30 October 2026

Pānui

MMI Newsletter No. 17

MOUNT MAUNGANUI INTERMEDIATE

COMING EVENTS

NOVEMBER

6	MAP Testing - MMC
11	Ra Whakangahau at MMI
11-13	Super 11 Battle of the Bays - Gisborne
13	Orientation visit - contributing schools
17	Moturiki Trip - Sapphire Springs
19	Super 11 Girls Cricket - Fergusson Park
19	Karewa Trip - Rotorua
20	WBOP Touch
26	Rangiwaea Trip - Buried Village/Aquatic
27	Super 11 Athletics - Tauranga

DECEMBER

1	BOT Meeting
1	Karewa EOY Trip - Pilot Bay
2	Matakana EOY Trip
4	Motiti/Tuhua EOY Trip
10	Year 8 Formal
11	Prizegiving
15	Last day of Term 4

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MMI COASTAL VALUES

AKO — MMI students are active learners

MANAAKI — MMI students show aroha, respect and mana

PONO — MMI students act with integrity, pride and honesty

TUAKIRI — MMI students know their identity

Term 4 Week 3

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Sports Awards

These are now online on our web page or click on links below -

Farrell sports Trophy 2026

For students who have achieved at an exceptional level in a single sport, nationally or internationally - school-based or otherwise

Top individual MMI sports Award 2026

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FROM THE PRINCIPAL

A special thank you to our community for supporting us with our **Teacher Only Day** today. Our teachers spent a very valuable day unpacking and becoming familiar with the new science and social science curriculum. There are big changes and a lot of hard work ahead for our teachers as we navigate this new curriculum, and we truly appreciate your support in giving us this dedicated time to prepare.



Melissa Nelson
Principal



Getting Track-Ready: Athletic Sports Soon

Summer is nearly here, and that means athletic sports are just around the corner! Students are currently practicing their events in class. **Whānau are warmly welcome to come along to school to support and cheer on our students on the day**—Year 8s are on the 3 November and Year 7s on the 4th.

Kapa Haka Nationals: Te Waka Pererua

We want to send our absolute best wishes and good luck to our **Kapa Haka Rōpū,** who are competing at **Waka Pererua next weekend** at Mercury Arena. There has been an immense amount of preparation and a huge commitment from both the students and staff involved. We know you will do us proud on stage, and we can't wait to celebrate your hard work.

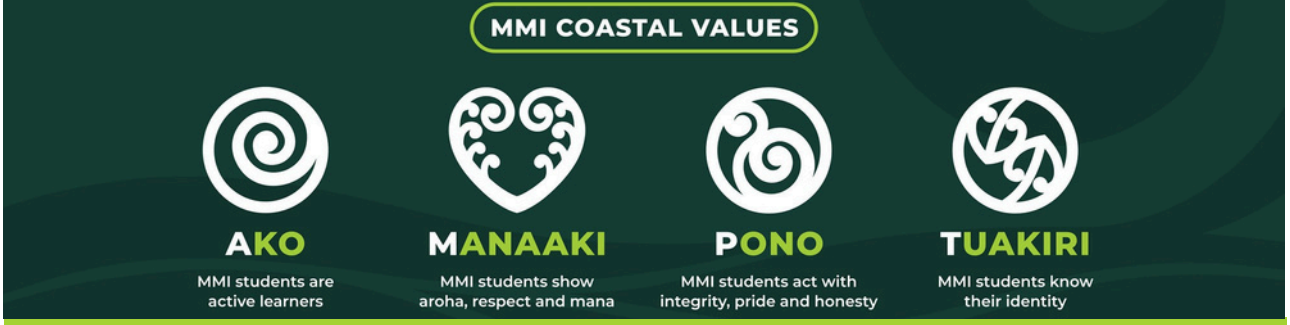
Term 4 Focus: Keeping the Foot to the Floor

As we move further into Term 4, it is easy for everyone to start looking ahead to the summer break, but we want to remind our students to **keep the foot to the floor with their learning right until the very end of the year.** Every single day counts. Teachers are working hard to cover a content heavy curriculum and will be planning engaging and important learning right until the end of the term.

Remember; we have high expectations around **behaviour and the way we conduct ourselves at school.** We ask that our whānau continue to support us at home by encouraging your children to consistently follow our coastal values, take responsibility for their choices, and stay focused on their learning goals. Teachers are working closely with **Mount Maunganui College around transition.** Interviews will be held with college staff and our teachers in the coming weeks, to discuss each child so that the college can construct their classes. Year 8s have had a visit from the college to give them lots of information and dispel any anxieties about the move. If you feel that your child is particularly anxious or worried about moving to college, please reach out to their teacher who can arrange some extra support through the transition process.

Have a great weekend, whānau!

Whaea Melissa



COASTAL VALUE CERTIFICATES 2026 Term 4 – Week 2/3

1	Bella, Piper, Roxy, Everley & Polly	For all being a great support buddy to our International student. You have all been fabulous. Ka rawe!
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3	Eli Tanoi	For being mature, responsible and a great role model to other students. It is good to see your focus and engagement during Inquiry lessons.
4	Matilda Eggmann	For consistently engaging in the culture of our classroom, showing resilience and commitment to your learning. You should be very proud of yourself.
5	Ganesh Namala	You have been giving your all in every lesson, pushing yourself to achieve the highest standard of work. You have been listening to feedback and i am seeing you put it into action. Thank you for your joyful morning chats, they are most enjoyable!.
6	Finn McAllister	For making a positive start back to school this term! You are always focused and ready to learn! Ka Rawe!
7	Freya Mulrooney	For displaying the Coastal Value, Manaaki, within the classroom. It is wonderful to see your lovely smile every day. Ka Rawe!
8	Viggo Geldenhuys	Viggo, your maturity in taking on feedback and your dedication to working hard are truly commendable. Your humor brings so much joy to Room 8, we are incredibly fortunate to have you in our class this year!
9	Blake Li'Wagener	Blake, you have worked so hard this week at applying yourself during maths. Keep up the hard work, ka rawe!
10	Rylee Willoughby	For your enthusiasm! You bring fun and positive energy to our class, helping us kick off the term on a great note. Ka rawe, Rylee!
11	Max Davies	For being a role model citizen of Whānau 11, Matakana and MMI. Your AMPT values are clear and admirable.
12	Roczen Till	For great mahi with our class debates, including some excellent rebuttals. Very proud of how you helped your team!
13	Lea Markarian	For your consistent commitment to learning. You are such an inspiration to others, and a wonderful role model! Ka mau te wehi!
14	Nico Delany	For being focused on your learning and approaching it with a positive attitude! I am very proud of you!

1	Piper Travis	For developing resilience through every challenges. Keep being the positive and caring class member you are to all.
2	Zander Dunn	For improved focus during learning time. You have been awesome at showing the coastal values. Keep up the great work!
3	Olivia Puterangi	For showing remarkable strength and resilience through every challenge, while remaining kind, positive, and a joy to be around.
4	Elliot Read Masters	For demonstrating impressive perseverance in testing, persisting through setbacks and refining approaches to achieve reliable results. Ka Rawe!
5	Lukas Fisher	For the positivity and enthusiasm you bring to our classroom. You have been giving 100 percent, asking questions and seeking to succeed. You've been trying your hardest through testing and keeping a positive attitude at all times.
6	JJ Crosby-Fagan	For consistently showing the coastal value of Manaaki. You are always a kind and respectful member of Whānau 6! Ka Rawe
7	Daniel Eardley	For demonstrating the Coastal Value, Ako, by completing tasks and tests to a high standard. You are an incredible role model in Whānau 7!
8		
9	Nathan Robertson	For having a positive attitude towards your learning and tackling every challenge head-on! I've been super impressed with the effort and enthusiasm you've shown.
10	Readon John	For demonstrating Ako by applying yourself to your mahi and consistently completing tasks to a high standard. You stay focused, work independently and avoid distractions.
11	Sadie Friedlieb	For taking on leadership opportunities with bravery and prowess. Kei te whakahīhī au ki a koe!
12	Mackenzie Meihana	For having such a great attitude to your learning and always having such care for our classroom environment. Ka rawe!
13	Millie Fraser	For your positive attitude at school this week. You have locked in and tried really hard with your assessments. Very proud of you!
14	Beau Miller	For your focus and dedication to your end of year assessments! It is great seeing you be your best self :)

COASTAL VALUE CERTIFICATES 2026 Term 4 – Week 2/3

15	Ari Vincent	For showing improved focus, effort and engagement in learning. Keep making positive choices and showing your potential. So proud!
16	Kubi Heller	For your our wonderful focus on learning and active participation in all areas of school. You should be so proud—keep it up!
17	Joseph Quinn	For your enthusiasm, participation and positive attitude. You have been working very hard lately and always keep us on our toes with your thoughtful questions and curiosity. You are a gem!
18	Lochlan Cassidy	For having an outstanding term so far. You have been exceptionally focused, achieving great results with your mahi, and acting as a wonderful buddy to our Japanese student.
20	Nadia Van der Nagel	For being the calm in the storm this week. You are such a great role model to your classmates.
21	Maia Thurman	For staying focused on your learning and being a wonderful tuakana-teina, supporting others in our class this week.
24	Lyla Havard	For a wonderful start to Term 4. You consistently demonstrates our AMPT values. He whetū koe!
25	Fred Bassett-Smith	A great start to the term Fred. You have shown focus and a desire to succeed. Kei runga noa atu koe!
27	Kanea Narawa	For showing ako and pono in her writing, persevering and striving for excellence. Ka mau te wehi, Kanea!
28		
Digi Tech	Nylah de Hoog Room 2	For being an active listener and focused on your learning. You show persistence and care when completing your tasks.
Science	Bea Cavanagh Whānau 17	I love your enthusiasm, focus and preparation in Science. You consistently engage in learning and conduct experiments confidently and carefully.
Food Tech	Eloah Pessoa Room 20	For outstanding preparation and presentation of your couscous, halloumi salad and flatbread. Well done!
Music	Grae Illingworth Whānau 3	For your commitment and focus during digital music composition. It was clear you were creating something that truly inspired you.
Visual Arts	Lauren Vane Room 10	You demonstrated a positive, conscientious attitude this cycle and mastered pastel blending to create a fantastic abstract design, well done!
Hard Materials		

15	Isla Clist	For consistently being a positive role model to others and for your awesome progress in learning, down to your effort and attitude!
16	Ashton Finnis	For improved focus during learning time and classroom assessments. It is great seeing you make fantastic choices, keep it up!
17	Sebastian Farrar	For your engagement, intelligence and great sense of humour. You bring enthusiasm to your learning, ask thoughtful questions and always know how to make us smile. Keep being your awesome self!
18	Nami Marsden	For having such a great attitude to your learning and extra curriculars. Keep being the positive and caring class member you are to all.
20	Judge Wharakura	For locking in with your learning and trying your best in everything we've been doing in class. You are such an awesome part of whānau 20.
21	Oliver James	For showing resilience through every challenge, helping out in the class, and always keeping a positive, upbeat spirit!
24	Jonna Heinrichs	For settling so well into a new school and country! You are showing great initiative and resilience. We are very glad to have you join us.
25	Okiwa Jibril	I appreciate your calm, thoughtful and caring manner. I also recognise the excellence you have shown in Maths. Ka rawe!
27	Denzel Wattie	For consistently leading waiata and haka with strength and mana. Ka mau te wehi, Denzel!
28	Uenuku Wharekura	I tū rangatira koe i āu na mahi Kapa Haka. Tangata koe!
Digi Tech	Emily Mahon Room 25	For your thoughtful contributions to your Digi lessons. You show persistence and apply thinking strategies to help with your learning.
Science	McKenzie Boss Whānau 18	I really appreciate how much you have improved your focus in Science, along with your kindness and willingness to help others.
Food Tech	Alex Andrade Whānau 20	For your enthusiasm and outstanding focus! You have worked hard to lock onto your learning goals, channel your energy, and make every practical lesson count.
Music	Oli Townsend-Hill Whānau 6	For maintaining a high level of engagement and focus, and for your consistent positive contributions in Music Specialist. Kā Rawe
Visual Arts		
Hard Materials	Tilly Eggmann Room 4	For showing creativity in their work and consistently demonstrating Coastal Values

SCHOOL INFORMATION

POLICY REVIEWS

Mount Maunganui Intermediate Policy Reviews: Have Your Say

Mount Maunganui Intermediate uses **SchoolDocs** to manage our school policies and procedures, tailored specifically for MMI and aligned with Ministry of Education guidelines. Parent and whānau feedback is an essential part of our review process.

Policies up for review this term: Curriculum and Student Achievement Policy

- Reporting about Student Progress and Achievement
- Learning Support
- Māori Educational Achievement
- Religious Instruction * / Religious Observances
- Health Curriculum
- Privacy Policy

How to access and submit feedback: Learn more on our school website at https://mtint.school.nz/mmi-policies-and-procedures/, or head directly to SchoolDocs:

- **SchoolDocs Site:** https://mtint.schooldocs.co.nz
- **Username:** mtint
- **Password:** respect



SCHOOL INFORMATION

YEAR 8 FORMAL



SPORTS

SURF LIFESAVING

We wanted to share some fantastic news about a group of our students who recently represented Pāpāmoa Surf Lifesaving Club at the Aon National Pool Rescue Championships in Auckland.

The championships brought together the country's top pool rescue athletes, and our club enjoyed on of its strongest results in the combined Junior and Senior standings.

Collectively, Pāpāmoa Surf Life Saving athletes claimed 21 National titles and 28 podium finishes across junior and senior competition, contributing to one of the club's strongest-ever championship results.

The following students from **Mount Maunganui Intermediate** were part of our National championship team:

- **Ethan Botha** - Won four individual National Championship gold medals in the U12 Men's 50m Brick Carry, 50m Medley Brick, 50m Obstacles and 50m Fins events. Ethan also won two team National Championship gold medals as a member of the U12 Mixed Medley Relay and U12 Male Patient Tow teams, along with silver in the U12 Male Brick Relay and bronze in the U12 Male Obstacles Relay, finishing the championship with eight medals, including six gold medals.
- **Danielle Seagar** - Won two National Championship gold medals as a member of the U12 Mixed Medley Relay and U12 Female Obstacles Relay teams, and also won silver in the U12 Female Brick Relay.
- **Blake Li'Wagner** - Won a National Championship gold medal as a member of the U14 Male Obstacles Relay team.
- **Harry Burgess** - Silver medalist in the U12 Male Brick Relay and U12 Male Medley Relay.

These results reflect months of dedication, training and teamwork, and we are incredibly proud of the way these young athletes represented the club and our school on the national stage.

To learn more about the event and the roles these students played in the club's success, you can read the full article on our website: **https://papamoalifeguards.co.nz/latest-news/a-strong-finish-to-pool-rescue-season-at-nationals**

SPORTS

NZ NATIONAL MOUNTAIN BIKE CHAMPIONSHIP

In the school holidays MMI students Blake Sarich, Finn Renwick, Joren Bosher, Levi Sach, Neva Booker-Nash, and Riley Reed competed in one of the biggest mountain biking events of the year, the NZ National Mountain Bike Champs.

This event brought the best riders in NZ to compete in Tauranga and Rotorua in Cross Country (XCO and XCC), Enduro and Downhill. The team achieved great results over the week. Congratulations to Neva who managed to achieve a podium 2nd in the U13 girls downhill.











SPORTS

SUPER 11 BATTLE OF THE BAYS

REGISTRATIONS OF INTEREST

We’re still looking for our budding surf lifesavers and triathletes to register their interest in attending the Super 11 Battle of the Bays in Gisborne this November.

If your child is interested in taking part, please complete the registration of interest form below.

We’d love to hear from you.

Battle of the Bays Registration of Interest 2026

SPORTS

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Sport Bay of Plenty

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YOUNG FEMALE ATHLETE HEALTH CONSIDERATIONS

An evening for athletes, parents, coaches, and anyone who works with teen female athletes.

Come and hear first hand from a Sports Medicine Doctor about the unique challenges and considerations for keeping teen female athletes healthy and thriving in sport.

Sport Bay of Plenty invites parents, athletes and coaches to an evening focused on supporting young women through their adolescent years in sport. Delivered by Dr Tanya Keough, the evening will unpack the physical and nutritional considerations for athletes navigating puberty and explore how changes in adolescence can influence a young female's experience in sport. With an emphasis on education and empowerment, Dr Keough will share practical insights to help parents, coaches and athletes better understand the female body during this critical stage. The evening will reinforce the importance of putting health before performance, with the goal of keeping more girls active, confident, and engaged in sport for longer.

NOV 4

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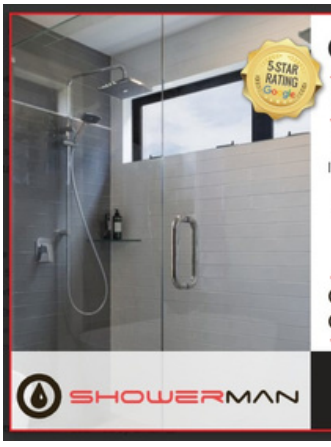
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SPORTING OPPORTUNITIES








TAURANGA ARCHERS

Tauranga Archers Schools Archery Program 2026

$130 for Six, 1.5 hour archery lessons with all equipement provided.

Class Times Term 3 2026

Wednesday : 3:45 to 5:15pm
Saturday : 9am to 10:30am
Saturday : 10.30 to 12pm

Tauranga archers is offering lessons for year 7 to 13 students (11yrs+) at Graham Park. This will be a **weekly lesson run over six weeks where students will learn the basic safety and techniques for shooting a recurve bow.**

We are Happy to have re-signups for those who have already attended a course.

Students will also get the opportunity to compete with other schools around the country through the **Intermediate and Secondary School Shoot Programme**, run by Archery New Zealand (ANZ). https://www.archery.org.nz/school-and-tertiary-archery/school-shoot-programme/

We would be happy to answer any questions for interested students, or any questions you may have.

Here is a sign up form for those who would like to join
https://www.taurangaarchers.com/schools-archery

Please sign up, then when we have full classes we will get back to you regarding Course Start times.

You can park and walk down from 79 Ridgecumbe Road, or come via the car park from SH2 Takitimu/Waihi Rd off ramp, southbound only.









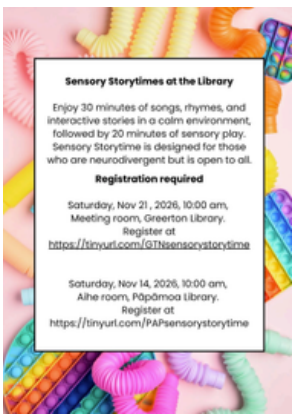
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USEFUL INFORMATION

TERM DATES

Term 1 – 2 February to 2 April
Term 2 – 20 April to 3 July
Term 3 – 20 July to 25 September
Term 4 – 12 October to 15 December

MEDICATION

If your child has a severe medical condition or needs to take 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, 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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