



26 February 2016

Dear Parents and Caregivers

BOT MATTERS

We had our first BOT meeting of the year this week and after doing a property walk about we got into looking at and approving our Charter, Strategic Plan for 2016-2018, and Annual Plan and Annual Targets for this year.

As this year is a BOT election year we will be asking for parents willing to be elected to the School Board of Trustees to put their names forward in two or three months time.

If you are considering this as an option or if you just want to find out more about the plans and goals of our School email Bernadette at principal@macandrewbay.school.nz and I can send you a copy of the Charter etc to give you a good sense of the current direction and goals of our School.

PARENT/TEACHER MEETINGS next week

We got great feedback from parents about the Parent Information evenings, which people found very useful.

If you would like to follow up with a chance to talk more specifically about your child then we have ten-minute slots available from 3.00pm – 5.45pm set aside on Tuesday 1st March and Thursday 3rd March. This would be for parents to share any information with class teachers they wanted to pass on and to set goals to focus on this year. Bookings can be made online for Parent Interviews at www.schoolinterviews.co.nz and the code is ST2WW. Children are welcome to attend these meetings too with their parents.

Full parent interviews will be held mid year following mid year written school reports going home in Term 2. Interviews will also be before the July holidays this year, rather than at the start of Term 3 as we have done previously.

PICNIC TEA FOR SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY

We thought while the weather is settled and warm it would be great timing to invite families along to school for a BYO picnic tea on the School field. This would be a good chance for both present and past families, from our School and Community to come along and see our property developments now the work is finished and have a nice relaxed social event together. The pool will still be full so people could swim.

We will try for Thursday the 10th March from 5.30pm onwards and if the weather doesn't play ball we will postpone till the following week Thursday 17th March.

Bring your own picnic tea and drinks but we will have the school barbeques available if you want to cook anything on the BBQ's.

Bring your togs too if you want to swim though parents you would need to be responsible for supervising your children in the pool.

WALK AND WHEEL TO SCHOOL WEEK 29 FEBRUARY – 4 MARCH

Why walk or wheel to School?

- To improve health and fitness
- To learn about road safety
- To reduce pollution
- To save money on petrol
- To have fewer cars and less chaos at the school gate
- To have fun with friends and make new ones
- To be fresh and ready for learning at the start of the school day

It would be great to have as many children as possible walking or wheeling to school, or at least part of the way if you come from a big distance.

The DCC and Sport Otago have a special week each year where they encourage as many schools as possible to encourage families and teachers to get active in the ways they come to school. We submit our numbers the Wednesday prior to Walk and Wheel and then on the Wednesday during Walk and Wheel (Wed 5th March). A couple of years we were the top school in Otago with the highest percentage of students walking to school and we won \$1,000 of Sports equipment which was very exciting. Let's try our best again this year.

It's great if you can walk or wheel all week but if you can only manage it one day then Wednesday is the day to aim for!

SEAWEEK NEXT WEEK

Many of you have noticed a lovely story in the ODT last Saturday about Ashton Heptonstall, a pupil in Rātā class, who regularly cleans up beaches around our harbor in an effort to protect the environment and the marine life. We are keen to do a beach clean up at Macandrew Bay beach too and will check the tide times and see a suitable date. It is unlikely it will actually be in Sea week but that will be our contribution for Sea week. Korimako class are also going to be involved in a Harbour monitoring project this year too working with Portobello Marine Laboratory personnel.

We will let you know a date when we have one.

It would be good if the children could bring gumboots on that day and any adults who want to come and help would be very welcome to join us.

TOITU TRIPS

Thank you so much to everyone who came forward to go on the trips to Toitu with us this week. After the appeal in the newsletter lots of parents came forward to accompany each class which was really helpful. The children enjoyed finding out about

Macandrew's Bay or North East Harbour as it was know in the past and also more about the wider Harbour environment and history.

PARENT TUTOR READING Yr. 3-6 Children

Mrs Brooker still would love another two adults prepared to volunteer as a Parent Tutor so if you are available for 1½ hours per week then please fill out the form at the back of the newsletter and return it to school. Adults sit with one child at a time and hear them read for 15 minutes or so. Over the 1½ hours the Parent Tutors work with 5 or 6 children. This makes a big difference to the children and really boosts their confidence. Usually Parent Tutors sign up for one regular morning each week.

VEGETABLE GARDENS AND STREAM PROJECT

We have had three volunteers say they are happy to help out with weeding and watering of our school vegetable gardens and occasional tidy ups of the stream project. If you are a keen gardener or have an environmental bent and think this is an area you might like to lend a hand with at School please fill in the tear off slip at the back of the newsletter. We would love to hear from you.

CHILDREN'S WRITING CORNER – all from Kowhai class Y1/2 Children

Tomorrow I will become Batman. But today... I have to clean my room.
Liam

Tomorrow I will jump on a rainbow. But today... I have to wash the car.
Kate

Tomorrow I will become the scary Hulk. But today... I need to do my homework.
Dylan

Tomorrow I will swim with every fish. But today... I have to clean my room.
Felix

Tomorrow I will turn into a ballerina. But today... I have to do the dishes.
Madison

ART GALLERY (11th 15th & 17th March)

We would love to know if parents are able to join us for our March Art Gallery Trips. Parents are welcome to come on the bus with us or meet us in at the Art Gallery.

Friday 11 March

10.15 – 12.15 Y3/4 Kārearea – The bus is leaving the school at 9.45am

12.15 – 2.15 Y6 Toroa - The bus is leaving the school at 11.45am

Tuesday 15 March

10.15 – 12.15 Y3 Tui - The bus is leaving the school at 9.45am

12.15 – 2.15 Y1/2 Kākano and Kowhai together. The bus is leaving the school at 11.45am

Thursday 17 March

10.15 – 12.15 Y2/3 Rātā - The bus is leaving the school at 9.45am

12.15 – 2.15 Y4/5 Korimako - The bus is leaving the school at 11.45am

There is a tear off slip at the end of the newsletter for you to fill in and return to school if you are available and interested in coming with your child's class. As there is always a practical art workshop at the end of these trips help is always needed to get paintings dry quickly etc.

OUR SCHOOL VALUES

Our School values are really important to us here at Macandrew Bay School and we talk about these a lot with the children, in our classes, in the playground and each week at Focus Assembly. We developed these values with our school families and with the children and we really try to make them part of our everyday actions and interactions within the school. They are part of our School's philosophy, our ways of operating, our curriculum, our classrooms and our relationships.

The values that we have deemed to be very important are:

- Respect
 - For ourselves, others and our world
- Independence
 - Showing persistence, self-management skills and thinking for ourselves
- Responsibility
 - Taking responsibility for learning, thinking, contributing and personal actions
- Passion for Learning
 - Showing curiosity and engagement and a willingness to be a lifelong learner
- Kindness and Caring
 - Showing others you care
 - Being thoughtful and kind
 - Doing good things for others
- Honesty
 - Being trustworthy and truthful
 - Taking responsibility for our own behavior

I just thought it was worth putting a bit about this in the newsletter so parents could also have a chance to back up these values at home with the children too. We can see you do already, as your children are such lovely young people.

HOME AND SCHOOL COMMITTEE

We held our first Home and School Committee meeting for the year this week on and Liz Luscombe is going to chair our meetings and be the President of Home and School.

The meetings last an hour and start at 7.00pm. We will let you know the next meeting date.

Everybody is welcome to join the Home and School Committee and we would love to have some more members so feel free to come along at any stage.

It is a great way to get involved with your child's School.

Liz Luscombe is happy to coordinate a roster for the Home and School Sausage Sizzle that is organised as a lunchtime option once or twice a term. If you are able to do the BBQ with another parent, usually on a Friday, could you please fill the tear off slip at the back of the newsletter and return it to school. With enough volunteers we might just need you to volunteer once a year – currently we have some volunteers but still need a few more.

INFORMATION ABOUT OUR HOME AND SCHOOL COMMITTEE

The Home & School Committee meets twice a term and is a less formally organised group than the Board of Trustees. They support the school in many matters outside the curriculum such as fundraising for special projects and holding events. It is a good opportunity for every new parent to meet other parents, make close contact with teachers and get a better understanding about the everyday life at school. All meetings are open to every parent and the committee always welcomes new members. How much work every member wants to contribute in the end is entirely up to them. The aim is no pressure but lots of fun. The meetings are announced in the weekly newsletters. We usually have a Fair every two years and in alternate years we hold an Art Auction to raise funds for Arts programmes in the school and to fund our 'Artist in School' project.

HOME AND SCHOOL EVENTS THIS YEAR

Our big event this year will be the School Fair which we plan to hold in November (probably on the 13th November). Please hold onto any items that you think might be useful for the Fair such as unwanted books, toys, good quality children's clothing, good quality unwanted White Elephant Stall items etc as later on this year we will be gratefully receiving all these items. We will give more information about the Fair and how we would love your help later on.

We plan to run a children's Disco in May, a Quiz night hopefully in Term 3, a sausage sizzle at Mitre 10 in August and the Book Fair in August and we will be selling really good home First Aid Kits in Term 1. We also hope to have a really fun event for parents in Term 1 next year. Jo Lewis is hatching an exciting plan for that.

WHANAU HUI

For the past couple of years we have had regular Whanau Hui for the whanau of our Maori students. They are very relaxed get togethers where we have a cup of tea and a chat about what is happening at school for our Maori students and good ideas tend to pop up as we talk. If your children have Maori heritage we would love to have you come along to these meetings. Our Term 1 Whanau Hui will be Wednesday March 16th at 3.15pm in the staffroom. If you want to find out more just pop in and see Bernadette or send me a email at principal@macandrewbay.school.nz.

The meetings usually go for 45 minutes to an hour at the most and the children usually pop in for afternoon tea and then play in the playground while we meet.

VOLUNTARY SCHOOL DONATIONS

Each year we ask for a Voluntary School Donation each term and this money is used to buy reading books, maths equipment, musical instruments, sports equipment, library books and help provide Teacher Aide Support for the children in the classes. Being a Decile 10 School means our operational funds are not all that generous. Our suggested School Donations this year will be the same amount as last year - \$25.00 per term or \$100.00 per child. You are more than welcome to pay these per term or for the whole year – whichever suits you. Some parents have set up regular small direct debit contributions and that is fine. It is worth parents knowing that the receipt you receive for any donations made to school can be used for an income tax credit from Inland Revenue.

VOLUNTARY ACTIVITY DONATION

The suggested Activity Donation again is \$10.00 per child per term, or you may wish to pay \$40.00 for the whole year. This money is used to help cover the costs of the children travelling to the Museum, Art Gallery, Sports Events and pays for visits to school by different performing groups etc. Please fill in the form below and return to the Office if you are able to contribute in this way.

DATES TO REMEMBER IN TERM ONE

Feb – 4 Mar	Walk and Wheel Week & Seaweed
1 Mar	Parent / Teacher Meetings - 10 minutes each
3 Mar	Parent / Teacher Meetings – 10 minutes each
10 Mar	Picnic Tea at School 5.30pm – 7.30pm
11 Mar	Art Gallery Trip – Korimako & Toroa
15 Mar	Art Gallery Trip – Tui, Kākano & Kowhai
16 Mar	Whanau Hui
17 Mar	Picnic Tea postponement date 5.30pm start
17 Mar	Art Gallery Trip – Rātā & Karearea
21 Mar	Otago Anniversary Day (School closed)
25 Mar	Good Friday (Easter)
27-28 Mar	Easter break
15 Apr	End of Term 1

Bernadette Newlands
PRINCIPAL

SCHOOL SPORTS NOTICES

Rippa Rugby – Draw 29 February

Unfortunately the draw is not available, please check on Monday with Mr Direen.

Futsal – Draw 2 March

Mac Bay Sharks vs GB Dragons	Court 13	3.30pm
Mac Bay Stringrays vs Kaikorai Hawks	Court 8	4.30pm
Mac Bay Dolphins vs St Joseph's Gold	Court 16	4.30pm
Mac Bay Seals vs SFX Mighty Strikers	Court 10	5.30pm
Mac Bay Sword Fish vs MHS Chelsea	Court 5	5.30pm
Mac Bay Eels vs Outram	Court 12	5.30pm

NOTICES

Sediment and Seashores Demonstration

Sunday 28th February, 1.30-3.30pm

Meet opposite Careys Bay Hotel

Join marine scientists from the NZ Marine Studies Centre for a hands-on workshop and demonstration of their new Sediment and Seashores project. The project, being launched this month, investigates what effect the increased dredging of Otago Harbour may have on the rocky shore communities which surround it and involves primary and secondary students from a number of schools around Dunedin. Everyone is welcome to join us to find out more about how the programme will work. Contact Matt Desmond for further information: matthew.desmond@otago.ac.nz

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VOLUNTARY SCHOOL DONATIONS

\$25.00 per term per child or \$100 for the 4 terms per child

Name of child/children _____ Rm _____

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Amount enclosed _____

Signed _____

VOLUNTARY SCHOOL ACTIVITY DONATION – This helps pay for school trips, performances and education outside the classroom.

\$10.00 per term per child or \$40.00 for the 4 terms per child

Name of child/children _____ Rm _____

_____ Rm _____

Amount enclosed _____

Signed _____

PARENT TUTOR READING HELP

I am interested if helping with Parent Tutor Reading.

The day, which suits me best, is a _____ (please indicate).

Name _____

HOME AND SCHOOL SAUSAGE SIZZLES

I am happy to help out with the Friday lunch time Sausage Sizzles and go onto the roster.

Name: _____

Contact No: _____

CONTACT DETAILS (if you have moved or changed phone numbers)

Name _____

Our contact details are now: _____

Signed _____

ELECTRONIC NEWSLETTERS ONLY

Your Name: _____

Childs Name: _____

Room: _____

Email address: _____

VEGETABLE GARDEN AND STREAM PROJECT:

I would be keen to help out with weeding and watering etc

Name: _____

Phone: _____

ART GALLERY TRIPS

I would like to come on the Art Gallery Trip with my child.

Childs Name: _____ Room: _____ Date: _____



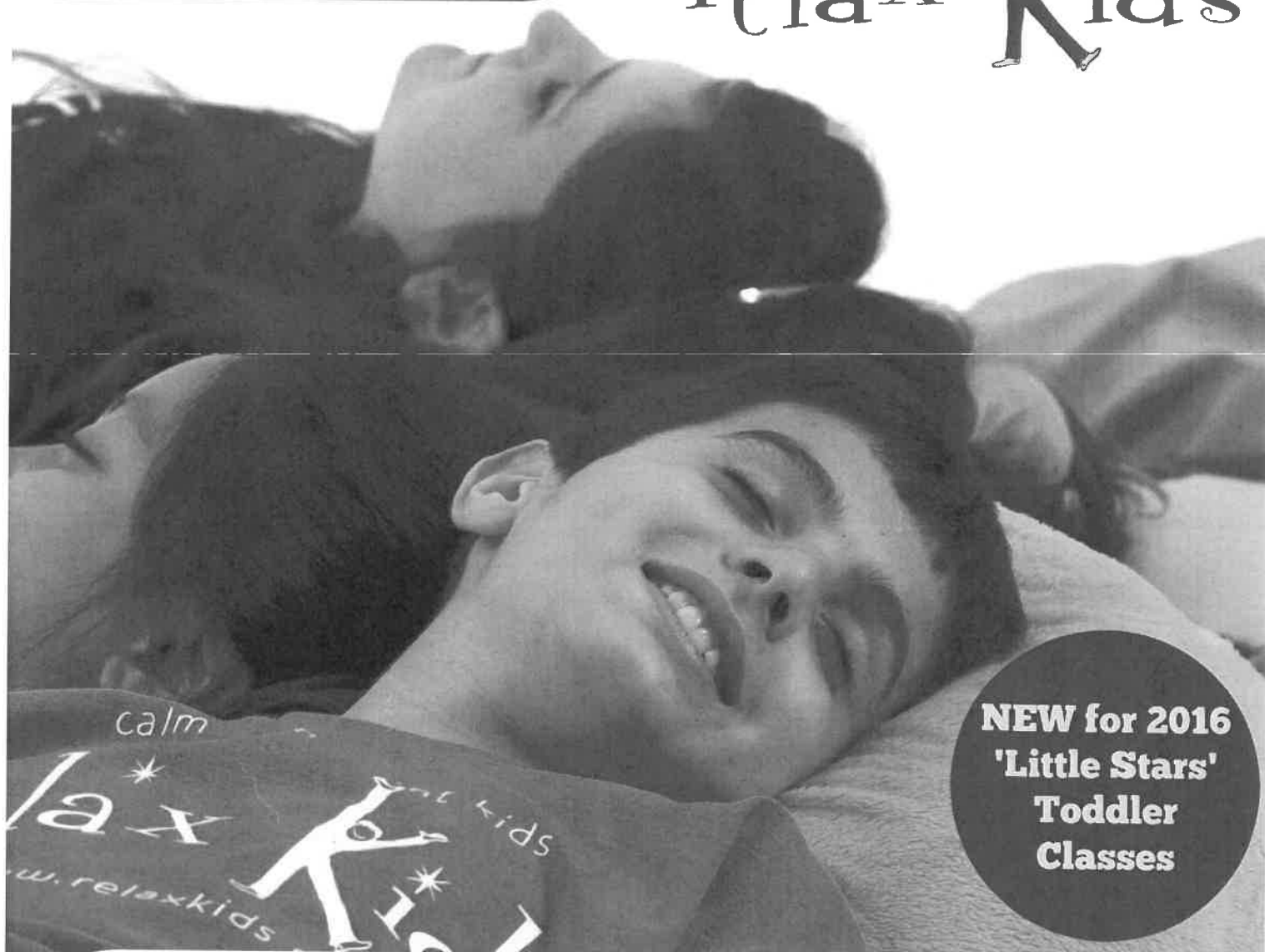
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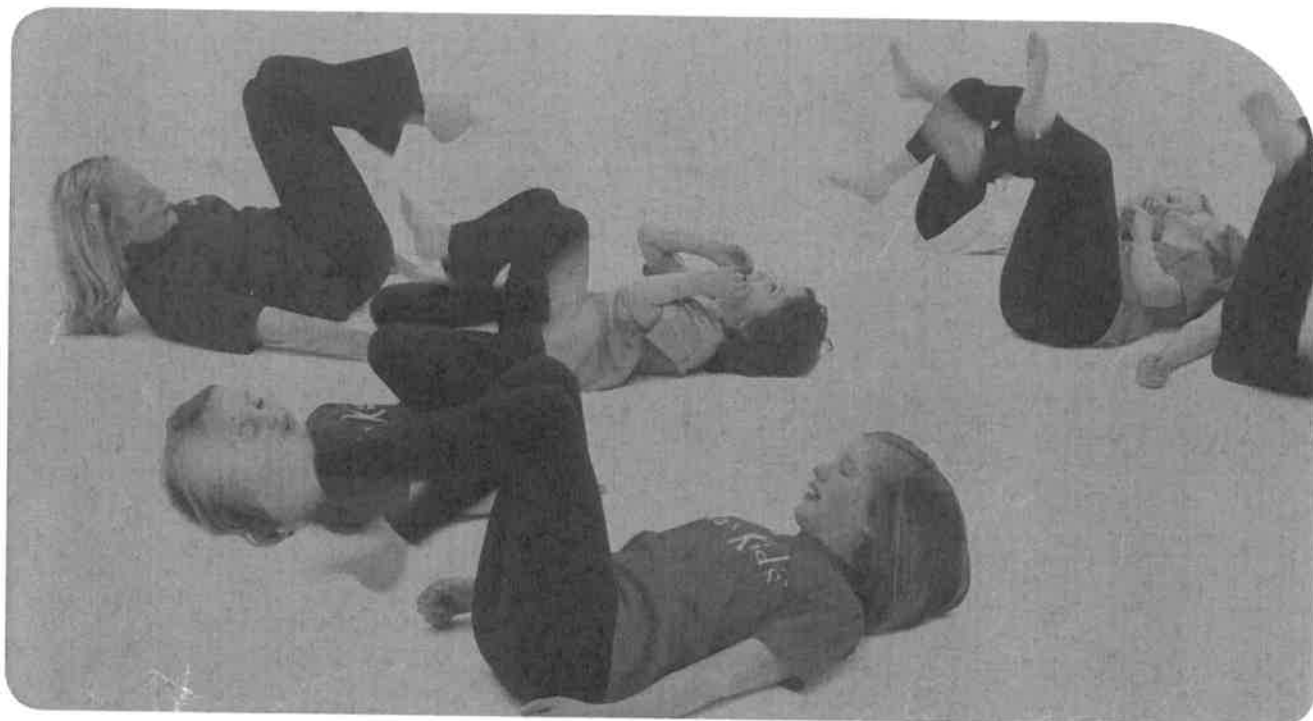
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**Why not head down to the Storypit after the 1.15pm session and round off the afternoon with our Teddy Bears Picnic?*

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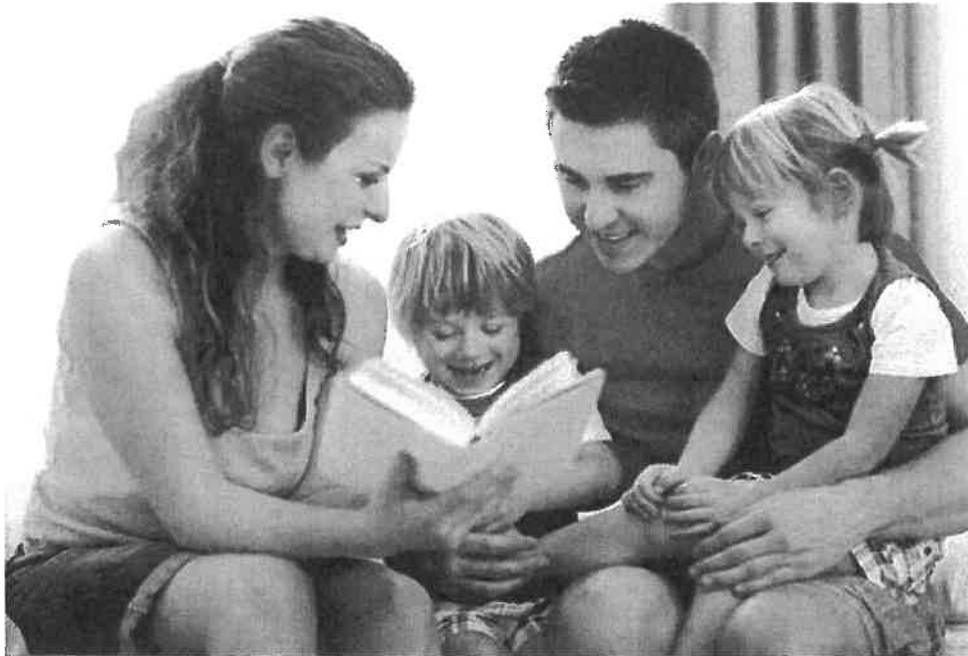
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mahana: warm

Kei te *mahana* te wai?

Is the water *warm*?

- this is an example of an active sentence

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Auē! Ka *mahana* haere te kaimoana i te rā.

Oh dear! The seafood is getting *warm* in the sun.

- this is an example of a stative sentence

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whakamahana means *to warm*, for example,

Ka *whakamahana* au i te kai.

I will *warm* the food.

- this is an example of an active sentence