

Term 3 Week 7 Newsletter – Wednesday 6 September 2017 – Rāapa 6 Mahuru 2017

TERM DATES 2017

Term 3: 24 July – 29 September

Term 4: 16 October – 20 December



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Term 3: Dates for your diary...

Wk 7: 8 September: Tennis coaching for all classes

Wk 8: Māori Language Week

15 September – Indigo Room Ski Trip,

Wk 9: ERO visit.

Friday 22 Sept: Ki O Rahi tournament (Y7 & 8)

Fri 22 Sept: Tennis coaching at school

Fri 22 Sept: Festival planning meeting 1pm

Wk 10: BoT meeting Wed 27 September

Pet day Thurs 28 September

Friday 29 September: Tennis coaching at school.

Last day of Term 3.

Festival is Sunday 22 October at the end of Week 1,

Term 4! ☺



Happy Birthday to Phoebe who is 8 years old today! Many happy returns also to **Oli** who will be 10 years old next Tuesday. Best wishes from everyone here at school!

Reminders & snippets

VOLLEYBALL TONIGHT Games are played at Motueka High School Gym. This afternoon the Ngati Nets play at 5.10pm and our Ngati Ninjas play at 5.50pm.

MINIBALL Our Juniors had another great game, with **Nikau & Mannix** awarded Players of the Day. Well done all of you! Good luck to our Seniors this **Friday who play St Peter Chanel at 4pm.**

School Donations: \$25 for one student at school, \$40 for 2 students, with a maximum donation of \$50 per family at school. Thank you to those who have already paid – you can pay online to 03 1354 0359568 00 or cash/cheque.

Chromatic Scale Speed Competition To all Glenn's piano and guitar students: Practice 4 octaves for the chromatic scale speed competition in Week 10 of this term. Chocolate prizes are available!!

Ski Trip 15 September Thank you to those of you who have returned your permission forms and paid for the Indigo Room Ski trip so far; we are looking forward to it! Parents can you please remember to pay your own costs of day pass, rental and/or lesson too if you are coming along. Payment can now be made by cash/cheque at the office or online to Ngatimoti School 03 1354 0359568 00.

Disco: What a great disco! There were some weird and wonderful sights to behold and apparently everybody had heaps of fun! Huge thanks to parents Sam & Lucy, Stacy & Bex, for their DJ skills and the use of their equipment. Special thanks to the teachers and parents who set up, supervised and cleaned up. Many thanks to the Student Council for taking on the responsibility for organizing this successful evening. Thanks to everyone for their support!

Cyber Safety, Bullying and Values: John Parsons, NZ's leading authority on cyber-safety for children, delivered some powerful messages yesterday. One of these was that curiosity is what drags people in to dangerous places, and kids don't realize they are being sucked in but then they don't know how to get out of it. I recommend his book to all parents as a very readable guide. We can show you a

copy and you might like to order one through Amanda at the office. John's most important message to parents is that if you are raising your child in an environment with family values based on respect and empathy, then you already have the foundation to support your child online

Student Led Conferences: Well done to the students who were able to articulate their goals and share their learning with their families this week. Many thanks to the parents who were able to support their children's learning in this way. If you would like to follow anything up with a class teacher, teachers are happy to meet with you, but please make an appointment. Likewise, if you would like to discuss anything with me, or you have any suggestions to improve learning at Ngatimoti School, I am interested to hear from you. *Ali*

Judge Andrew Becroft, Children's Commissioner, recently said:

A young person's life is like a chair – they have four legs that are vital to their well-being:

- 1. Family** – a stable, loving home.
- 2. School** – active participation in school.
- 3. Friends** – involvement with positive people.
- 4. Community** – strong and many connections with local community groups, for example cultural and youth groups or sport.

Having the number of students at our disco last Friday night, counting the numbers who have played a sport throughout winter and seeing the number of parents who came along to the Student-Led-Conferences this week is heartening, as all of these contribute to the legs on the chair!

CONGRATULATIONS to Ollie for presenting a well written, humorous and clearly articulated speech on Artificial Intelligence at last week's inter-school speech competition.

Te Wiki o te reo Māori: next week is Māori language week. The theme for this year is **Kia ora te reo Māori** which not only picks up our national greeting but means literally, 'Let the Māori Language live'. We will be reflecting on our whakatauki for the year, Ahakoa he iti he pounamu (Although it may be small, it is a treasure), and embedding a little more te reo in to our programmes where we can.



Please try to provide zero-waste lunches for your child. We will be carrying out lunchbox audits to see how we are doing in our goal to become waste free at school.

ENVIRO NEWS A huge thank you to those who supported our seed fundraiser. We made a whopping \$295! The Enviro Leaders will be doing some investigating into the best way to use this money to support our Enviro projects at school. If you have not yet received your seeds, Amanda has them in the office for collection.



TOUCH RUGBY – REGISTER NOW!! It is time to register our touch teams for next term! Games will kick off in week two of term 4. This means that Junior and intermediate teams will start on Tuesday 24th October (week 2 of term 4). Senior teams will start on Wednesday the 25th of October. **Games are played outside the Recreation Centre, Motueka and transport is parent’s responsibility.** Games will run for 8 weeks with finals being played on Tues 12th and Wed 13th of December. Mixed teams must have at least 3 girls on the field at all times; there is no girl: boy ratio

in the open competition. The year groups for each grade are:

- Senior mixed and open years 6, 7 and 8
- Intermediate mixed and open years 3, 4 and 5
- Junior years 1 and 2

Please note the **due date for registration is Wednesday 27th of September. ALL registrations must be in before this date** to ensure a prompt start to the season in term 4. **IF YOU WISH TO REGISTER PLEASE LET AMANDA KNOW IN THE SCHOOL OFFICE – TERM FEES FOR THIS ARE \$15 PER PLAYER, payable to school (Sport Tasman invoice the school).**

NETBALL A huge well done to the Ngatimoti Diamonds who finished the season with two trophies; **Prize giving;** for all our teams will be held on **Saturday September 16 from 2 pm.** We will start off with some fun games between our players and parents, followed by a shared afternoon tea (please bring a plate of finger food), followed by prize giving. Lou would like to say a huge thank you Bex and Esther who both stepped up this year and did an amazing job of coaching a team, also thank you to all the parents and teachers for all your support throughout the season.

Well done this year’s Ngatimoti Diamonds: Samantha, Tui, Jasmine, Nina, Ari, Isi, Mikayla, Bex (coach), Naomi, Lili, Inca and Tasmin



PARENTS GROUP NEWS & CAKE ROSTER PLEASE CHECK THE ROSTER BELOW FOR YOUR DUTY DAY AND LET CATHERINE KNOW IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO SUPPLY CAKES ON YOUR ROSTERED DAY. Each Friday we provide cakes for \$1 each to students.

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| Week 7 – 8 Sept | James G & Phoebe Q (parents of Isis/Ara & Yuri) |
| Week 8 – 15 Sept | Janine B & Anna G (parents of Jasmine & Mila Mc) |
| Week 9 – 22 Sept | Mike W & Lisa F (parents of Hannah/Ollie & Lexus) |
| Week 10 – 29 Sept | John R & Lou B (parents of Isabella & Harry) |

For this to happen we rely on our parents group - i.e. all parents – to bake a cake, muffins or slices and bring them in to serve on Friday lunchtime. Students should still bring a healthy lunch but could also bring \$1 to buy a cake if they wish. Our lunch duty coordinator is Catherine (Beau, Louie & Chico’s mum). If you are unable to do your duty please either swap with another parent or call Catherine on 526 8891 so that we can make an alternative plan. Our parents group Chairperson is Rita (Ari & Madi’s mum) and she can be reached on 526 8337 if you wish to ask anything regarding the parents group. Please send your child with their money in a named purse if possible.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Goats for sale x 2 Saneen/boer cross nannies 2yrs old; Heidi and Clara, cool goats. \$250 for both **ph/text: 021 265 9423**

BUNK BEDS WANTED: Looking for a set of single size bunks, preferably with mattresses. Phone Tracey 021 173 4172

HOUSESITTING I have a housesitting gap I am looking to fill from mid-November through to 21 December. I have lots of great referees from housesitting in the valley. If you are going away and would like someone to take care of your home and/or look after your pets please contact Debs: debbiegodsiff@hotmail.com or pop in and talk to her at school.

Children’s Haircuts at the School – 29th September Hi, I’m Neisha and I have been a professional hairdresser for over 13 years, and also the proud owner of La Niche Hair Studio. On September the 29th (last day of term) I am able to offer children’s haircuts at Play Group, for \$10 a cut. I also have some times that would suit school children during the lunch break. If these times don’t suit, contact me and we can make an appointment to suit you. **Contact me on 035268342 or 02108207573 to book your child’s pre-holiday cuts; feel free to text if easier!**



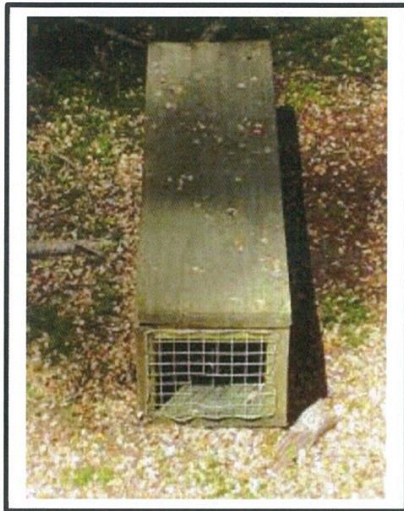
NGATIMOTI FESTIVAL – 22 OCTOBER 2017 It is 45 days until Festival Day! What are you doing to help out? There is a **parent roster** at the office or contact Amanda if you are unsure. We currently need donations of **silent auction** items so please keep asking where ever you take your business. We are also receiving donations of second hand goods for our White Elephant stall – bring them along to school anytime. **We will hold our next planning meeting on Friday 22 September – 1pm here at school. All welcome, or send an email to raise any issues or make any suggestions ngatimotifestival@gmail.com**

Kids Newsletter, 6 September.

By Room 1

Spring has sprung, and so we thought we would tell you about our Environmental Education this term! If you see these authors around school, give them a high five for their great work!

At enviro I helped to trap predators at Thorn's Wetland, for our country, like stoats and wild cats.
By Alex C.



I made a herb garden. By Skyla

My enviro group is making herb spiral gardens. One will be for food, and one will be for medicines. By Tui



We did some planting for our school.
By Stella

I stapled some lavender signs by the lavender plants along the fence in the orchard.

By Mila M.

The lavender plants are going well in the orchard for the bees.

By Beau

Jordan and I planted some lavender for the bees.

By Max

The bugs are healthy in the stream.
By Liam

I went to the stream.
By Takerei



Introducing Chase, Our new Room 1 Enviro Leader! There is a general election coming up in New Zealand. We talked about how this worked, and decided we would vote for a new student to represent us as an enviro leader!

We thought a good leader be a responsible RIVER student, and Chase was one of nine candidates to stand for the position.



Have you walked past the deck along the front of Room 1 this week? Last week mandarin trees were planted in the three wooden gardens attached to the deck. Yesterday Jill was helped by Takerei, Chase, Nina and Alex to plant lavender and pansy flowers around the trees. The flowers will attract the bees to the garden to pollinate the mandarin flowers! We will all be able to share the delicious fruit!



Student led conferences are nearly finished. How well did you do, talking about your learning and explaining it to your parents? For most of the students in Room One, this was their first time. Here is our thinking about these conferences.

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| Parents get to know what you've been learning. We felt proud of our learning. We learn to explain our goals. It helps us learn how to have a meeting for when we grow up. | Not all dads and mums could come together because of work. Some people had to take time off work to come. | It makes you work harder to make your mum and dad proud. It was a chance for parents to be at school with us. It was helpful to have our goals on a poster. Teacher could meet with our mums and dads. |