



Te Kura Maori o Nga Tapuwae

MANGERE BUS BEHAVIOUR & MEETING

Wednesday 6th August 2025

Tēnā koutou e ngā Mātua,

We have just been notified that students on the Mangere Bus have intentionally cut the back of seats on the Coachways bus. We have met with the students again today and notified them that this is the final warning before the Mangere Bus Service is cut off!

We have had numerous meetings with students, some of whom continue to argue, walk around, fight, litter, do inappropriate things and generally misbehave. They have been warned several times to rectify their behaviour. Not only have some students continued misbehaving but it has now elevated to causing expensive damage to the bus seats.

I raised my concerns regarding bus behaviour at the Whānau Hui on Monday night and asked parents to speak to your children; but the conversation either didn't happen or one/some children did not listen. We have asked the culprit/s to own up or for others to tell us who did it, but they have said they either don't know or refuse to tell on each other. This must stop as the school will not continue to subsidise the cost of a service that is not respected!

I would like to **meet with every child and their parents at 6pm on Tuesday 19th August 2025** here at Kura. It is imperative that you and your child are in attendance, or you will automatically forfeit their place on the bus and we will reassess the viability of the service continuing. I expect that the behaviour on the bus between now and our meeting is nothing short of exemplary. If there is even one complaint from the driver or bus company we will immediately cut off the service. Our students need to be reminded that this bus service is a privilege and not an automatic right.

I seriously ask you to have a long and tough conversation with your child reiterating everything in this letter, so you do not have to be inconvenienced by driving your child to and from school every day. I look forward to seeing you all at **6pm sharp on Tuesday 19th August 2025**.

Kia kaha tatou!


Arihia Stirling
Principal