



Mauriceville School Newsletter

Week 4, Term 2 - 19 May 2025

Key Dates

Wednesday 21 May

Wainuioru - Kapa Haka trip

Thursday 22 May

Pūkaha Trip

Monday 2 June

Kings Birthday School Closed

Tuesday 3 June

Teacher Only Day

Website

www.mauriceville.school.nz

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Mauriceville School



Principal's Message

Kia ora everyone, I hope your week is going well.

I wanted to start off by celebrating and acknowledging our community in light of our recent working bee. It was great to see so many people come along to help out. Not only did we have current parents and staff, but also past parents and students AND community members. It warmed my heart to see so many invested in the future of our school. Thank you. We got a lot achieved and shared some good food in the way of scones with jam and cream. Well done kids, for the great scones. They tasted delicious.

Last week, across the country was support staff week in schools. We are very lucky here at Mauriceville school to have a wealth of knowledge and kindness coming in from our support team. Though we know sometimes 'it's all part of the job', many people go beyond the call of duty for the children here at Mauriceville school. Thank you to you all.

Have a great week everyone,

Take care, Megan Roberts



Garden to Table

During the working bee, we harvested a heap of potatoes. This week, we made use of these potatoes and made some fritters. The children had lots of fun making, creating and eating. A BIG THANK YOU to Lucy Z. Lucy volunteers in our school every Tuesday, giving her time and energy to help the children create things.



Rural Schools Cross Country

Everyone had a great time at Rural School Cross Country on Friday 16th May. A BIG THANK YOU to Tīnui School for hosting and organising a wonderful event. Thanks Barb, (Quinn's mum) for coming along to support. And, A MASSIVE well done, 'ka rawe' to all our students who participated. Courage and determination won that day. Jump on over to our school Facebook page to see more photos.



After School Transport

Are you considering sending your child/children to our school but work in town and need transport to after-school care?

This is something we are currently considering to better support our families. We understand that transportation and after school juggles can be a challenging in a rural space, and we want to ensure your child's after-school care needs are met so they can attend our school.

Please get in touch with us via the school office or email, and we would be happy to provide you with more information and discuss potential options to make this convenient for you.

Phone 06 372 5800 or principal@mauriceville.school.nz

Cash payments to school

The Board are considering changing the schools policy on accepting cash as payment for accounts, bookclub etc. We would like to introduce a NO cash policy but want to ensure this is not going to disadvantage anyone. It would mean future payments would have to be made to school through internet banking. The office receives very little cash over a year but there is quite a bit of administration involved in receiving recording and banking it these days and it is always a hot topic for our Auditors as we don't have an office bursting with staff to assign individual cash handling roles to. Please let us know your thoughts, would a no cash policy at school work for you?



Trip to Pükaha



A goal of ours as a school is to continue building and strengthening our connection to Pūkaha. We are super lucky to be just over the hill from this National Wildlife Centre. This week we are heading over to Pūkaha to explore and do a Fungus hunt. The perfect time of year to see many different fungi growing. If you would like to come along on this trip, please contact the school office. You can either join us in the school van, leaving school at 11am on Thursday this week (22/05) or join us there, at Pūkaha from 11.30am.

Front gate sign - DRAFT



We are currently working on a new sign for our front gate. Something big and bold, that you can see from the road, when driving past. This is DRAFT 1. What do you think? Feel free to share your thoughts with us.

So far, through lots of collaboration, we have a portal that is surrounded by native birds and reptiles. The blue koru, signal some of our local streams and rivers and their inhabitants. We have had a request for a crawly in the stream, which we will add:)

You can see a band of foliage in one of the koru, as well as a band of buildings significant to this area. Not all of these buildings will stay. This is simply a draft for our school community to get some ideas rolling. Further consultation with key stakeholders and representatives, will see other images and detail added to this to create DRAFT 2.

This is a work in progress and through further consultation and feedback, we hope to create a sign that represents the past, present and future of the school. It is never an easy job taking into consideration all views, opinions and thoughts. But so far, we have done a great job at incorporating what is important to us here at Mauriceville School. Watch this space for DRAFT 2.

Friends of Mauriceville Event

Everyone is welcome to join us at the Mauriceville Community Hall (Mauriceville School) from 3pm this Sunday, 25th May for Fun, Food and Fellowship.

We will hold an AGM with a difference, select new leadership, and hear from other groups in the district.

FOM will supply BBQ sausages, tea & coffee and we invite you to bring finger food to share.

See you there!



Get on Board with Go Bus Transport and come join our great team in Wairarapa.

We are looking for Casual On-Call School Bus Drivers. If you are thinking of re-joining the workforce or looking for extra hours this role may well suit you.

What you need:

- Enjoy being with young people and have their safety and welfare at heart
- Class 2 License
- P endorsement (we can help you obtain this)
- A responsible and caring approach

If you want to be part of a business that is making a difference in your community then we want to hear from you!

Our recruitment process includes a Drug and Alcohol Test and Police Vetting check.

Don't let this role drive by! Apply today!

Please note, we can only accept applications from New Zealand Citizens or Residents.

Apply by emailing Kim on kim.forbes@gobus.co.nz.

Get on board with gobus.co.nz

Mauriceville Playgroup

9.30am to 11.30pm
Mauriceville School Hall

Thursday 29 May
Thursday 12 June - REAP

