

# NGATIMOTI SCHOOL NEWSLETTER - WEEK 9 TERM 1 2018

Wednesday 4 April – Raapa 4 Paenga-whāwhā

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## 2018 TERM DATES

**TERM 1: WED 7 FEBRUARY – FRI 13 APRIL**

**TERM 2: Mon 30 April – Fri 6 July**

Queen's Birthday holiday Mon 4 June

**TERM 3: Mon 23 July – Fri 28 September**

**TERM 4: Mon 15 October – Thurs 20 Dec**

150<sup>th</sup> celebration/reunion Saturday 20 Oct

Ngatimoti Festival Sunday 21 October

Labour day Monday 22 October

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

**PARENT-STUDENT-TEACHER MEETINGS HERE AT SCHOOL**

**Do you know when your appointment time is this week?**

**If in doubt text/email or call Amanda in the office**

11 April – Moturoa Mission at Rabbit Island

12 April – Sailor the Puffer Fish performance here at school (11.50am)

12 April - Commonwealth Games day

End of Term 1 – Friday 13 April. Term 2 begins Monday 30 April



**Year 7 & 8 Technology** We appreciate your payments for MoTec materials – but so far only 6 students have paid. The MoTec donation is now payable at our school office by cash or cheque, or online to 03 1354 0359568 00 for all Room 5 students.

**2018 Great Kiwi English, Science & Maths Competitions** It is not too late to register for these online exams in Science, English and Mathematics, to be held next term. If you are a Year 5-8 student please bring your entry form and fee to the office before Friday 13 April. Entry forms are available from the office or class teacher.

**Singing Lessons** Denise is here at school taking private singing lessons on Wednesdays. All enquiries please contact Denise on 0272991373 [yogasong@xtra.co.nz](mailto:yogasong@xtra.co.nz)

**Cross Country Club – Wednesday lunchtimes** In preparation for next term's cross-country season – and just for fun – Glenn is running a cross-country club on Wednesday lunchtimes. Just show up at lunchtime on Wednesdays to join in.

## **What a wonderful Easter weekend!**

I hope you were able to do something special with or for your children during this break.

Having children is a great responsibility and planning fun things to do that suit your child is one way to build a relationship that will endure possible challenges ahead.

In the words of Dame Whina Cooper

Take care of our children

Take care of what they hear

Take care of what they see

Take care of what they feel

For how the children grow, so will the shape of Aotearoa.

Being a part of your child's education means communicating with us at school, and opportunities for Parent-Student-Teacher meetings are planned for this week. **If you cannot make your assigned time, we are happy to rearrange. Just let us know in advance – thank you!**



## ***My Pink Bear***

*My Pink Bear is still missing.  
Pink Bear is about 30cm long. She  
has black and white eyes, and a  
short pink tail.*

*She feels soft and cuddly.*

*Pink Bear is special to me because  
I got her when I was a baby.*

*Please help me find her.*

*Written by Skyla, Room One.*

## **Kai Fest**

This Sunday, our students have the opportunity to participate in a parade at the Motueka Kai Fest. Parents will need to organise transport there and back (shared rides would be a good idea!) and let us know at school who is planning to join in! The plan is for all students in the parade to assemble at Parklands School at 10:15 am and then return to Parklands School for "pick up" at 11:50 am.



**Ngatimoti Games** As a celebration of the Commonwealth Games, we are having our our games next Thursday 12 April. More details coming in next week's news!

**Enviro Leadership Challenge – Moturoa Mission at Rabbit Island** Eight of our enviro-leaders will be representing us next Wednesday at this day with the theme of "Building Resiliency for a Changing World". Lauren Milnes will be present, **but we need two parents who are able to participate with the teams please**. If your child is taking part please let us know if you are able to help out ☺ Good luck to Ocean, Ara, Madi, Henry, Jacob, Rupert, Nikau & Chico.

**Miniball – REGISTER AT THE SCHOOL OFFICE NOW** We are now seeking registrations for teams in the miniball competition run by the Recreation Centre in Motueka beginning in WEEK 2 NEXT TERM. Juniors (Year 3 & 4 students), and Intermediates (Year 5 & 6 students) play on Mondays after school. Seniors (Year 7 & 8 students) play on Fridays and there is a competitive and social grade for seniors. The cost to students will be \$15 per player for the term, payable to school. Transport to games is parent's responsibility. Amanda will submit our teams to the organisers on Friday 13th April so please register your name as soon as possible at the school office.

## **BOT News**

Every 5 years, the Board of Trustees is expected to submit a strategic plan to the Ministry of Education. This means that we will be consulting parents and students about the future direction of our school. Our current strategic plan has served us well, but this year we need to be reviewing it. Our vision for all students to become R.I.V.E.R. students, confident and able to navigate in a changing world has been supported by 5 strategic goals. Raising achievement in literacy and numeracy are just two of these. The others are

1. To encourage healthy and active contributors (Well being)
2. To develop creative inquirers and presenters (Creativity)
3. To foster culturally aware participants (Identity)

As an initial part of this review, you may be asked a few simple questions by a BOT member, such as *What is important for you about school? What makes you want to have your children at our school? What would you change if you could?*

If you do not get asked by a BOT member, but you would like to contribute any answers to these questions, please contact Ali. You can email her

[principal@ngatimoti.school.nz](mailto:principal@ngatimoti.school.nz) or pop in sometime for a chat!

**It is always great to see and hear what our students get up to when they leave Ngatimoti School.** In last week's Motueka High School termly newsletter, a large number of our ex-students were mentioned for a variety of accomplishments, ranging from NCEA results to participation and achievement in many extra curricular activities. As well as these high achievers, I have also heard of a number of students pursuing their dreams and/or being active and passionate citizens in the great wide world.

**Sailing and Sport for the Senior Class** Next week the Senior Class has the opportunity to learn to sail at Little Kaiteriteri, however there is a clash of events because on Monday it is the Year 7 and 8 Inter-School Summer Sports Day in Motueka. Eight students will miss this Sports Day on Monday to go sailing instead. (Thanks to those who were so obliging and offered this compromise!) On Tuesday, those who were at the Sports Day will go sailing. More information is on a separate Room 5 notice.



**Junior Touch** Josiah, Tui, Malachi & Beau at yesterday's Touch game – our Nippers won again - 5-2 - Woohoo!! Next week is finals week. Players will be notified if we make the draw.

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**150th Reunion of our School** As a part of this celebration, Fiona Nelson has offered to interview and type up some stories, memories or thoughts of Ngatimoti School. Please contact Fiona, or she might contact you, if you were once a student here and have something to share. Her phone number is 0204 160 1968. Alternatively you can email Fiona at [fcnel27@gmail.com](mailto:fcnel27@gmail.com)

**FRIDAY CAKES & JUICIES** Each Friday parents sell cakes & frozen Juicies for \$1 each at lunchtime. Students should still bring a healthy lunch but could also bring \$2 to buy a cake & a Juicie if they wish. Our lunch duty coordinator is Catherine (Beau, Louie & Chico's mum) Please check the duty roster for your name and if you are unable to do your duty please either swap with another parent or call Catherine on 526 8891. Please send your child with their money in a named purse.

Thank you parents, our cake sales raise approximately \$500 per term! ☺

**Week 9 – 6 April: Davina (Rupert) and Rebecca (Chase)**

Week 10 – 13 April: Bex (Arabella) and Emma (Jack/Liam)

**Children's Haircuts at the School – Friday 6<sup>th</sup> April** 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 April the 6<sup>th</sup> I am able to offer children's haircut appointments at Play Group, for \$10 a cut. I also have some times that would suit school children during morning tea and the lunch break. If these times don't suit, contact me and we can make an appointment to suit you. Contact Neisha on 035268342 or 02108207573 to book in your child's pre-holiday cut.

**Friday 4 May Kidpower session after school.** For more information please check out [www.kidpower.org.nz](http://www.kidpower.org.nz) Bookings close April 30th. **Cost: gold coin only. If you are keen to book please call the Kidpower office: 03 543 2669**

**Ngatimoti Playgroup adds Music!** Ngatimoti Playgroup runs from 9.15 - 12.15 every Friday at the school hall. Starting this week, we have Anne from 'Musical Beginnings' coming in to do music with the children & parents. Session will be approx. 45mins (up to 1 hour) Music will run from 9.30-10.30am. Playgroup just asks for a gold coin donation (per child) for the music session. If you intend on coming to the music session please be punctual at 9.30am. If you want to come to play group but not music you can still come along from 9.15am but play will be outside until 10.30am when the music session is finished. All welcome, you do not need to be a regular play group family to come to the music session. Anne is an amazing teacher and has been running regular music sessions at the Ngatimoti fire station, Mapua and also at several schools in the area including Ngatimoti.

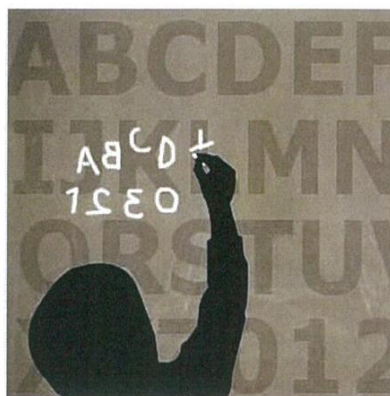
## **The Giggling Pony Equestrian Centre Kids Two Day Camps**

**Camp #1:** Monday 23rd April - Tuesday 24th April

**Camp #2:** Thursday 26th April - Friday 27th April

We will also be offering private lessons, riding experiences and parties during the holiday period.

Please visit our website [thegigglingpony.com](http://thegigglingpony.com) for more information or contact us directly on 541 9145 or 021 083 26 521



A SLD Nelson course for parents and teacher aides-

## Understanding Learning Difficulties: DYSLEXIA

**Category:** Dyslexia, specific learning difficulties, parents, teacher aides

**Date:** Every Tuesday evening, for six weeks, from 29 May to 3 July, 2018  
7-9pm

**Where:** Barnicoat Room, Tasman Library, entrance off Queen Street, Richmond

**Fee:**

Full 6-week Course Tuesdays 29 May - 3 July, 2018 To be paid by 12 April, 2018 (non-refundable)	General	SLD Members
	Fee \$60+gst	Fee \$40+gst

Late fee (If paid after 12 April, 2018)	\$80+gst	\$50+gst
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**LIMITED TO 30 PLACES**

[Register now](#)

Proudly organised for you by-



SLD (Specific Learning Difficulties) Nelson Inc is a local association that uses evidence-based information to work with SLD learners. They are a part of LDANZ.

SLD are grateful to all speakers who are donating their time and sharing their knowledge and resources.

[SLD Nelson website](#)

Parents and Teacher Aides are the people who sometimes feel the least able to help children or students who seem to be such a puzzle - these are the children who have quite different learning needs to most other children.

This course is designed to interest, support and educate Parents and Teacher Aides in the latest research, teaching materials and local resources. We hope to support the people, who work or live with students with specific learning difficulties, in a practical way.

### Programme

**Session 1 - 29 May**

Sue Michell - What is it like to have or live with someone with a specific learning difficulty? How might it affect learning and life in general?  
Ross Vennell - A research scientist at the Cawthron Institute, will share his own experiences.  
Kelvin Hardaker - A local RTLB, reflects on current support within local schools - what is available and who can help?

**Session 2 - 5 June**

Dr Paul Taylor - An expert in autism and the neurology of dyslexia, speaks and entertains groups all over New Zealand and has written an informative book on the subject.

**Session 3 - 12 June**

Lucy Brunwin - A children and young adults librarian, will explore resources and supports in place at the TDC library, and how to find high interest reading material.

**Session 4 - 19 June**

SLD teachers will:

- Demonstrate and share effective teaching materials and techniques.
- Literacy and multi-sensory learning - an emphasis on phonics.

**Session 5 - 26 June**

Helping you and your student find your way through the school system-

Nayland College staff-

- Ali Westerby - SLD Specialist Teacher: Assessment & classroom accommodations;
- Karen Thompson - Special Assessment Conditions (SAC) Coordinator;
- Michaela Nicholas - teacher and dyslexia student's parent;
- Members of the student-teacher Dyslexia Interest Group (DIG)

and-

- Catherine Barak (STEAMS School);
- Sarah Varey (MSL tutor, parent and advocate)

**Session 6 - 3 July**

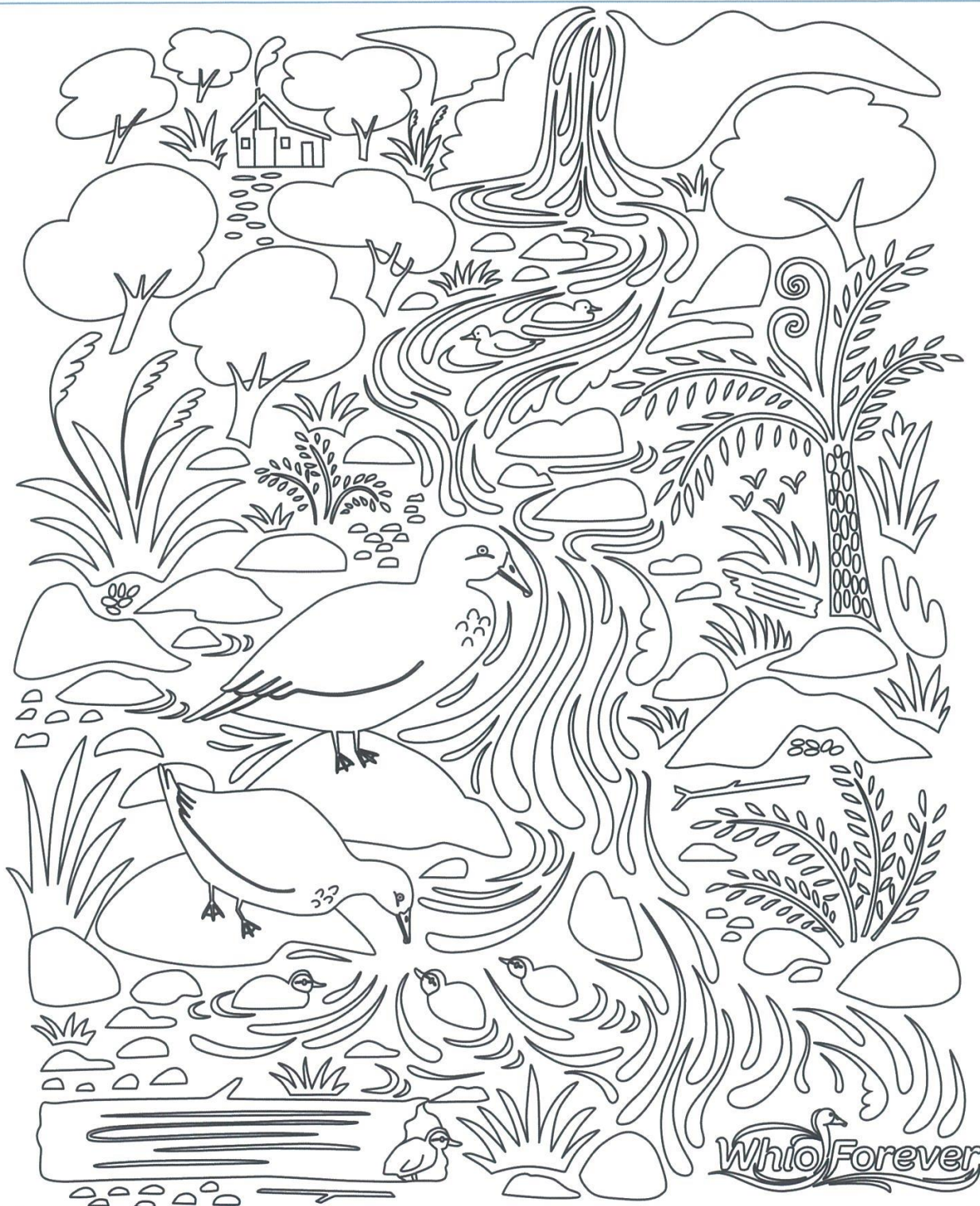
A practical workshop with a maths focus. Local SLD teachers demonstrate computer programmes, games and techniques to support numeracy.

**NGATIMOTI SCHOOL PARENTS;**

There are a couple of places left in our school minivan!

**PLEASE REGISTER YOUR INTEREST AT THE SCHOOL OFFICE BEFORE FRIDAY 6 APRIL.**





Whio are one of our most endangered native birds. They love to have fun in fast flowing rivers, but are always on the lookout for danger from predators like evil stoats.

Colour in the picture and you could WIN a prize! To find out more about whio visit [whioforever.co.nz](http://whioforever.co.nz)

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Entries close 27 April 2018

