

NGATIMOTI SCHOOL NEWSLETTER - WEEK 9 TERM 2 2020

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Term Dates

TERM 2 2020: Wed 15 April – Fri 3 July

TERM 3 2020: Mon 20 July – Fri 25 Sept

TERM 4 2020: Mon 12 Oct – Wed 16 Dec

Festival Day: Sunday 25 October

Labour Day Holiday: Mon 26 October



Please return any school library books you have at home. We have many books missing!

Hand sanitiser for sale: 60ml = \$3 from the office.



11-12 June: Year 8 day trips to Whenua Iti

12 June: Year 7 Motec at Motueka Skate Park

24 June: Board of Trustees Meeting



Happy Birthday to **Pedro** who is 7 years old today and **Yuri** who will be 9 years old this Friday. Have a great day both of you, from everyone here at School!



This week we welcome **Rowena Wood** to our school who is spending the next three weeks with us for her teacher training placement. Rowena will spend most of her time here in the Junior room. Welcome Rowena, we hope you are enjoying your time here with us!



Our Student Councillors have designed a colourful 'viewing circle' and have been installing it underneath our entranceway. *Stella carefully sets a compass in concrete and Eloise, Nikau & Kaisami continue working on the sun!*

Woohoo! I am sure you were as pleased as I was to hear the Prime Minister's announcement about moving to Alert Level 1. For us, there will be no major changes to what we are doing and our school continues to be safe to attend, including any staff and children who are considered more vulnerable to COVID. We have a good cleaning routine in place, people who are sick are staying at home and we continue to encourage good hygiene practices. We will be reinforcing hand washing and/or sanitising throughout the winter months in particular, and although physical distancing is not a requirement, **where possible or practicable** we encourage this when you are around people you don't know. We are supporting contact tracing by having a QR code poster at our entrance – so if you haven't already downloaded the NZ COVID Tracer app the Ministry of Health's [NZ-COVID Tracer app page](#) has information to help you do that. What is changing is we can now look forward to inter-school sport, cultural events and performances and to welcoming all of our school community on site for these activities. We are also planning some class excursions. Coming up soon will be a Student Council team building session with Tiegan Maru, our Enviro Leaders will have a day in the Abel Tasman on 19 June, Year 7 students will have a session at the Motueka Skate Park this Friday, and our Year 8 students will be based at Whenua Iti Outdoors Centre for 2 days of leadership skills this Thursday and Friday. Cakes will be available for sale again this Friday and the drinking fountains can now be used, although students are still encouraged to bring their own bottle of water to school.

We are very fortunate to have two buses provided free for our students. To be eligible, there are a number of conditions. One of these is that the student should live further than 3.2km from school. The bus company is looking into this again now. With winter driving, the Baton bus route is taking longer and so as of NEXT MONDAY, the pickup times for all BATON BUS students will be 10 minutes earlier. If you have any concerns, please contact Ali.

Reports and Parent/Student/Teacher Meetings

We are about half way through our meetings to discuss progress, how your child is at school and how we can all work together to ensure ongoing progress. These meetings have already brought up some excellent discussion points and we look forward to seeing more families over the coming weeks. The resulting paper report highlights some key competencies which are a part of the NZ Curriculum. Together decisions about the strengths your child shows at school are highlighted. We use a system of 'tickled pink' and 'growing green'. This means that what is highlighted in pink is deemed a strength and what is highlighted in green is an area of focus.



On Tuesday 9 June 2020, a builder named Jack came into the class to talk to us about his career.

Mr Hepburn had been talking about him a lot and we were all excited to have him come here. We pestered him with many questions, but he kept his patience and answered them fully. We learned a lot from him and I think the people who want to be builders - hands up Lexus, Zane - now know a lot more about this job. Thanks Jack! By Ada, Room 5

PARENT GROUP NEWS: FRIDAY CAKES ARE BACK!! Every week on Fridays, we have a parent roster where parents take their turn to provide cakes to sell to student for a dollar each. Frozen Juicies are also for sale to students for \$1 each. Our parent lunch coordinator is Catherine Chick (Louie, Chico, Beau & Rua's mum) - contact 021 761 764 if you need to rearrange your cake duty day. Our baking profits raise approximately \$500 per term for our students! Where you see your name please provide around 24 cup cakes, muffins or slices and come along at lunchtime to help serve if you are able to. If not, no problem, send in some cakes or contact Catherine. The roster for the rest of this term is as below:

Friday 12 June: Annie (Alex/Benji) and Catherine (Louie, Chico, Beau, Rua)

Friday 19 June: Bex (Arabella/Orianna) and Sam/Jinx (Bella)

Friday 26 June: Georgie (Cayla) and Rebecca (Quinn)

Friday 3 July: Suntah (Kalahni/Haze) and Sky (Ara)

Ngatimoti Festival - Sun 25 October.

We have a Festival to organise!! A meeting will happen soon and the majority of Festival organisation will happen in T3.

Netball Thank you for registering for this year's long awaited netball season! If you are still to register with Motueka Netball Centre, please pop onto the website and fill in the player registration form.

Year 3&4 and Y 5&6; Netball will start for you at the beginning of Term 3, we will have our first practice sessions after school on Friday July 24th, and our first games in Motueka the following day on July 25th. The season will then run for eight weeks.

Y 7&8 will continue to train after school on a Tuesday with their first competition game on Sat June 27.

Y 1&2; Still a work in progress, but I will let you know when I have organized something.

Subs for the season are payable now; year 3&4 = \$20, year 5&6 = \$25 and year 7&8= \$30. Please pay either directly to Lou, or online into the **Ngatimoti School Netball account 03 1354 0468895 00** (please note, this is not the school account). Thank you, Lou

COMMUNITY NOTICES

PINE CONES FOR SALE

Freddie, Pedro and Tui are selling sacks of pinecones again.

\$5 sack.

Can be collected from stall at 915 Thorpe-Orinoco Rd, or txt 021 2400 416 for a **Tue or Fri** am school drop off.

FRUIT FOR SALE

Alex and Benji are selling fruit:

Feijoas = \$10 for 5kg

Persimmons = \$5 for 2kg

Lemons = \$1 for 4

Text Annie 021 064 3232

LOGGING - GREENHILL ROAD

We have been notified by a neighbour of their intentions to bring approximately 25 truckloads of logs out of Greenhill Road in the near future. Parents, please bear this in mind when parking, arriving or leaving school. Take care and do not park in front of any gateways. Thank you.

MINIBALL AT THE RECREATION CENTRE - REGISTER NOW FOR TERM 3

Miniball registrations are now open. Games begin at the Motueka Recreation Centre in the week beginning 27 July. Juniors (Y3/4) play on Tuesdays, Intermediates (Y5/6) on Mondays, and Seniors (Y7/8) on Wednesdays. There is a new form for parents to complete to register your child - ask at the school office.