



# Ngatimoti School Newsletter

## Week Three, Term One 2024



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2024 Term 1: Wed 31 Jan – Fri 12 April

Good Friday 29 March, Easter Monday 1 April.

Tuesday 2 April is also a school holiday.

Thursday 25 April is ANZAC Day (in school holidays)

Term 2: Monday 29 April – Friday 5 July

King's Birthday Holiday Monday 3 June, Matariki Friday 28 June

Term 3: Monday 22 July – Friday 27 Sept

Term 4: Monday 14 October - Wednesday 18 Dec.

Festival Day is Sunday 27 October.

### REMINDERS

- To register for Term 1 volleyball, touch rugby, netball or ki-o-rahi let Amanda know in the office before **this Friday**.
- Motec donation payments for year 7 & 8 students are \$80 per student. Payable to the school account above. Thank you to all of you who have paid already!
- Room 1 students will no longer swim on Wednesdays



**It's camp year!** Dates have been confirmed for this year's class camps. Room 5 students will go to Totoranui from 2 – 6 December. Rooms 3 & 4 will go to Marahau Outdoor Education Centre from 11-15 November. Room 1 camp is yet to be confirmed.

**ROOM 1 & 3 Literacy meetings tonight!** Thank you to those of you who can support these meetings tonight. Our teachers really do want the best outcomes for your children, and so by coming along to hear what they are doing to develop reading, writing, and spelling skills, you are acknowledging their commitment, you have an opportunity to meet others and you might learn some strategies too!

You are welcome to bring siblings, and Ali and Jade will provide a sausage in bread and have some activities for them. This will include Mrs Roberts' bouncy slide to finish!

Thanks also to those who have let us know that they cannot manage a meeting tonight. Hopefully you will be available for the next session next Wednesday 21 February.

**Announcing the 2024 Enviro Leaders** Congratulations to the following students who applied to be a Ngatimoti School enviro-leader for 2024: **Grace, Leah N, Jordan, Nico, Stella, Sahara, Pedro, Alex, Makaira, River, Poppy, and Leia**. Thank you for offering to take on this responsibility. We are sure you will make great leaders, learn more about the environment and have fun as a group! The first excursion for the school Enviro-leadership team is on next Thursday 22 February, when Mrs Milnes is taking this group to the Nelson Museum to see the Animal Antics Comedy Photography exhibition.

This weekend the four ATYA leaders (**Grace, Leah N, Jordan and Nico**) are off to Totoranui with student leaders from Lower Moutere, Motupipi, Motueka High, Waimea College and Golden Bay High School. This weekend will be challenging in lots of ways, but we know that by using their RIVER values, our students will learn heaps and have a lot of fun!



Thank you to Lynette for donating the huge box of delicious plums today for all of us to share. We would love to receive more donations of fruit for our students if you have a surplus at home.



Today our thirteen Year 8 students have been at the Motueka Rec Centre learning about leadership. A key word has been manaakitanga. In part, this means learning to lift others up. Some of the ways this is done is through positive communication and trusting others.




Well done to all our Year 8s for great communication today, which included lots of active listening.

Everyone was able to demonstrate trust through activities and the use of the climbing wall.

We are looking forward to a performance from **STRIKE at 1.30pm next Monday 19 Feb in the Indigo Room**. We welcome all families to join us for this along with students from Dovedale School. STRIKE is an interactive, high energy 50-minute show that introduces students to a broad range of modern percussion styles from around the world. Thanks to your hard work there is no charge - this is a festival funded show not to be missed!



**Phones in schools** You may have heard about the new Government regulation that means that all state schools must ensure students do not use or access a phone whilst attending school, including during lunch times and break. This also includes students who are on a school course or visit outside the school grounds. This is no real change for us at Ngatimoti School! Our rules also include that no phones are to be on the buses.

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SAT / SUN
12 Feb	13 Feb	14 Feb  Reading Together 5-7pm	15 Feb	16 Feb Cakes & Juicies MoTec Y7/8 ATYA retreat	17/18 Feb ATYA retreat
19 Feb  STRIKE! 1.30pm performance 😊 Families welcome!	20 Feb	21 Feb Reading Together 5-6pm Board Mtg	22 Feb Enviroleaders' trip to Nelson Museum	23 Feb Cakes & Juicies MoTec Y7/8	24/25 Feb
26 Feb	27 Feb	28 Feb Life Education - all classes	29 Feb Life Education - all classes	1 March Cakes & Juicies MoTec Y7/8	2/3 March
4 March 	5 March Room 4 students Mana Whaitaiki at Kaiteriteri	6 March	7 March	8 March	9/10 March

**Class Swimming EVERY DAY: 11am R4, 11.45am R5, 1.30pm R1 (not wed), 2.15pm R3.**

**TEAM SPORTS OPPORTUNITIES THIS TERM** Please let Amanda know at the school office if you want to be included in a team **BEFORE THIS FRIDAY 16 FEBRUARY**. Do not pay any money to school until teams are confirmed. Transport to and from games is the responsibility of parents/caregivers, however the school van may be available for use.

VOLLEYBALL	TOUCH RUGBY	NETBALL	KI-O-RAHI
For Y3 – 8 students At MotHigh School Gym Cost \$30 per player / term Tuesdays between 4pm and 6.30pm	For Y1 – 8 students At Motueka Rec Centre \$15 per player for the term Y3/4 & 5/6 Tuesdays Y1/2 & 7/8 Wednesdays	For Y3 – 8 students At Motueka Rec Centre \$15 per player / term Mondays after school Referee opportunities too.	For Y6-8 students At Motueka Rec Centre \$15 per player / term Thursdays after school

**Cakes and Juicies for sale each Friday.** Each Friday we have a parent baking roster to provide cakes for sale to our students. Funds raised go towards parent group funds. Watch out for your name on the termly roster and when it's your duty day, please bake enough for approximately 30 pieces of cake/slice to sell for \$1 each. It would be helpful if you label any special ingredients, e.g. gluten free, too. Each Friday, please send your child with \$1 for a cake and \$1 for a Juicie if you wish. They should also bring a healthy lunch on Fridays. **Thanks to Laura Townley for stepping up to the job of cake roster coordinator.** You can contact Laura on 022 084 2606. For the rest of this term:

**16 Feb: Tui (Tadhg, Cora, Ria) & Jinx (Bella & Connor)**

23 Feb: Chops (Tui, Pedro, Freddie) & Jen (Pete & Rita)

1 Mar: Jordan (Reign) & Justina (Sol)

8 Mar: Kathryn (Grace) & Sasha (Max)

15 Mar: Shannon (Poppy, Ardy, Lacie) & Cat (Beau & Rua)

22 March: Annie (Benji) & Nele (Manu & Maya)

29 March: Easter Friday. No school.

5 April: Becks (Chase) & Marlene (Marius)

12 April: Alisa (Luke & Theia) & Emma (Jack & Liam)

**Notification of Parent Group AGM** All parents and caregivers are valuable members of Ngatimoti School Parents' Group! Current office holders are Annie (Chair), Kathryn (Treasurer) and Phoebe (Secretary). The Annual General Meeting is planned for **FRIDAY 15 MARCH, 3pm** at Rathgar House. This follows our whole school triathlon, and we hope many of you can come along. Mark your diaries!

**Cycleway Construction Update:** The section of the new cycleway between Peninsula Bridge and River Haven Cafe should be completed over the next two weeks. This will mean more traffic management will be in place between Peninsula Bridge and the school. The Cycle Trails Trust thanks the community for their patience and tolerance!

**Speed limit changes** The Motueka Valley Association has been working with the School Board and the Cycle Trail Trust to try & get the speed limit reduced past Ngatimoti School for some time now. The Tasman District Council currently has its Speed Management Plan out for consultation **until 29 February**. Both the board and MVA have made submissions, but it would be great to get more individual submissions, particularly in support of the speed changes around School. The MVA submission is attached to this emailed newsletter – a paper copy can be obtained from the school office. Feel free to use any elements of the MVA submission in making your own to [safespeeds@tasman.govt.nz](mailto:safespeeds@tasman.govt.nz).