



Mauriceville School

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Week 10

4 April 22

Term 1

We are coming to the end of the term. The students are well settled and making great progress. They have been working hard in all their learning areas. Assessments have been completed and I am happy to discuss results with any parent.

With the end of term comes the end of my tenure at Mauriceville School. I have enjoyed my time in your beautiful school. The students are a delight and I have really loved teaching and learning with them. The school has a strong and highly skilled staff and it has been a pleasure to work with them. My thanks go to Liz Brown (BOT presiding member) and Liz Miller (LSM) who have been very supportive throughout my time here.

I am sure the staff and students all are looking forward to welcoming Kim back to this wonderful school.

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Debbie Marshall

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Parent Inserts

Order Form

Firewood For Sale

Macrocarpa

\$120/cubic metre

**Fundraiser for the Mauriceville School
and Community Hall**

**If you would like to buy a load or two please
contact**

Sandra Ph 3725646

What's coming up...

Friday 8 April
Designcraft

Thursday 14 April
End of Term 1

Monday 2 May
Term 2 Begins

Covid-19

As you are aware, yesterday we were notified of a positive Covid case amongst our school community.

Our school will continue to operate as normal and we continue to follow the Ministry of Health guidelines. Mask wearing is compulsory inside the school and on school transport for Year 4 and above, we ensure students are regularly hand sanitising and desks and other high touch surfaces are cleaned daily.

Please continue to monitor your children for symptoms and if they become unwell please keep them at home. You should have all received a supply of RATs by now. Please let us know if you would like some more as the Ministry have provided the school with a reasonable supply.

Today the new rules regarding vaccine passes come in to effect. This does not bring change to our school as we were not required to check passes previously. We would like to remind you that the country is still under RED on the traffic light system and therefore the following rules still apply around entering the school.

Please drop your children at the gate, we ask that you don't enter the school grounds.

EXCEPTIONS: new entrants and special needs children only can be brought to the deck and dropped there.

If you would like to meet with teachers please ring the office and make an appointment.

Social distancing, masks and signing in are required if parents/whanau are on site for meetings

Farewell and thank you

The Mauriceville School BOT, staff and students would like to say a very big thank you to our relieving principal Debbie. Debbie arrived from Auckland and very quickly settled into our little school. In the short time she has been here she has worked extremely hard to ensure our students have remained settled and focused on their learning. The staff have appreciated her enthusiasm for teaching and learning. Thank you also to her husband Peter who has helped us with a few odd jobs at school. Debbie will be leaving our school at the end of term and we wish her and Peter all the very best. We look forward to welcoming Kim back at the start of term 2.

Cellphone Tower

It is exciting to finally have cell phone coverage in the Mauriceville area, albeit a little patchy in parts.

If you were previously unable to be contacted by mobile phone at home but are now able to be, please let the school know.

Some residents appear to be able to text but not call. If this is you, or perhaps you have no coverage at all, please check your phone settings, you may need to enable 4g or 'LTE' on your phone. Perhaps refer to Google if you are confused. We are not experts here but have had an instance where a visitor went from no reception to full by adjusting phone settings.

Swimming Lessons

Swimming lessons have finished for the term and have been a great success with some marked improvement in ability across the year groups.

Shoes and jackets

With winter just around the corner its time to order shoes and/or a jacket for your tamariki If they need them. Please complete the order form included with the newsletter and return it to school by Friday. It would be good to get our order in before the end of the term.

**Congratulations to the Mauriceville
Community Association who have
had great success in applying for a
Lotteries grant to paint the
community hall.**

Thank you and well done.

TEARS

A sad girl's tears drop,
drops from the sky
As she misses her dad.
She cries a lot when she thinks of him.
Her heart hurts.

By Jess

Demon is a collaborative poem by Mauriceville School students

Demon

*Red eyes shining like rubies,
The shell is hard as rock,
Horn like a rhino,
Legs are spiky and sharp, stripy like a sock,
Silvery wings, soft as feathers, spread like a bird in flight,
Shining emerald like a work of art, with spots and tiny lines,
Mother Nature's pet.*

Earwigs

Pincers like a needle to nip prey.

It's hard as a stick.

It curls like a scorpion.

Its body looks like a knife holder.

By Alexander

The Wasteland

By Matthew

Kids running,
destroying the bark like bombs in every step.
They take the playground and turn it into a wasteland,
with no colours because there's no bark.