



MEEANEE SCHOOL

PREPARE TODAY TO MEET TOMORROW

Wednesday 31st March

This weekend we have an extended long weekend due to Easter. All schools across New Zealand have Tuesday off as well as Friday and Monday. After we return, we only have two weeks of school left before the holidays start on Saturday April 17th. Enjoy your five days with your family. Our Canoe Polo players are going to enjoy an extra training on Easter Tuesday. We are very proud to have 14 students from Papakura playing this year.

On Monday evening we held our first camp meeting for the year. It was great to see such a big turn out of parents and to get their support around fundraising activities was tremendous. We don't go to Rotorua until November which allows us plenty of time to organize everything. Mrs McKay is very keen that we enjoy all the activities that we have in the past.

Fingers crossed School Athletics day will still take place tomorrow. The weather forecast is constantly changing for Thursday. Your children need to be at school by 8.45am as the bus leaves at 9am. All children need to bring a large water bottle, morning tea and there will be juices on sale which they can purchase during their rest time for \$1. Students are permitted to wear a T Shirt in their house colour with sports shorts and sensible footwear for running and jumping. Thank you to the parents who have offered to help on a station.

EXCITING News!!! Our School App is available for download. All the features aren't up and running yet but it does have the alert system which is where we will put any updates around sports, class trips etc... Go to your app store on Apple or Google Play, look up and download SchoolAppsNZ and then search for Meeanee School. In the upcoming months our new website will be up and running which will have links to the school newsletter and information for parents. There is also a link to our School Facebook page which will be a celebration page. The photo on the main screen will also change to a picture of some of our students. I have already okayed this with the parents concerned.



Have a great long weekend. Please talk to your children about our school values over the break. We are constantly talking to them about Respect, Empathy, Excellence, and Perseverance. This term we have been especially strong on people greeting each other, as well as saying please and thank you.

**Nga Mihi
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FACEBOOK:

Please feel free to like and share our school facebook page under *Meeanee School Community*.



You are welcome to invite extended members of your family. It is an easy way for them to keep up with relatives here at the school.

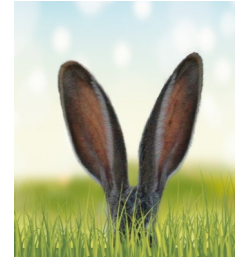
COMING EVENTS:

- 2 Apr - Easter Good Friday—no school
- 4 Apr - Daylight savings ends
- 5 Apr - Easter Monday—no school
- 6 Apr - Easter Tuesday—no school
- 7 Apr - Duffy Role model assembly 1.30pm
- 14 Apr - Girls Football tournament Year 5/6
- 16 Apr - Last Day of Term 1
- 3 May - Term 2 starts
- 17 May - Teacher Only Day



Easter Break

Just a reminder that *school is closed* from
Friday 2 April - Tuesday 6th April
for Easter Break.



School will be open again from Wednesday 7th April.

Have a great Easter break and we look forward to seeing you all back
on Wednesday.



School Holiday Programmes information:

We have a folder of school programmes at the office. Please enquire at the Office.

Head Lice

Its that time of year again unfortunately where headlice are about again. Your teacher will send a note home if your child presents with symptoms. Please check your children's hair regularly at least once per week and if you do notice any live adult headlice then these need to be treated before your child returns to school. We have products available in the office to treat these so please pop in and pick some treatment up if required.



Daylight Savings Ends

***Daylight Savings Ends this Sunday.
A reminder to put your clocks back
an hour before you go to bed on
Saturday night.***



PTA Committee

We would love to see some new faces on our PTA. This is a huge support to our school which directly benefits our children. It is also a fantastic way to get involved in the school community whilst meeting other parents in our school. If you are interested in finding out more please contact the school.



Uniform Policy

The Board of Trustees has just reviewed our uniform policy, which is below. If you have any questions please email or phone the office.



- School hat must be worn in Terms 1 & 4
- School Polar fleece only or Kidscan jacket can be worn on cold or wet mornings.
- School Polo top only. A long sleeved black thermal or t-shirt may be worn underneath but it must be black.
- Black trackpants, skorts, shorts, leggings, skirts – must be plain black with no writing on them. No denim.
- Plain black socks or tights.
- Suitable shoes for physical activity. Junior classes to only wear shoes they can put on themselves. Children must arrive and leave school with shoes on. No jandals.
- No makeup, no dangly earrings or other jewellery except for pounamu or other cultural/religious items of significance. To be worn under clothing.
- Natural hair colour and long hair below shoulder should be tied up for health and safety reasons.

Athletics Day

Is on tomorrow

****Thursday 1st April****
At Hawkes Bay Regional Sports Park

9.00am—2.30pm

All children need to be at school by 8.45 for the bus. They may come to school in their house colours in sensible clothing suitable for athletics day.

Please check our school facebook page or school app for any cancellations as the weather forecast isn't great.

An update will be made between 7-7.30am



★ **Congratulations**
Tatum ★

Tatum has graded in his karate with a yellow belt with 2 stripes. The youngest in his belt group by 2 years.

Well done Tatum for all your commitment, dedication and hard work, we are all super proud of you as I know your Mum will be too.



School App

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Then search for Meeanee School and select which notifications you require. This is still a work in progress and more features will be loaded on as we go.

