## NGATIMOTI SCHOOL NEWSLETTER - WEEK 4 TERM 2 2018



# Wednesday 23 May – Raapa 23 Haratua

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#### **2018 TERM DATES**

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 150th celebration/reunion Saturday 20 Oct Ngatimoti Festival Sunday 21 October

Labour Day Monday 22 October

### What's coming up?

Week 5: Room 5 Sea Kayaking - 31 May

Rabbit Island Interschools Cross Country - Friday 1 June

Later in Term 2: BoT Meeting - Wednesday 20 June

Gymnastics Interschools Competition Y5/6 19 June

Gymnastics Y7/8 selected students; 20 June

#### CAMP DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

Room 3: Marahau 19-22 November Indigo Room: Marahau 12-16 November Room 5: Totaranui 3-7 December



Ed Stevens raises the trophy as Yellow House celebrate their cross country run. Thanks again to Marian for the fantastic photos.

Many thanks to eveyone who participated in our annual cross country. Special thanks to Mr Hepburn and Mrs Roberts for their organisational skills and HUGE thanks to Ed Stevens for letting us use his beautiful farm for our course. Selected students have been invited to represent us at the Motueka inter-school events to be held at Rabbit Island next week. Well done everyone!

Science learning This week we have been fortunate to have Maree O'Boyle from the University of Canterbury at our school. Maree has been working with teachers to help develop our students' questioning skills. Because science is always changing, we need to encourage students to ask investigative questions, and often there are no clear answers to such questions. For example, What do you think might happen? How would you describe what is happening? Is there another way we could look at this. This type of learning fits well with our whakatauki for the year: Ka mate kāinga tahi, ka ora kāinga rua. There is more than one way to achieve an objective.

Environmental Education Thanks to our enviro-leaders and Mrs Milnes for preparing and delivering our enviro-group learning this term. Our student leaders stepped up last week, and showed pride, respect for others and organisational skills. It is a relief that this week at least some groups will get to learn outside, even though it is cold and wet! Next Wednesday 30 May, Yellow and Red groups are working on activities off school grounds at the stream or wetlands. Please ensure your child brings gumboots and suitable outdoor clothing. Parent helpers welcome.

150th Celebrations: A small team has begun to organise a big weekend to celebrate Ngatimoti Schools's 150th anniversary. This will be held at Labour Weekend, to incorporate the Festival. On Saturday, 20 October, there will be a bus tour hosted by Ed Stevens, to look at changes around the valley. This will be followed by an official welcome and an afternoon tea. On Sunday everyone is invited to the Festival! Expressions of interest or registrations for the Saturday can be made at the school office. If you know anybody who might be interested in attending, please start spreading the word!





Chris & Tawn jump the ditch with speed and style in their cross country race last week

<u>The Power of Kindness</u> Congratulations to those who make our school a friendly and happy place to be! Thank you to those who have gone out of their way to care for and connect with somebody else this week.

High expectations and behaviour Staff have high expectations for your children, just as we are sure you do too! Our behaviour rules are based on our R.I.V.E.R. values and sometimes need to be adjusted to suit a situation. As adults we may not always get things right, but we do try our best to be fair. If your child comes home with their version of an event, there is often a bigger back story! Sometimes a little resiliency can be needed, and children might need to learn to let things go, or see things from a different perspective. You can support with this! An analogy we sometimes use is the river. The river has rocks which may be seen as obstacles. Sometimes when we are facing a problem, we need to be like the rock and hold true to our values or beliefs. Sometimes though, we need to be like the water, and find a way to flow around so we don't get caught up and not able to move forward! If you are concerned about an issue, please do not hesitate to talk to us, as we genuinely want the best for your child, and everyone else!

<u>NETBALL NEWS</u> Well done to last week's players of the day who were **Tui, Ada, Arabella** & **Kiwa**.

Ngatimoti Stars - Meet on court 1 at 8.50 am READY to start.

NB. The Stars will practice Tuesday lunchtimes from next week.

Ngatimoti Ferns - Meet at the courts at 9.30 am to warm up.

Ngatimoti Diamonds - Please meet at the courts at 1.30pm

Tasmin and Isis - you are both down to umpire at 10 am.

Fundraising this Saturday. Please could all parents supply some home baking for the stall and help out on the stall throughout the day on Saturday, also huge thanks to Lucy who has offered to make a pot of soup. We will be set up on the grass area behind court 1. This is our one opportunity to raise some much-needed funds, hopefully for some new uniforms.

<u>Subs</u> for the season now need to be paid asap. Lou needs to pay Motueka Netball by the end of the month: Year 7/8 \$80, year 5/6 \$50 and year 3/4 \$35, Please pay Lou directly or into account 11 7426 0018373 55 (apologies for last week's mistake with that). Thanks to those who have already paid. Lou 5268815 or 0210457798.



Sanne, Kiwa, Ada & Tawn in action on the netball courts, with Tasmin umpiring. Special thanks to teachers Mrs. Milnes, Mrs. Roberts and Mr. Hepburn for coming along to the courts to support our teams.

**Miniball** Our miniballers suffered their first defeat this Monday, but not all is lost! Good effort! Next Monday 28 May we have a bye.

FRIDAY CAKES \$1 Each Friday parents sell cakes for \$1 each at 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) 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!

Fri 25 May	Friday 1 June	Friday 8 June	Friday 15 June	Friday 22 June	Friday 29 June	Friday 6 July
Damara	Suntah	Hobbit	John H	Wendy	Luke	Leonie
Vanessa	Nicola H	Emma K	Brent	Helena	Georgie	Tracey