



# Mahana School

[www.mahana.school.nz](http://www.mahana.school.nz)

Strong, Positive, Responsible,  
Brilliant, Contributors

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## Our School Online Kotuku

[www.mahanakotuku.blogspot.com](http://www.mahanakotuku.blogspot.com)

## Kotare

[www.kotaremahana.blogspot.co.nz](http://www.kotaremahana.blogspot.co.nz)

## Kereru

Seesaw - Download the app and  
keep up to date with your child's  
learning.

## Piwakawaka

[www.mahanapiwaka.blogspot.com](http://www.mahanapiwaka.blogspot.com)

## Facebook

[www.facebook.com/MahanaSchool](http://www.facebook.com/MahanaSchool)

## Twitter

[www.twitter.com/#!/MahanaSchool](http://www.twitter.com/#!/MahanaSchool)

## 2017

### Term Dates

Term 1 – 7 February – 13 April

Term 2 – 1 May – 7 July

Term 3 – 24 July – 29 September

Term 4 – 16 October – 20 December (this could  
be 19 December if Athletics Day is run)

### Term 2 Events

1 May	Term 2 Starts
1-2 May	Life Ed
11 May	Bank Visit for Tellers @ Mahana
17 May	Mahana Cross Country
22-26 May	Book Fair – "Pirates"
24 May	Moutere Hills Junior Cross Country
24 May	BoT Meeting
25 May	Moutere Hills Senior Cross Country
31 May	Motueka Cross Country
22 June	B Gymnastics
23 June	A Gymnastics
7 July	Term 2 Ends

Nau mai, hāere mai, whakatau mai. Welcome to Term 2. We're looking forward to the term.

Our big ideas this term are...

- Tiakina a Tātou: Managing Ourselves, especially our clothes and gear
- Being Curious: Mā te Pākiki, especially about science!

Hats

- Hats are not necessary in terms 2 and 3.

Cross Country

- During the first part of this term we'll be running each day, so please make sure our kids have running clothes. Running in barefeet is ok, but we will be running over gravel on some parts of the course.
- This year we are adding our running distances up each day with the goal of running the length of New Zealand!

Newsletters

- We're changing our newsletter day to Monday. If you would like to add anything please get it to Jenny the Friday before.

Assemblies

- This term assemblies will be held from 2.30pm on even weeks only. Parents are always welcome to come into school and join in at any time.

## Community Notices

### **SPANISH language lessons.**

Give your child the advantage of a second language. Like learning music, learning a second language is good for our brains! Norma, the teacher in charge, is from Venezuela and loves to teach children her native language, Spanish. She believes children should learn through play, song, games and natural use of the language in conversation so that they learn to 'think' in Spanish. She will hold Wednesday after-school Beginner Spanish classes from 3:30 to 4:15 for ages 6-9 and a class for ages 10-12 from 4:30 to 5:45. Classes run at NMIT Block C, Lower Queens St Richmond with a maximum class size of 10.

### **Mad Beat Hip Hop Studio Richmond**

For the beginner or the advanced. Have fun, get fit and enjoy learning new dance skills in a fun, supportive environment.

Check out the MadBeat web site for a detailed timetable and term fees or call Chloe on 02108505052. Website: [www.madbeat.co.nz](http://www.madbeat.co.nz) email: [classes@madbeat.co.nz](mailto:classes@madbeat.co.nz)