



Ngatimoti School Newsletter Week Four, Term Four 2023

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TERM FOUR 2023 ends on Monday 18 December. Teacher Only Day – 20 November

TERM ONE 2024 begins on Wednesday 31 January.

WEEK FOUR	WEEK FIVE	WEEK SIX	WEEK SEVEN	WEEK EIGHT	WEEK NINE	WEEK TEN
 Athletics 11am Sausages \$3 Cakes \$1 Juicies \$1 Festival Meeting 3pm ☺	Room 1 & 4 visit Bark Bay on Tuesday 7 Nov. Board Meeting Wed 8 Nov 6pm Talent Show Friday 10 Nov	Interschool Athletics 8-10yrs – Tues 14 th 11-13yrs – Wed 15 th Motueka High Parent's evening Thursday 16 th John Parsons – Friday 17 th Nov Parents mtg 9am Motueka High School Orientation Day for Y8 students on Friday 17 th too.	Teacher Only Day Monday 20 th Nov Room 5 Riversafe Friday 24 th Nov	Room 4 visit Motueka Library Monday 27 Nov Room 1 interschools Kapa Haka Friday 1 Dec	Marae visit TBC	Enviroleader's trip to Flora Hut Monday 11 Dec Glenn's Music Recital – all of Glenn's music students will perform on Tuesday 12 Dec. Friday 15 Dec End of year assembly

THIS FRIDAY 3 NOVEMBER is Gumboot Friday. This is a national campaign to raise awareness of mental health issues, and we will tie this in with our **School Athletics day**. We intend to donate our cake and Juicie funds to this cause on the day, and any additional cash donations are welcome. Donations from the day will be made to the charity I am Hope. For more details on Gumboot Friday go to <https://www.gumbootfriday.org.nz/>

What a week! We have had happy learners and Halloween, newspaper publicity and ATYA celebrations, chicken pox and Covid, and today we have had some extremely sad news about one of the ATYA leaders, Matua Eric, who sadly passed away last night as the result of an accident. Many of us are in shock today. Our thoughts are with his whānau and iwi, Ngāti Tama. A mighty totara has fallen.



Last weekend a celebration was held to farewell our ATYA leaders for 2023, Jack, Ella, Ruby & Liam, along with a welcome powhiri for next year's leaders, Jordan, Leah, Nico & Grace. They are pictured above with Matua Eric, our very own Lauren Milnes, and Project Janszoon representative Brooke Turner.

Our Ngatimoti School Athletics Day is this Friday, beginning at 11am. This year all classes will participate, and teachers will record those who meet the standards and who can be invited to the inter-school athletics day held at Lower Moutere school in two weeks' time. The aim of our day is for everyone to have a go, do their best and support others. We will rotate around the jumping and throwing activities and have the running events starting at approximately 2 pm after lunch. Parents, whānau and friends are welcome to come along to support at any time. We'd love some help from parents to run the activities too – shout out if you are able to help – thank you!

This Friday, the Year 8 students are holding a Spectacular Sausage Sizzle for only \$3 each to raise money for their 2023 Leavers Hoodies. Come along to our School Athletics Day and enjoy a juicy, sizzling delight while watching your child race, leap, and throw!

Watch out! You better not miss the very BEST talent and entertainment in Ngatimoti!

Next Friday 10 November, our Student Council is hosting an amazing display of talent and skill. Each class will put on a fantastic group show, and your own child can also display their very own unique and stunning talent. Anything from singing and dancing to jokes and magic tricks, everyone is welcome to come and enjoy the show.

FESTIVAL - we are not quite finished with Festival yet! On Friday at 3 pm, straight after Athletics Day, there will be a Parents' meeting to celebrate another fantastic Festival and to discuss feedback. It would be great to have as many people there as possible because Festival is all about people. If you are unable to attend please send your comments, suggestions etc to office@ngatimoti.school.nz or Parents Group Secretary Phoebe.quinlivan@gmail.com 😊



Our swimming pool will be opening next Wednesday. Ian has been busy cleaning and preparing it, and after a water test it should be ready to go by Wednesday for **optional lunchtime swims only at this stage**. Pool keys for the season will become available for sale following next week's board meeting.



Room 1 students are loving a new set of picture books we have bought for the library! Little angels!

Change of season colds and other lurgies around seem to hit hardest when we are overtired, overwhelmed or a bit run down. Parents, please use the weekends for some rest for your children.

Barry and a boat Next week a new addition to our playground will arrive, thanks to Barry and his astute shopping skills! We look forward to a 'new' old boat that we plan to sand, paint, and resurrect as a new play space. If anybody would like to come to school on Tuesday to help prepare the boat, we would appreciate some help. Even better if you have a sander or a paintbrush!!



Happy Birthday to me, hehe – thanks for all your birthday wishes, flowers and treats, I feel very appreciated! *Amanda*. Best wishes most of all to our students **Manu and Tadhg** who both celebrated their 10th birthdays on Festival weekend, and I neglected to acknowledge that last week – hope you both had awesome birthdays, from everyone here at school!

INDOOR SOCCER at Motueka Recreation Centre. Our teams are going great in the indoor soccer competition this term. Our 'Middles' team welcomes River and Lacie – good luck tonight for your 5.30pm game vs. LMS. Thanks to those who have paid your fees to school. The School Minivan will be going to Bark Bay next Tuesday so the senior team will need to be transported to the Recreation Centre by parents for their 4pm game. Please check with Ali each week to make sure the van is available if you need it to transport the team to town. Have fun!

FRIDAY CAKES! Each Friday please send your child with one dollar for a piece of cake if you wish. We will also sell frozen Juicies for \$1 each. Students should also bring a healthy lunch on Fridays (or buy a sausage for \$3 this week). Baking is on a parent roster; watch out for your name below. Our Parents Group Cake Coordinator is Kristin, text 027 470 8224 or email kristinmcfarland@hotmail.co.nz to change your roster date if need be.

Term Four Friday cake duty: **Friday 3 November: Andy (Maggie & William) and John (Pete & Rita)**

Friday 10 November: Sam (Bella & Connor) and Brent (Stella)

Friday 17 November: Sophie (Zeph) and Jess (Lacie)

Friday 24 November: Tao (George & Madi) and Tupou (Sina & Zac)

Friday 1 December: Sam (Ruby) and James (Mollie)