



# The Pukeko Call



Learning for the Future. Akoranga wa hou.

**Every child succeeding in an encouraging and stimulating learning environment.**

Tena Koutou

### Bright Day

Our children looked terrific last Friday on our travel wise BRIGHT day. The children had a great day and the messages of road safety were certainly understood by most.

### Turf Opening

Unfortunately the weather did not play ball last week and we have had to delay our opening until this Friday. We will not be holding the Tabloids as the majority of our senior school will be at Rippa Rugby until 1pm.

We will however hold the opening, Board v PTA netball game, and sausage sizzle all starting at 2pm. We welcome you all along and encourage you to dress in bright clothes and donate to our Brake fund. Please also bring your own refreshments and enjoy the company of other parents after the event.

### Mahurangi Community of Learners.

This week I will be involved in the appointment of the Executive Principal for the Mahurangi Community of Learners. This is part of the Government's Investing in Education Success policy.

Seven local schools who are all contributing schools to Mahurangi College and the College are coming together to collaborate and improve outcomes for all of the children in the Mahurangi Area.

This is a very important change to the way education is administered and it is important for people to be informed about the changes. I will be ensuring that regular information on the Mahurangi CoL is made available to you.

### Working Bee

Our working bee will be held this Sunday starting at 9am. Look forward to getting together with everybody and making some progress on the list sent home last week. Please ring Craig Powell if you can assist with materials.

Thank you all for your continued support of our school, my door is always open so please do not hesitate to come and see me if you have anything you wish to discuss.

Nga mihi nui

Gary O'Brien

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## Term 2 2017 Dates:

May 8th - 12th. - Road Safety Week.

May 19th. Fri. - Rippa Rugby Tournament.

May 19th. Fri. 2pm - Turf Opening.

May 21st. Sunday. - Working Bee.

May 25th. Thurs. 7pm - Board Meeting - Cottage.

May 26th. Fri. 2.30pm - Kea Assembly.

May 28th. June 2nd.- Book Week.

May 31st. - Book Week Open Day.

June 2nd.- Book Week Parade.

June 5th. Mon. - Queens Birthday Public Holiday.

June 9th. - Tui Assembly

June 23rd. Fri. - Piwakawaka Assembly.

June 29th. Thurs. 7pm - Board Meeting - Cottage.

July 7th Fri. - Takahe Assembly

July 7th Fri. Term two ends.

## Turf Opening Celebration. (Take two)

Our Postponed Turf opening day will be held this Friday. This is the culmination of a lot of hard work by a lot of people and it seems fitting that we mark the occasion and celebrate our wonderful community effort.

- At 2pm we will have a short opening ceremony on the court with everyone on the court itself.
- This will be followed by a Board v PTA game of Netball. Donna Wech is the Captain Coach of the Board Team and Philippa Wech has handed over the reigns to our new PTA Chair Clare Dill who is now organising the PTA team. Contact Donna or Clare to sign up. (The teams are mixed teams.)
- The official programme will end at 3pm but we invite you to bring a blanket and a chilli bin, provide your own refreshments and mix and mingle. There will be a free sausage sizzle for the children who stay on after 3pm with their families
- Last Friday, as a school, we supported the BRAKE Trust who support those families who have been affected by car accidents. All children were asked to dress up in bright clothes and donate a gold coin, they did a fantastic job and we all had an exciting day, the children want to dress up again this week (They do not have to donate another gold coin). We invite all parents to join us and dress up for the opening, particularly if you are lucky enough to have been selected in one of the netball teams, we also invite you to donate a gold coin.



## Working Bee!

**This Sunday 21st May.**

**Please put this date aside if you can.**

**9.00am start!**



## School and Community Notices



### **Mahurangi Community Sport and Recreation**

We are holding a free event this Friday 19th May at the Warkworth Showgrounds complex to celebrate recent upgrades to the complex and to finally officially turn on the LED floodlights that have been installed to light up all playing fields.

We are making it a "have-a-go" afternoon with 17 different sporting and recreational activities being showcased, followed by some competition and exhibition matches from 6pm.

The event starts at 4.30pm and the have-a-go activities will operate until 5.50pm at which time we will hold the official ceremony and turn the lights on. Following that there will be exhibition matches of rugby, football and hockey.

There will be free sausages and Mr Whippy for the first 100 participants who get a clicker card at registration and compete 7 of the 14 events on the card - or head upstairs into the clubrooms for something more substantial - it will be a fun day for all ages.

Activity stations are as follows: Hockey, Rugby (rippa and tackle), Football, Skateboarding, Pony Rides, Cricket, Croquet, Athletics, Scouting, Balance bike race (bring your balance bike), mountain biking downhill run (byo bike if you have one), gym sports, tai chi, karate, basketball, netball, tennis and dog agility.

We are also looking for nominations of a local sportsperson (criteria apply - must be under 20 years old) to win the chance to sound the hooter to turn the lights on.

Check out our Facebook page [www.facebook.com/mahusport](http://www.facebook.com/mahusport) for more info and to nominate someone.

### **House Wanted to Rent**

We are a family of 4 looking for a long term rental property in the KF area. We would like our eldest to start school at Kaipara Flats. We are very clean, tidy and proactive tenants with excellent references. If you know of any properties please contact Kimberley on 021 606252. Thanks.



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