MEREMERE SCHOOL

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Term 4 Week 4

6 November 2026

SCHOOL VISION
Believe Achieve Succeed

SCHOOL MISSION STATEMENT
Success through Achievement. Achievement through Education.

MEREMERE, a great little SCHOOL

Kia ora koutou,

The weather is warming up as we move towards the busiest time of the school year.

ROLL

The roll currently sits at 14 and this still allows us to run individualised lessons for every child.

LEARNING AND ACHIEVEMENT

We are very happy with the progress achievement of children. New enrolments once they settle to routines and expectations also achieve rapidly.

BEHAVIOUR

New enrolments create a new dynamic in the class and it often takes two or three weeks to settle to the new change. We are happy with the way most children are adjusting to this.

LEARNING & BEHAVIOURAL NEEDS

When we feel a child would benefit from one-to-one or small group support, we engage the services of RTLB [Resource Teachers Learning & Behaviour] and SWIS [Social Workers in School] and employ Teacher Aides to support these needs.

PROPERTY

The children are loving the new swings and bike track. As time goes on, we will be making modifications to the track with ramps and judder bars.

OPEN DAY

We have an OPEN DAY in Week 6 on Tuesday 17 November. You are welcome to come in and observe Writing and Maths before morning tea and Reading until lunch time. We also welcome you to join us for morning tea at 10 to 11. Please feel free to bring along interested grandparents or neighbours to observe your children at work.

ZEBONG

Yesterday we had Zebong the Storyteller at school. I was told he was excellent and that children were immersed in the experience which included the story telling and a story writing workshop.

VOTING

You can vote at the school tomorrow. It is going to be knife edge! More than 2,300 places will be open across the country for voting, many of them at schools.

BEDTIME

It is important that your children go to bed at a reasonable time. It is difficult for us to teach tired children who are nearly falling asleep at their tables. To be fair this is not widespread.

CHROMEBOOKS / IPADS

All children are issued with their own personal devices. Juniors ie Year 1 & 2 have an iPad and the seniors a Chromebook. These supplement our Writing, Reading and Maths programmes and while they form only a part of our approach, they are a necessary part of it.

Having a personal Chromebook which allows all published writing to be housed on the same device is one of the benefits. It also teaches children to be responsible for their own device and is an effective way to manage behaviour.

When Chromebooks or iPad are damaged deliberately or carelessly, children will not be issued with another until a meeting is held with whanau. Parents will then be asked to provide devices as happens at many other schools.

SWIS

Luke Molloy's replacement is Shaayal Gounden. We welcome Shay onto the staff. Shay is available at the school Thursday and Fridays.

THE BEAT STATION

We have hired a music programme that includes instruments and videos. Whaea Anne runs this on Friday mornings. The children are loving it and gaining some musical skills.

Weekly Assembly

Date: 23.10.2026	**Term:** 4	**Week:** 2
Senior Role Models	Angel & Vaimoe	
New Students	Travis	
Birthdays	Travis	
Group Points	Bluey	
Newsletter Slips		
Teachers Caught Being Good	Kortez & Angel	
100% Attendance draw	Harlem	
Role Models Caught Being Good	Carter & Angel	
Sports Certificate	Harlem	
Reading Certificate	Carter	
Writing Certificate	Indica	
Maths Certificate	Aurorah	
Principal Certificate	Larry	

Weekly Assembly

Date: 30.10.2026	**Term:** 4	**Week:** 3
Senior Role Models	Angel & Kortez	
New Students		
Birthdays		
Group Points	Superstars	
Newsletter Slips	Teagan	
Teachers Caught Being Good	Angel x 2	
100% Attendance draw	Teagan	
Role Models Caught Being Good	Carter & Camero	
Sports Certificate	David	
Reading Certificate	Angel	
Writing Certificate	Teagan	

Maths Certificate	Camero
Principal Certificate	Carter

Nga mihi nui

Maxine Stensness

Principal

PS: If you send back the slip below, it goes into a lucky draw at our Friday assembly.

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I have received and read the newsletter.

Signed _____ Child's name _____