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MOUNT MAUNGANUI
INTERMEDIATE

COMING EVENTS

AUGUST

24 Science Fair Regionals - Hamilton

SEPTEMBER

2 MMI Choir - Tauranga Primary School Music Festival

5-11 AIMS Games 2026

15 BOT Meeting

16 Out of Zone Enrolments close

22 Ballot for Out of Zone Enrolments

25 Out of Zone Enrolments notified of outcome

25 End of Term 3

26-29 North Island Waterpolo Festival

OCTOBER

12 Beginning of Term 4

14-21 Ritsumeikan group arrive

26 Labour Day - No School

27 BOT Meeting

28 WBOP Tennis - Papamoa

30 Teacher Only Day - School closed

NOVEMBER

6 MAP Testing - MMC

14-28 S11 Battle of the Bays - Gisborne

12 WBOP Touch Tournament

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LOANED UNIFORMS

If your child has loaned any PE Uniform/School Uniform or has any Sports Uniforms at home, Can they please be returned to the school.

THANK YOU



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MMI COASTAL VALUES



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FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Kia ora koutou whānau,

I would like to introduce myself — my name is Renee Thurston, and I am privileged to be stepping into the role of Acting Principal for the remainder of Term 3. I want to extend a huge thank you to Shem Banbury for the superb job he has done leading our kura so far. A friendly reminder to everyone that Melissa Nelson will be returning to her position at the beginning of Term 4.



Renee Thurston
Acting Principal

Open Evening Success & 2027 Enrolments

Our recent Open Evening was a fantastic success, and it was wonderful to see our school community come together. It was particularly heartening to witness so many of our talented students taking centre



stage - sharing their voices, performing in bands, and putting on brilliant dance routines. A special mention must go to our talented Kapa Haka group who gave an awesome performance to close out the formal hall section of the evening who visited, enjoyed their taste of life here at MMI.

For families looking ahead to next year, please keep our key enrolment timelines in mind:

- **Enrolments:** Online enrolments for 2027 are currently open via our website.
- **Due Date:** **All enrolments are due by 2:30pm on Wednesday, 16th September (Term 3, Week 9).** This is also when out-of-zone enrolments strictly close.
- **Ballot & Notification:** If required, the ballot for out-of-zone places will take place on **Tuesday, 22nd September**, with families notified of the outcome via email by **Friday, 25th September**.

We are so excited about the year ahead and are really looking forward to welcoming our new Year 7 cohort in 2027!

POIPOIA TE KĀKANO KIA PUĀWAI

Nurture the seed and it will blossom

KIA MAUAO TE TŪ

House Speeches & Academic Integrity with AI

It has been an action-packed week with many of our students competing in their respective House Speech Competitions. A huge congratulations to every student who stepped up, spoke with confidence, and made it to this stage! We are looking forward to our School Speech Finals which will be held next Friday at 9:00am.

In today's digital landscape, speech writing has presented some new and unique challenges for our teaching team with the widespread access to AI technology. To navigate this and ensure academic honesty, our teachers have adapted their approach:

- Students were required to write and refine their speeches in class so teachers could directly observe the authentic development of their ideas over time.
- We also utilised AI detection tools to verify that all speeches advancing to our final competition are genuinely the students' own original work.

While adapting to these emerging technologies has certainly been a learning curve, it ensures a fair playing field for all participants and teaches our tamariki the importance of integrity, authentic voice, and hard work.

Teacher Only Day Focus

On Friday 21st August our school held a Teacher Only Day. We deeply appreciate your support in allowing us this time, as it gives our staff a vital opportunity to refine our pedagogy and align our teaching strategies.

Throughout the day, teachers focused on planning our upcoming school-wide inquiries and deepening our collective understanding of Positive Culture for Learning (PC4L) across MMI. Crucially, we also worked on strategies to deliberately foster a deep sense of belonging for all of our students, ensuring that every child feels safe, valued, and connected in our kura.

Have a wonderful, restful weekend everyone.

Nāku noa, nā

Renee Thurston

Acting Principal

MMI COASTAL VALUES



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MANAAKI

MMI students show aroha, respect and mana



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COASTAL VALUE CERTIFICATES 2026 Term 3 – Weeks 4/5

1	Sophia Martin	For always striving for your best and always being a polite, supportive class member. Keep aiming for your best!	1	Riley Reed	For making a committed effort to your speech and presenting it to the class. Keep up the focussed attitude.
2	Oscar Luckman	For your amazing speech about Basketball. Your confidence when speaking in front of the class was fantastic. You are awesome!	2	Nylah de Hoog	For being an engaged and hardworking member of our class. Your creative ideas and bubbly personality make our classroom a better place!
3	Mia Hampton	For a well written and presented speech. It was awesome to see your improved confidence and willingness to go first! Ka rawe!	3	Sequoia Iles	For being a great PE monitor, always checking ahead of time what she needs & being responsible with the gear.
4	Cady Hoogstraten	For excellent focus and critical thinking during literacy and being a committed lover of reading!	4	Dom Quellin	For consistently demonstrating a commitment to excellence through the completion of tasks to a high standard, while displaying a positive attitude towards learning.
5	Thiago Reynoso	For your bravery during speeches this week. Though there can be many challenges around them you showed perseverance, & determination delivering a wonderful performance.	5	Will Cuff	For your positive attitude, and creative mind. You think outside the box and role model being able to take a mistake and turn it into a positive action for all.
6	Bella Hawken	For doing your best in your speech writing! You have shown amazing commitment and produced a great speech. Ka Rawe!	6	Nahla Bell Wills	For working hard & growing your confidence in Maths. You have made some amazing progress! Tino Pai
7			7	Mila Cameron	For demonstrating the Coastal Value, Ako, by staying focused during Maths and producing your best work.
8	Lilly Hansen	For applying yourself in your reading learning this week, you asked questions and showed independence to complete your task. Celebrate your achievements and keep it up! We are proud of you Lilly!	8	Oli Austen	For making a conscious effort to keep accountable & improve your attitude towards learning! I am so impressed Oli & hope that you are feeling proud of your accomplishments.
9	Cohen Gibson	For locking in to your maths learning, and engaging in whole class and small group lessons with confidence! Ka rawe!	9		
10	Summer Holmes	For showing curiosity, enthusiasm, and engagement across all areas of learning, while being a bright and positive member of Whānau 10. He whetū koe, Summer!	10	Oli Bryne	For positively demonstrating our AMPT coastal values. You have shown focus and dedication to your work during learning time. Kia pai tō mahi, Oli!
11	Finnur Crowder	For using your creative super power to effectively express yourself. Tino pai tō mahi!	11	Haneshley Caling	For showing a strong work ethic and dedication towards your learning across the subjects. Tino pai tō mahi!
12			12	Reef Campbell	For showing good work ethic across all area of your learning, especially your writing. Tino pai tō mahi!
13	Keyarn Hohepa	For the attention you have given all areas of learning this week. I especially liked the passion you put into your speech writing. Ka rawe!	13	Alby Brown	For the effort and passion you put into your speech. You presented it with such emotion and really had the audience feeling the impact. Ka rawe for your resilience with this!
14	Amanda Lambert	For being brave with sharing your speech. Your confidence is shining this year! Kei te whakahihi au ki a koe, I am very proud of you!	14	Finn Kemp	For your amazing effort that you put into your speech. I am so proud of you getting up in front of everyone and presenting it!
15	Malia Harris	For your genuine enthusiasm for learning and the positive energy you bring to Maths. Your growth has been awesome to see.	15	Tanveer Kaur	For always bringing such a positive attitude to your learning, consistently trying your best, and delivering a fantastic persuasive speech!

COASTAL VALUE CERTIFICATES 2026 Term 3 – Weeks 4/5

16	Jack Skidmore	For being brave when presenting your class speech! You were clear and well-rehearsed. Tino pai!	16	Finn Johns	For taking charge of your learning, asking great maths questions, and putting in the extra effort to succeed!
17	Lulah Metcalfe	For being such a welcoming and engaged member of our class. You show resilience when learning new and challenging concepts, and it's so awesome to see your confidence grow.	17	Ari Tempest	For being an engaged and hardworking member of our class. Your awesome ideas and bubbly personality make our classroom a better place!
18	Boston McIvor	For crafting and delivering a good speech. Your passion and dedication were clear, reflecting the many hours of practice that went into it.	18	Ben Boyle	For staying locked in and giving 100% to your learning all week. Keep up the fantastic work!
21	Isla Latimer	For the outstanding effort, exceptional quality, and passion shown in your speech. Kei te whakahihi au ki a koe!	21	Nico Strickland	For embracing feedback, challenging yourself, and working tirelessly to refine every aspect of your speech, always striving for your best. Mitaki lahi!
24	Oilly Page	For showing a great effort and positive attitude in Maths. You are making fantastic progress through your hard work and determination.	24	Kai Wills	For a great effort with your speech. You delivered it with confidence and were very entertaining.
25			25	Aiden Cooper	For your outstanding work ethic and for making the Mōtiti/Tūhua speech finals. Kei te whakahihi au ki a koe!!
27			27	Amelia Stirling	For showing ako, pono and tuakiri when writing and presenting her speech. So proud of you Amelia!
28	Mya-Rose Toetoe	Te mutunga kē mai o te pai tō mahi pāngarau i te wiki nei. Paia!	28		
Digi Tech	Sarah Vu Rm 21	For making valuable contributions in Digi. You ask good questions to help you complete tasks and clarify your understanding of the learning.	Digi Tech	Sanna Meyer Whānau 27	For being an active listener and focused on your learning. You show persistence and care when completing your tasks.
Science			Science	Toby Ellery Room 15	I appreciate your enthusiasm, focus and keeping our Science lab tidy. You are always willing to help others, and did a fantastic job at Open Evening.
Food Tech	Samuel Minchington Whānau 1	For your impressive work ethic and resilience! You showed great character by managing disappointment maturely.	Food Tech	Rio McLachlan Whānau 17	You are a studious and polite student who is always eager to learn. Your willingness to ask questions makes you a standout learner!
Music	Brontë Drysdale Whānau 11	For showing resilience and focus while learning one of the world's most challenging instruments—the guitar.	Music	Noah Wnendt Whānau 15	You are always willing to contribute to class discussions, which helps others to understand music concepts. Looking forward to seeing how your digital composition takes shape next week.
Visual Arts	Cale Berkett Room 1	For displaying great effort in drawing facial features, with strong attention to detail and realistic shading, well done!	Visual Arts	Karman Haeta Room 16	Impressive work! Your self-portrait shows fantastic attention to detail, and the overall design is truly creative.
Hard Materials	Hendrix Buchanan Room 8	For taking responsibility for workshop safety and looking out for others.	Hard Materials	Elliot Neves Room 17	For following diagrams and instructions well, working efficiently, and producing work to a high standard.

INFECTIOUS DISEASES

Infectious illnesses Symptoms, spread & exclusion guidance

This chart provides information for Early Learning Services (ELS) to support decision-making about whether a person (child or adult) should be excluded from the facility. This guidance may also be applied in schools and workplaces.

Illness	Symptoms	How it spreads	Time between exposure and showing symptoms	Exclude sick person from early learning service, school, or work until
Rashes and skin infections				
Chickenpox 	Fever, runny nose, cough and spots with a blister on top of each spot.	Breathing in infectious air particles from an infected person who has breathed out, sneezed or coughed. Contact with fluid from blisters.	8-21 days (usually 14-16 days)	1 week from appearance of rash, or until all blisters have dried up and crusted.
Hand, foot and mouth	Fever, headache, sore throat, painful red blisters in/around the mouth. 3-5 days later red blisters can appear on palms of hands, soles of feet or elsewhere on the body.	Breathing in infectious air particles from an infected person who has breathed out, sneezed or coughed. Contact with fluid from blisters.	3-5 days	All blisters have dried up (usually within a few days). If blisters can be covered, and child is feeling well, they will not need to be excluded.
Head lice (nits)	Itchy scalp or scratch marks, especially behind ears. Small (small flat insects) seen on the scalp, or their eggs (nits) on strands of hair.	Direct contact with an infected person's hair, and less commonly by contact with contaminated surfaces and objects.	Not applicable	No exclusion required. ELS/school should be informed. Treatment is recommended to kill eggs and lice**.
Impetigo (school sores)	Red sores or blisters, which burst to leave crusty, golden-brown patches. Can be itchy.	Direct contact with an infected person's sores or their clothing, bedding or towels.	Approx. 10 days	Sores have dried up or at least 24 hours after appropriate treatment** has started and sores on exposed skin are covered.
Measles 	Fever, cough, runny nose and sore/hot eyes. 3-5 days later a rash appears, starting on the face and neck, before spreading down the rest of the body. The rash is not usually itchy.	Breathing in infectious air particles from an infected person who has breathed out, sneezed or coughed. The virus can remain in the air for up to 2 hours.	7-21 days (usually 10-14 days)	4 full days after appearance of a rash. (Note: a person is also infectious more 4 days before the appearance of a rash.)
Molluscum contagiosum	Groups of small, hard, skin coloured, raised spots on the skin. Can appear anywhere but often in the armpit, behind the knee, or in the groin.	Direct contact with an infected person's sores or their clothing, bedding or towels, through infected water, such as in a bath.	Usually 2 weeks but can be up to 6 months	No exclusion required.
Ringworm (tinea infection)	Red, itchy, scaly spots or rash on the skin with a raised red border that spreads outwards in a circle.	Direct contact with an infected person's rash or their clothing, bedding or towels.	4-14 days	No exclusion required. Swimming and skin contact should be avoided until treated with antifungal product**.
Rubella (German measles) 	Fever, swollen neck glands or sore throat, runny nose, itchy rash, sore eyes, sore joints, tired or spots/rash on the face, neck and body.	Breathing in infectious air particles from an infected person who has breathed out, sneezed or coughed.	8-21 days (usually 16-18 days)	7 days after the appearance of a rash and feeling well.
Scabies	Itchy rash mostly affecting the arms, legs and trunk (from the neck down to the palms).	Direct contact with an infected person's rash or their clothing, bedding or towels.	3-6 weeks (can be 1-5 days if had scabies before)	24 hours after the first treatment**.
Strep throat (Group A streptococcal infection, RTH disease) 	Fever, headache, runny nose, sore throat, followed a few days later by a bright red rash on cheeks and a pink lace-like rash on the body.	Breathing in infectious air particles from an infected person who has breathed out, sneezed or coughed.	8-20 days (usually 16 days)	Feeling well, if they have a rash but are otherwise feeling well, they do not need to be excluded.
Gastroenteritis illnesses / diarrhoea and vomiting illnesses				
Campylobacter Cryptosporidium Giardia Salmonella	Stomach pain, fever, nausea, diarrhoea and/or vomiting. Diarrhoea may also cause bloating, flatulence and weight loss.	Consuming contaminated drinking water, raw milk, food, or undercooked food. Exposure to contaminated environmental surfaces and water sources (e.g. rivers). Contact with an infected person's or animal's faeces (poo).	Campylobacter 1-10 days Cryptosporidium 1-10 days Giardia 3-25 days Salmonella 6 hours-3 days	48 hours after a person last had diarrhoea or vomiting.
Hepatitis A 	Fatigue, jaundice, stomach pain, general sickness with loss of appetite (yellow skin) appearing a few days later. Children may have no symptoms or other symptoms such as diarrhoea, cough, runny nose, joint pain.	Consuming contaminated food, or drink. Contact with an infected person's faeces (poo).	6-50 days (usually 28-30 days)	7 days after the start of jaundice (yellow eyes/skin) and/or other symptoms.
Norovirus Rotavirus	Stomach pain, fever, nausea, diarrhoea and/or vomiting.	Consuming contaminated food or drink. Exposure to contaminated environmental surfaces and water sources (e.g. rivers). Contact with an infected person's faeces (poo).	Norovirus 10-12 hours Rotavirus 24-72 hours	48 hours after a person last had diarrhoea or vomiting.
Shiga toxin-producing Escherichia coli (STEC) (VTEC, Verocytotoxin-producing E. coli) 	Bloody diarrhoea, stomach pain, can lead to serious complications requiring immediate medical attention.	Consuming contaminated drinking water, raw milk, food, or undercooked food. Exposure to contaminated environmental surfaces and water sources (e.g. rivers). Contact with an infected person's or animal's faeces (poo).	2-10 days	48 hours after a person last had diarrhoea or vomiting.
Shigella 	Diarrhoea (may be bloody), fever, nausea, stomach cramps, vomiting.	Consuming contaminated food or drinking water. Exposure to contaminated environmental surfaces. Contact with an infected person's faeces (poo).	2 hours - 7 days (usually 1-3 days)	48 hours after a person last had diarrhoea or vomiting.
Respiratory illnesses				
Flu (influenza) 	Cough, sore throat, headache, tiredness. Cold symptoms are gradual and commonly include runny nose and sneezing.	Breathing in infectious air particles from an infected person who has breathed out, sneezed or coughed.	Flu 1-4 days SAR 2-6 days COVID-19 2-14 days (usually 3-5 days)	No fever for 24 hours, no need for medicine to reduce fever for 24 hours and no or only mild symptoms (i.e. mild cough, headache, runny/nosedrunken nose).
Other illnesses similar to influenza RSV (Respiratory syncytial virus) 	Flu is usually more severe, and the symptoms may last longer. Flu symptoms are sudden and commonly include fever and muscle aches.			
Colds (upper respiratory tract infection) COVID-19				
Whooping cough (pertussis) 	Runny nose, persistent mild cough followed by coughing fits, may result in vomiting. Breathlessness, or a 'whoop' sound when gasping for breath between coughs.	Breathing in infectious air particles from an infected person who has breathed out, sneezed or coughed.	7-21 days (usually 7-10 days)	3 weeks after cough started (if no antibiotic taken). 2-5 days after starting antibiotics (amoxicillin/clarithromycin on type of antibiotic taken).
Streptococcal sore throat (strep throat) 	Sore throat (especially when swallowing), headache, vomiting. An untreated strep sore throat can lead to rheumatic fever.	Breathing in infectious air particles from an infected person who has breathed out, sneezed or coughed. Direct contact and sharing drinking bottles, cutlery etc. with an infected person.	3-5 days	Feeling well and/or 24 hours after antibiotic treatment** has started.
Other infections and illnesses				
Conjunctivitis (pink eye) 	Irritation (itchy, gritty, burning or mild soreness) and redness of eye. Sticky and swollen eyelids.	Direct contact with discharge from the eyes or with items contaminated by the discharge.	2-10 days (usually 3-4 days)	Eyes are not itchy or weeping.
Measles 	Fever, headache, generally unwell, vomiting, sometimes a rash. Symptoms can get rapidly worse. urgent treatment in hospital is required as this is a life-threatening condition.	Close or prolonged contact with an infected person's mucus (snot) or saliva.	2-10 days (usually 3-5 days)	Feeling well following discharge from hospital. Person is no longer infectious 24 hours after antibiotic treatment has started.
Mumps 	Swelling of the glands around the face and neck, pain in jaw, fever, headache.	Breathing in infectious air particles from an infected person who has breathed out, sneezed or coughed. Direct contact with tissues, toys or surfaces contaminated with an infected person's saliva (and/or snot).	2-25 days (usually 16-18 days)	5 days after facial swelling develops.
Threadworm (pinworm) 	Itchy bottom, often worse at night. Not sleeping well, irritability and not wanting to eat as much.	Swallowing the eggs that stick to fingers and get under fingernails when scratching.	1-2 months	No exclusion required.

- * Seek further advice from your healthcare provider or local public health service. You can also ask a pharmacist for treatment advice.
* Caregivers are encouraged to seek treatment advice.
* Notifiable disease. Public health service may provide support.

-  Notifiable disease. Public health service will be notified and will manage and support people with this disease.
 Vaccine-preventable and/or on national immunisation schedule. Talk to your healthcare provider to find out more about immunisation.
 During pregnancy, seek advice from your healthcare provider or GP regarding any risks to your unborn child (baby) if you get the illness and whether there are any vaccinations you can get to protect your unborn child.
 Do not go swimming in a pool if you have diarrhoea (runny poo). You need to wait until it has been at least 2 weeks since the last time you had diarrhoea.

For further information on these and other infectious diseases, scan this QR code, visit kdsb.health.govt.nz or call Healthline on 0800 811 116.

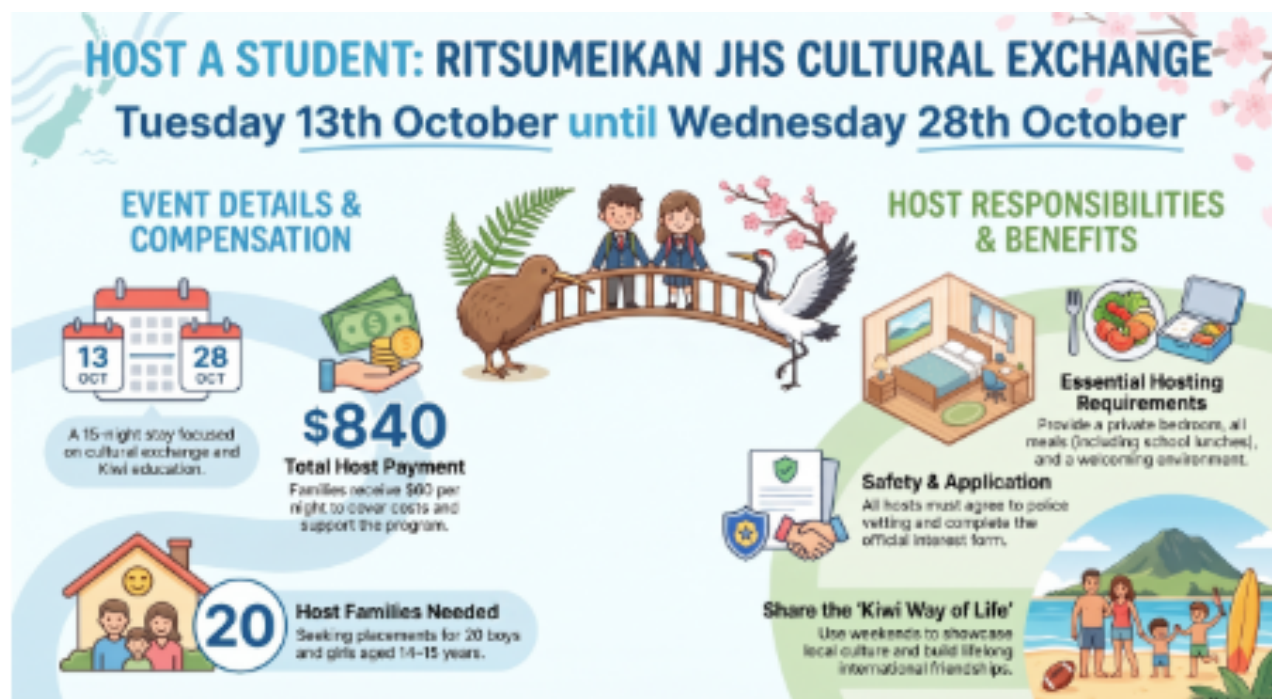


To find the contact details for your local public health service, scan this QR code or visit kdsb.health.govt.nz



SCHOOL INFORMATION

RITSUMEIKAN JHS CULTURAL EXCHANGE



The infographic is titled "HOST A STUDENT: RITSUMEIKAN JHS CULTURAL EXCHANGE" and specifies the dates "Tuesday 13th October until Wednesday 28th October". It features a central illustration of a Japanese torii gate with a kiwi bird on the left and a crane on the right, with two children standing between them. The background includes a map of Japan and cherry blossoms. The infographic is divided into several sections: "EVENT DETAILS & COMPENSATION" on the left, "HOST RESPONSIBILITIES & BENEFITS" on the right, and "Host Families Needed" at the bottom left. The "EVENT DETAILS & COMPENSATION" section includes a calendar icon showing the dates 13 OCT to 28 OCT, a description of the 15-night stay, and a large "\$840" figure representing the total host payment. The "HOST RESPONSIBILITIES & BENEFITS" section includes icons for a bedroom, food, and a safety document, with sub-sections for "Essential Hosting Requirements", "Safety & Application", and "Share the 'Kiwi Way of Life'". The "Host Families Needed" section features a house icon and a large "20" indicating the number of families needed.

HOST A STUDENT: RITSUMEIKAN JHS CULTURAL EXCHANGE

Tuesday 13th October until Wednesday 28th October

EVENT DETAILS & COMPENSATION

13 OCT to 28 OCT

A 15-night stay focused on cultural exchange and Kiwi education.

\$840

Total Host Payment
Families receive \$80 per night to cover costs and support the program.

HOST RESPONSIBILITIES & BENEFITS

Essential Hosting Requirements

Provide a private bedroom, all meals (including school lunches), and a welcoming environment.

Safety & Application

All hosts must agree to police vetting and complete the official interest form.

Share the 'Kiwi Way of Life'

Use weekends to showcase local culture and build lifelong international friendships.

Host Families Needed

20

Seeking placements for 20 boys and girls aged 14-15 years.

Interested? Please fill in this [form](#)

SCHOOL INFORMATION

YUMMY STICKERS

COLLECT YUMMY STICKERS CAN HELP EARN MMI FREE SPORTS GEAR !!

A SHARE OF \$200,000 FREE SPORTS GEAR
AVAILABLE TO EVERY PRIMARY AND INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL
IN NEW ZEALAND'S NORTH ISLAND.

MMI received \$700 worth of gear in 2025 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 label 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'nSAVE 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!

PSG

DONUT DAY

DONUT DAY

THURS 27 AUGUST



RAISING FUNDS
FOR THE MMI
PSG

\$2.50

PRE-ORDERS ONLY - CASH OR VIA KINDO

- ORDER ON THE KINDO APP BY TUES 25TH AUG
- OR
- PLEASE BRING CASH TO GIVE TO YOUR CLASS TEACHER ON TUES 25TH AUG



SCHOOL INFORMATION

KIDS CAN - MUFTI DAY

MMI Mufti Day



On Thursday, August 6th, Mount Maunganui Intermediate hosted a mufti day for KidsCan, an organisation that helps Kiwi kids with food, warm clothes and school supplies.

MMI was full of energy, colour and awesome outfits! Together, we raised over \$660 to help KidsCan continue their great work. A big thank you to everyone who contributed—every coin counts!

Have a wonderful weekend,
Phoebe and Agnes-Rose

Why this day was important

The money raised will go directly toward providing hot meals, waterproof jackets and essential learning items for students who need them most. Seeing our school family rally together to make a real difference for other kids is something we can all be proud of.



SPORTS



AIMS

Countdown to AIMS 2026  Only 16 Days to Go!

The excitement is building as the countdown to the **2026 Zespri AIMS Games** officially hits **16 days!** From 5-11 September, our athletes will join over 14,000 Intermediate students in Tauranga for an unforgettable week of competition, teamwork, and fun.

With tournament week fast approaching, here is how our athletes and whanau can make sure they are 100% prepared to hit the ground running:



FINAL TRAINING

- **Training:** Be ready, be prepared, use the time let to learn and practice.
- **Keep Healthy:** There is a lot of sickness around - pace yourself
- **Gear Check:** Try on playing uniforms, tracksuits, and sports shoes today to ensure everything fits comfortably. Don't forget to pack a named, reusable water bottle and warm layers for downtime between games.
- **Waivers & Consent:** Please double-check that all online student waivers and medical details have been completed. **No waiver = No play!**
- **Rest & Recovery:** Training load is peaking! Focus on good sleep habits, staying hydrated, and eating nutritious meals to avoid pre-tournament fatigue.
- **Stay Informed:** Keep an eye on our team communication channels (such as **Heja app**) for final schedule updates, venue details, and transport timetables. Make sure you stay in touch with the TIC of your code.
- **Opening Ceremony:** All students from the sporting codes will be issued with an opening ceremony ticket for the evening show (The **Green** team will attend the earlier show).

We are so proud of the dedication our students have shown in their training over the past term. let's bring the energy, demonstrate fantastic sportsmanship, and represent our school with pride!

SPORTS

S11 CROSS COUNTRY

The recent Super 11 Cross Country event at Waipuna Park was a resounding success, bringing together students, coaches and supporters for an unforgettable day of athletic accomplishment and camaraderie.

We could not have asked for better conditions. Under BOP clear blue skies, competitors took to the course, displaying incredible determination, endurance and sportsmanship. The athletic talent on display was outstanding, but even more impressive was the supportive energy surrounding the event, with spectators cheering on runners from every school.

Events of this scale rely heavily on the dedication of our wider school community. Sincere thanks go out to all participating schools, sports coordinators, coaches, Malcolm and his team and family supporters whose hard work and enthusiasm made the day run so smoothly.

Congratulations to all the athletes who pushed their limits and represented their schools with pride. We wish every team the very best for the remainder of the school term and look forward to another great showing at the next sporting event!

MMI Team: Brooke Riini, Everley Read, Jessica Dove, Agnes-Rose Taylor, Alyssa Wilson, Leah Botha, Arlo Anderson, Daniel Eardley, Luka Jonnart, Telio Fromont, Patch Mclean, Finn Renwick, George Morse, Cove Dickens and Arlo Dohnt.

Individual Results

Division	1st Place	2nd Place	3rd Place
Year 7 Girls	Olive Shaw (Tauranga)	Jessica Dove (MMI)	Brooke Rini (MMI)
Year 7 Boys	Ryan Parton (TPI)	Wilson Lockwood (TPI)	Noah Cameron (TPI)
Year 8 Girls	Paige Veal (TIS)	Sasha Isaac (TPI)	Riley Miskell (Whakatane)
Year 8 Boys	Nikau Leach (Gisborne)	Arlo Dohnt (MMI)	Ben Pridham (Taupo)

Team Results

Division	1st Place	2nd Place	3rd Place
Year 7 Girls	TIS	MMI	Otumoetai
Year 7 Boys	Te Puke	TIS	Otumoetai
Year 8 Girls	MMI	Otumoetai	Te Puke
Year 8 Boys	TIS	Otumoetai	MMI
Overall	Tauranga (96 pts)	Otumoetai (118 pts)	MMI (126 pts)



SPORTS

PRE AIMS FUTSAL DAY

Cliff at WAIBoP organised a fantastic day of Futsal in preparation for AIMS games next month. We took our Boys and Girls AIMS Futsal teams to gain more game experience after training together for the last couple of months. The scores weren't recorded and there were no finals so it was great for the students to just have a day where they could try as hard as they could and to give them an indication on what they need to keep working on.

It was great to see how much they have developed as a team and in their own confidence. The girls were not afraid to step up as goalie, with some amazing shots blocked. The boys teams set up goal after goal and not many got past James. Nobody was playing their own game - they worked as a team the whole time. There were a mixture of abilities from the teams - with some games being close matches, while other being the opposite.

Both teams represented our school with pride and integrity - they worked together as a team and they stayed together as a group of mates off the court. I could not be more proud of them.

Thanks to the parents and supporters, and of course our awesome coaches and managers.

Bring on AIMS.



Girls: Kaia Whittaker, Sadie Friedlieb, Vita Sowter, McKenzie Boss, Ailey Kim, Malia Harris, Tabitha Wickham, Isla Blackwell, Bennah Smith (Absent: Neve Stubbing)



Boys: Jimmy Dinneen, Aston Gower, Cadan Brown, Lucas Sanchez, George Lorentsson, James Rosendaal, Jacques Ranjard, Patrick Blair, Lucas Day (Absent: Will Martin).

SPORTS

BOP TABLE TENNIS TOURNAMENT

Last Friday 14th August, the Table Tennis team competed in the Bay of Plenty Table Tennis Tournament. There were many local schools competing and preparing for AIMS.

We entered 6 boys teams and 2 girls teams. The day consisted of 3 singles matches and 2 doubles in each pool. Competition was fierce but our players were calm and skilful. MMI had the best result for the competition we have had for years!! We came away with Silver for the Pink in 1st Div and Gold for the Girls Green Team in 2nd Div. Boys Green Team Gold in 1st Div and Yellow won Gold in 2nd Div while Blue team received the Bronze. Boys Black won Gold and Bronze for the Orange Team in the 3rd Div. Fantastic results all around. Congratulations to all of our players for their sportsmanship and fair play throughout the day!



Boys Teams were;

Green – Grayson Jones, Daniel Eardley, Max Davies 🏆 In 1st Division

Yellow – Jimi Gordon, Milo Anderson, Ashton Ballantyne 🏆 In 2nd Division

Blue – Lucas Asher, Logan Payne, Pedro Maciel Prieto 🏆 In 2nd Division

Black – Kahrn Savage, Jimmy Henderson, William Sorenson 🏆 In 3rd Division

Orange – Lincoln Cameron-Parata, Taylor Jenkins, Ollie Rowan 🏆 In 3rd Division

Red – Oli Austen, Hugo Watson, Arlo Sheehan, Otis Burt

Girls Teams were;

Pink – Quinn Marshall, Seoyee Hong, Audrey Taylor 🏆 In 1st Division

Green – Annie Kim, Cady Hoogstraten, Leah Wills, Mackenzie Meihana 🏆 In 2nd Division

SPORTS

TE PUKE GYMSPORT FESTIVAL 2026



MMI gymnasts, Ada Kennedy, Moni Wilson and Eliška Mia Langova, had a fantastic day at the **Te Puke GymSport Festival 2026** last Friday.

They competed with enthusiasm, determination and skill. We are incredibly proud of their achievements across WAG, Tumbling and Trampoline.

In **Open Junior WAG (Step 4)**, Eliska was placed **2nd**, Ada **3rd**, and Moni **4th**. In **Open Junior Tumble**, Moni achieved **2nd** and Ada **4th**, while in **Open Junior Trampoline**, Ada placed **3rd** and Moni **4th**.

A huge congratulations to all of our gymnasts for representing the school so proudly!

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