

MAUNGATAPERE SCHOOL



Term 2
25 June 2020

Ka whawhai tonu, ake, ake, ake!

Kia ora Parents and Whanau

Next week is the last week of what has been a very different term for all of us, as we have worked down through the levels of COVID lockdown. As we get back in groups, colds are beginning to reappear and we have had a high number of students off in the last week with colds. We appreciate the support of parents in keeping students at home if they are sick. The recommendation being given by the health line is to test if you have symptoms and not return until the results are received – generally within 48 hours. If students/siblings are not displaying symptoms they are able to be at school. We acknowledge it is a difficult one to manage. Hopefully the term break will help everyone return to health.

Welcome to Kyle Smith and family who have started over the last fortnight.

SCHOOL LIFE IN THE 1940S

We wanted to share with our community an email received from a past pupil about his memories of school life. We have shared this with our students and hope some of them will reply with what it is like today.

Maungatapere School

I attended Maungatapere Primary School in the mid 1940's while my father was stationed at the Electrical substation. Now 86 years of age I still have great memories of those days when it was a two classroom building with Mr Russell Butler as head master and teaching Standards 3 to 6 while Mrs Burchell taught the lower classes, about 60 pupils in all.

A few highlights from those times:

When my younger brother David, and close mates Neil and Douglas Stevens all came to school on the back of Bonnie, their massive old Shire draft horse. It was common place then for some pupils to ride horses to school and a paddock was provided for them. Bonnie the horse was used to haul a scoop to dig much of the first swimming pool the school had, an unfiltered pool that was emptied every week or so and re filled as there was no filtering system!

Mr Butler held a Master of Arts degree with honors in mathematics and he tended to over teach this subject at the expense of other subjects but not to any real disadvantage, sitting Standards 3,4,5 and 6 in separate rows and giving each row a lesson to carry on with before moving on to the next did tend to distract and/or allow younger pupils to learn ahead of the pack so by the time I went to Form 1 at Whangarei Boys High school I found myself well ahead in maths and geometry but behind in history and geography but it all soon evened out.

Sport was to the fore then to the extent that we had one rugby ball, one netball, one cricket bat and a few tennis balls as our gear. We boys played rugby, five a side as that was all the number that we could muster but we had one boy in Standard six, Henry Maxwell, a huge lad, almost of Jonah Lomu proportions who later became an international Rugby League star playing for New Zealand.

Henry once played on his own against the rest and I have memories of him ploughing down the field with the ball under his arm while ten or more kids clambered on his back and clung to his arms and legs like leeches but he was unstoppable! Someone inevitably got hurt so Mr Butler suggested that we should play a lesser contact game so we reverted to hockey using bent end Manuka saplings and a tennis ball. Playing soccer was not an option as the girls wouldn't allow us to use

their netball! Rounders, French Cricket, and Hopscotch filled in the rest of the play time.

There was a big fruitful Louquat tree over the school back boundary at the rear of the Memorial Church that used to be laden with fruit in season. We were forbidden to go out of bounds during the day so many took that route home so that they got their fill.

I was at the school when World War Two in Europe ended, we were all seated at our desks waiting the arrival of Mr Butler who always used to listen to the BBC short wave radio news headlines at 9am before coming from his home next door. We were all sitting there, quiet as mice when the headmaster burst in to say to the class monitor Jack Rowland, "put up the flag Jack, ring the bell, the war is over so you can all go home for the day". Off I rushed expecting to be able to tell my father the news only to arrive breathless and to find the Substation staff already toasting the event. I arrived at the school too late to experience the American troop training camp established on Hailes farm between the Church and the village Hall. Rides in army vehicles etc, every child had a story!

Oh to be back in those carefree days again

Bob Jenkins

AGRICULTURE DAY

A reminder about our school assembly next Wednesday 1 July 9am in the hall to share knowledge on rearing, caring and training animals. Parents/whanau are welcome to attend this session also. Further information will be coming out to the community after the assembly.

PIZZA DAY

On the last Friday of term – 3 July – Y5/6 classes will be holding a pizza day. Students are able to buy pizza for lunch at \$2 per slice. Pizzas are cut into 6, not the usual 8 slices. Information will be sent out next week regarding ordering. Money raised goes toward the Y5/6 EOTC camp at Lonsdale Park next year.

SCHOOL NETBALL

Intermediate netball starts this Saturday. The first 2 Saturdays are grading and then next term teams will be notified if they are playing on Monday night or Saturday. We have managed to have 2 teams with some Kokopu School students joining us. Intermediate trainings are Tuesday/Thursday lunch times. Fees have been reduced to the following: Juniors \$27, Intermediates \$45. This includes a \$5 uniform fee. These need to be paid to the school by 24 July so we can then pay the Netball Association. Junior netball does not start until next term and teams etc will be advised over the next week. Thank you to those families that have let us know if they are no longer playing.

Nurturing confident, capable learners who strive to fly high.

SCHOOL COUNCIL ACTIVITIES

The school raised \$283 for child cancer with the Hero & Villains day last week.

Tuesday 30 June will be Pyjama Day for the whole school with a Teddy Bears picnic at lunch time for Year 1&2 students that want to participate. This is a gold coin donation day with the council giving the money raised to Starship Hospital.

SCHOOL AWARDS

Congratulations to the following pupils:

Abi Van Lune R4 - For settling back into school well and doing well with her writing.

Jake Silvester R14 - For being a great classmate and having a positive attitude towards new learning.

Ella Watts R11 - For her super effort to do lots of reading during lockdown.

Kobe Frost R5 - His home learning effort was outstanding!

Francesca Beattie R3 - For settling into class routines quickly and including others.

Eva-Grace Gemmell R13 - Consistent effort and output in all learning - including at home.

REMINDERS

Contact Details - If your contact details have changed eg you no longer have a land line, you have moved etc. Please advise the school office so we can update our information.

Parent survey - A reminder the survey set up by Dr Melinda Webber is on our school website and can be easily completed via the link if you have not done so. Senior students have completed this at school yesterday. It does ask some thoughtful questions about learning and school attitudes and aspirations.

https://auckland.au1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_8FWVPKvH0HmYKtb

Pool Keys - There is still a number of pool keys outstanding. We would appreciate these being returned to school asap.

Lost Property - There is still a large amount of clothing, swimming gear and shoes left in the lost property. We will display this in front of R1 and 2 at the end of term so please come in at any time during the day to check if you recognise anything.

School Donations and Tech fees due - You can pay online or at the office (no eftpos).

BOT Account Details - 12 3099 0836089 00

TERM 3 KEY ACTIVITIES INCLUDE

- Y7/8 science fair
- High school enrolments for Y8 students
- Cross-country
- Butterfly Creek visit
- Book fair in the library 10-16 September .

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Kiwi Squash Holiday programme - Mangakahia Squash club will be running a one day holiday programme for Primary aged children (Y1-8) on Wed 15 July. From 9am-3pm at the Mangakahia Sports Complex. Skill development, coaching and games to help learn the game of Squash. \$15 per child. For more info or to register contact Hayley 0212621674 [hay-leybethaylor@gmail.com](mailto:hayleybethaylor@gmail.com)

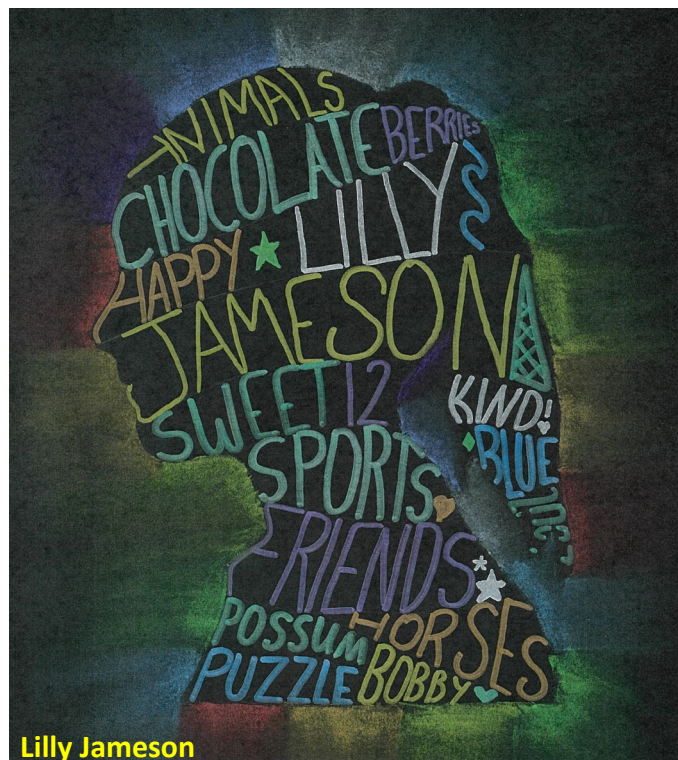
Educare School Holiday programme - running from 6 - 17 July for 5 - 13 year old children. Operating hours 8am - 5.30. Maunu and Hurapaki schools.

Wave Warriors School Holiday Programme - Tutukaka 16 - 18 July, 10am to 12.30pm. Beginner & intermediate programmes. Email surf@nzsurfacademy.co.nz

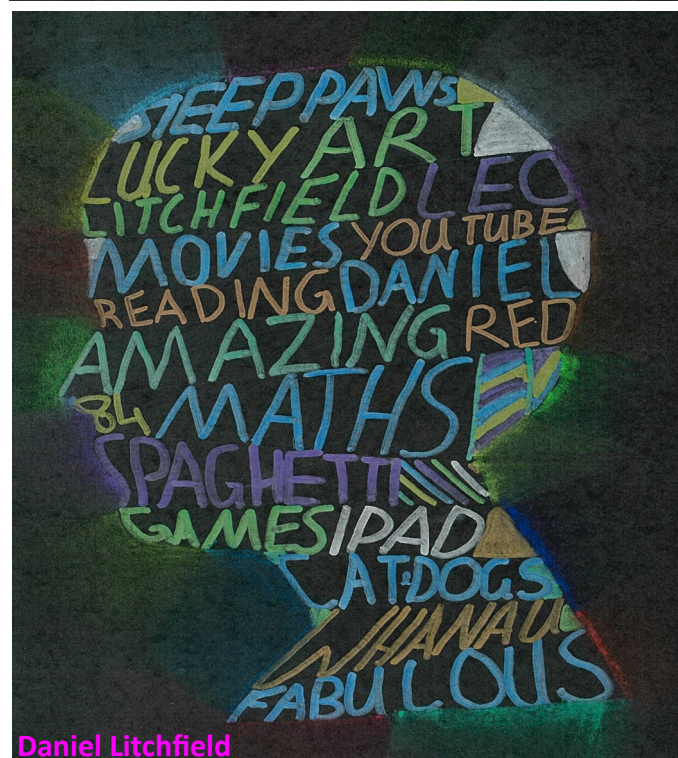
TERM CALENDAR

Tue 30 June	-	Pj Day + Teddy bear picnic
Wed 1 July	-	Ag Day assembly
Fri 3 July	-	Last day T2
Mon 20 July	-	First day T3
Fri 31 July	-	Reports Home
5/6 August	-	Parent conferences
Wed 12 Aug	-	Butterfly Creek visit
Wed 19 August	-	BOT Meeting
Wed 16 Sep	-	New School photo day

Rm 6 Self Portrait



Lilly Jameson



Daniel Litchfield

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