ō te rangatira.
26	Malie Lett	For applying new learning techniques with bravery and confidence. Ka rawe!
Digi Tech	Hema Veale - Room 17	For your engagement and motivation for your learning in Digi Tech. Tino Pai Hema!
Dance & Drama	Arli Sloan - Whānau 20	For your commitment to demonstrating tuakiri and manaaki consistently in dance and drama. You are a phenomenal leader and team member Arli, ka rawē!
Foods	Tuteira Pohatu Room 6	For always being a curious & dedicated learner.
Visual Arts	Casper Petitpas - Room 1	For awesome positivity and lovely manners. You are so supportive and encouraging with your peers, this is great to see!!
Hard Materials	Shae TeWhae - Room 17	For a great start to Hard Materials, a positive attitude and good work ethics.
Kiwi Can	Uanuku Richards Room 6	Thankyou for being involved where you could. We appreciate the way you engage with others in our Kiwi Can class. Kia kaha Uanuku!

MMI SURF COMPETITION

Last Friday 30 dedicated surfers were at Tay Street Beach competing to try and make the 2024 MMI Surf Team

Surf conditions were epic, with the biggest and cleanest surf conditions rolling in that we have ever had for a MMI Surf competition.

Our surfers were ampted and ready for the 8am briefing, then straight into hotly contested 20 minute heats.

The first round of heats are non-elimination heats, guaranteeing redemption in the requalifying round, then final progression through to quarterfinals, semifinals and final heats for both boys and girls.

After many hard fought heats with some big bombs being dropped by opr surfers the top eight boys: Ben, Keenan, Zigy, Archer, Haru, Emerson, Mason and Jakob and the top five girls, of Sav, Gussie, Coco, Jeanne and Ani were sorted.

Both finals were very close fought battles with great surfing, camaraderie and sportsmanship displayed. Final placing are as follows:

BOYS - 1st Place - Haru Marsden, 2nd Place - Ben Young and 3rd Place - Keenan Hoiles. GIRLS - 1st Place - Coco Land, 2nd Place - Jeanne Fromont and 3rd Place Ani Skiffington.

MMI Surf Team for 2024 are as follows:

BOYS - Haru Marsden, Ben Young, Keenan Hoiles, Jakob Antis, Emerson Fullerton and Zigy Mouldey. Reserves - Mason Calley and Archer Flevill.

GIRLS - Coco Land and Jeanne Fromont. Reserves - Ani Skiffington and Sav Dawes.

They will be competing with pride at the Super 11 Surf Competition on Friday 8th March at Tay Street Beach.

I would like to personally thank all the surfers, parents and Mount College judges for making it an excellent day.

Also the Bay Boardriders for their continued support with gear and equipment.

Kirby Weis - Rm16 Teacher in Charge of Surfing







KIWI CAN

Introducing our Kiwi Can Leaders of MMI - Todd and Leiona!

We have loved being part of MMI as the students here are full of energy and always enthusiastic when they come and visit our classrooms each week.

This week, the question was asked "who sometimes breaks the rules?" linking it back to how following and setting rules is respectful to other teams and individuals.

It was an interesting response! Lots of laughs shared throughout our activity!

We ended with the student leaders of each class reading out the notices as part of developing their leadership skills. They are doing so well!

Well done to all who have received Awards, Iollies, stickers etc. from us this week! Kia kaha!

Malo 'aupito,

Kiwi Can Leiona & Todd

MMI SPORTS

After School Sport - Starting Dates

We have nearly 300 students already involved in afterschool activities and it has been mammoth task to compile and register teams.

The following starting dates have been in previous communication. Please make sure your child is well supported to start the season of positivity.

- Volleyball Friday 16 February
- Water Polo C Grade Friday 16 February
- 3x3 Basketball Monday 19 February
- Water Polo A/B Grade Tuesday 20 February
- RIP Arataki Wednesday 21 February
- RIP Gordon Spratt Friday 23 February

Commitment

Commitment is essential life skills that your child will develop by being engaged in a team sport.

Team sports also helps children develop many social skills. It teaches them to co-operate, be less selfish, and to list to other children. It also gives children a sense of belonging.

Coaches/Managers

Thank you to all those who have already offered their support in this area. There are still teams that require these experts, this can be a great opportunity for college students to give back.

Teachers in Charge of Sports

We are very fortunate to have many teachers who support our tamariki throughout the year with sports.

The following teachers are involved in term 1 sports. Your first point of contact will be the teacher in charge and then myself. Nicola Logan (Sports Coordinator).

VolleyballSandra Larsens.larsen@mtint.school.nzWater PoloAshleen Fahys.fahy@mtint.school.nz

Basketball Ana Hokopaura-Whelan <u>a.hokopaura-whelan@mtint.school.nz</u>

Hockey Jill Johnstone <u>j,johnstone@mtint.school.nz</u>
Cricket Jimmy Davis <u>j.davis@mtint.school.nz</u>
Surfing Kirby Weis <u>k.davis@mtint.school.</u>

The contact person for all other support during term 1 is Nicola Logan.

Any queries do not hesitate to contact me.

Nicola Logan MMI Sports Coordinator 027 346 7963 sports@mtint.school.nz

MMI SPORTS

Winter Sports Registration

Registrations will be open next week for the following MMI Winter codes:

- Basketball MMI Basketball Registration 2024
- Netball MMI Netball Registration 2024
- Hockey MMI Hockey Registration 2024

Please keep a close eye on your emails for notification and maybe check your spam folder.

Commitment: Your child needs to be committed to attending all trainings and games and even when injured your child will attend to support the team.

Deadline for all the above registrations is Wednesday 6th March.

Other Sports Registrations

Swimming - for our current competitive swimmers - closes Monday 26 February midday. MMI Championship swimming trials 2024

Tennis - for club tennis players Super 11 Tennis 2024

Sports TV

We have a TV on the hall window where all sports information is displayed for students to view.

Presently the teams for RIP, Volleyball, Waterpolo, 3x3 Basketball and Top Schools teams are displayed.

MMI SPORTS

'BLUES'

Mount Maunganui Intermediate like to recognise the success of students in everything they do.

One way we represent this is to give students 'BLUES'.

These can be given for achievement in the following areas: Sport, Cultural, Academic, Art, The Arts, Environmental, Leadership, ICT and Citizenship.

They will be given these after each event along with the following notice of where to place these on their school uniform.



GENERAL SPORTS INFO

Google forms:

Please make yourself familiar with the process of MMI sports registrations. These are generally completed online through google forms.

We do our very best to make it available through our many communication channels such as school emails, our weekly newsletter, MMI Facebook page and our website.

If you are not receiving emails, *please check your spam* in case messages are going there.

Deadlines:

Deadlines for all sports registrations are important so that processes and organisation can be completed. Unfortunately we cannot extend cut off dates so please ensure you register on time.

Payments:

Fees for activities need to be paid prior to activity starting, a payment arrangement can be made through the school office. Contact Karen admin@mtint.school.nz or phone the school office.

Daily Notices:

All notices related to sport are on the daily notices, these are read out in each class and can be accessed on our website.

We encourage students to show independence and self manage to get to meetings and practices.

Sports Office: (Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday)

This is now situated in the school hall, students are more than welcome to pop in and ask questions.

SCHOOL NEWS

YUMMY STICKERS

Collect Yummy Stickers that can earn Mount Maunganui Intermediate (MMI) Sports Gear!!



A share of \$200,000 Free Gear Available to every Primary and Intermediate School in New Zealand's North Island.

MMI received over \$700 worth of PE gear in 2023 from collecting Yummy stickers. This provides gear for students to use in their break time.

What to do: Collect the Yummy cut-out labels from bags (each cut-out is worth 10 stickers) and individual Yummy apple stickers.

Hand these stickers to your child's classroom teacher and they will earn house points as well.

Where from: Yummy apples are available from New World, PAK'n SAVE and participating Four Square stores.

The more you collect, the more sports gear we get so get going and start collecting your Yummy cut-out labels and stickers now!

NATHAN WALLIS



Tickets can be purchased from eventfinda - https://www.eventfinda.co.nz/2024/nathan-wallis-the-teen-brain/mt-maunganui

SCHOOL NOTICES



ART SUPPLIES NEEDED:

Newspapers
Yoghurt Pots - Large &
Small
Ice cream containers
Old Shirts - to be used as
art shirts
Any small plastic
containers (no lids needed)



TrySassy at Mount Intermediate

TrySassy is a programme for 11-13 year old girls (years 7 & 8) who don't actively participate in sports but want to be active in some way, while having fun with their peers and making new friends. The aim of the 16 week (2 term) programme is to improve self confidence, try new physical activities, and learn skills that will help the girls feel good about themselves as they develop into young women and become part of their wider community. TrySassy is all about FUN and CONNECTION!

TrySassy has previously been run in association with Triathlon Tauranga, but as demand has increased over the last few years, the programme has moved under the umbrella of a new charity Spark Success Trust. The charities purpose is to support the youth of Aotearoa develop self confidence and better mental health and well being outcomes for themselves.

With generous funding received, this programme can be delivered at <u>no cost</u> to the girls and their families.

Research has identified that there is a direct correlation between a lack of physical activity by young girls and them having poorer mental health and lower aspirations than their male counterparts. It also shows that the biggest drop-off in girls participating in sport and/or physical activities occurs during the transition between primary and high school. Additionally, being active in adolescence is much more likely to lead to an active lifestyle in adulthood. Supporting our young females to be active, and stay active, is important for setting them up to be healthy and happy, now and in the future.

TrySassy at Mount Intermediate is run on a Tuesday afternoon at the school starting on Tuesday 05th March. The girls meet each week as soon as school finishes for the day until approx 4:15pm.

The programme runs through Terms 1 8. 2 during term time only.

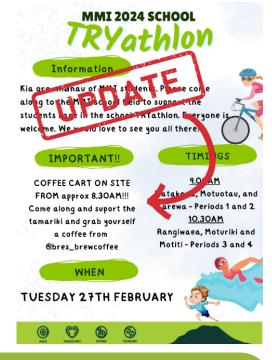
We start each session with an information "chat" on various topics such as social media safety, self confidence, friendships, goal setting and self care. Then we move to a physical activity such as boxing, circuit training, giving different

sports a go or design other games that promote physical activity, friendship and most of all FUN!!!

If this sounds like something that could benefit the young female in your life, please contact us for an





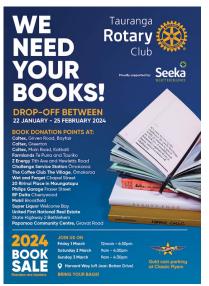


Wearable Arts

Some students are requiring the following items to help with constructing their garments. If you have any of these it would be greatly appreciated and can be brought over to the Art Room.

Foam rubber
Small Plastic balls
Long and/or short hoop petticoat skirt
Mile bottle caps
Thick yellow fabric

COMMUNITY NOTICES











INT/TEEN ARTIST 11-17yrs TERM 1 MARCH 12th - APRIL 11th 5wks

DESIGN - Choosing a letter of your name to design a modern futuristic building

Tues 4.15pm -5.30pm 5wks \$125.00 Thur 4.15pm - 5.30pm 5wks \$125.00

jacquivandenbergartistegmail.com 0210696555 www.mountwildheart.co.nz





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MOUNT MAUNGANUI INTERMEDIATE

USEFUL INFORMATION

TERM DATES

Term 1 – 5 February to 12 April

Term 2 – 29 April to 5 July Term 3 – 22 July to 27 September Term 4 – 14 October to 18 December

MEDICATION

If your child has a severe medical condition or needs to medication at school please contact the office at: office@mtint.school.nz

SCHOOL DROP OFF

These are NOT drop off zones:

- Lodge Avenue Staff Carpark
- Lodge Avenue Turn Around
- The Bus Bay on Links Avenue

This is for the safety of your children, when dropping off or picking them up. Please refrain from entering and parking in these areas.

CHANGE OF DETAILS

It would greatly assist us if you could please advise the office if you have any changes of address, phone numbers, email addresses and emergency contact details. In the event of an emergency, sickness or injury we need to be able to contact someone who can collect your child.

Please email the office at office@mtint.school.nz

KEY LINKS

- **ABSENTEES**
- **BELL TIMES**
- **BUS INFORMATION**
- ONLINE PAYMENTS
- **ORDERING LUNCHES**
- PARENT PORTAL
- **SCHOOL UNIFORM**



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