



Ngatimoti School Newsletter

Week Eleven, Term One 2024



Wednesday 10 April 2024

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2024 Term 1: Wed 31 Jan – Fri 12 April

Thursday 25 April is ANZAC Day (in the holidays)

Term 2: Monday 29 April – Friday 5 July

King's Birthday Holiday Monday 3 June, Teacher only day

Tues 4 June. Matariki holiday 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

CAMP DATES: R3/4 11-15 November, R5 2-6 December.

Room 1 students will spend one evening at Quinney's Bush in the week 2-6 December.



Pool Keys should now be returned to the school office to receive your \$10 refund.

Motec Payments Thanks to those who have paid your Motec materials donation of \$80 for year 7 & 8 students. Payments can be made with cash or direct credit to 03 1354 0359568 00

What is coming up in Term Two?

Week 1: Back to school Monday 29 April.

Student progress reports will be sent home with the newsletter Week 1 next term.

Tues 30 April: Whaea Beth will be having parent teacher meetings from 1pm – 4pm for Room 1 students. Please contact beth@ngatimoti.school.nz or the school office to make a time if you have not yet done so. Thank you.

A series of 4 art rotations begin on Wednesdays from 1 May.

Week 2: Wed 8 May: First netball practices after school.

Fri 10 May: Deadline to register for Kiwi CAM Exams

Week 3: Wed 15 May: Board mtg 6pm

Thurs 16 May: School Photos

Fri 17 May: Pink Shirt Day

Week 4: Tues 21 May: Bob Bickerton performs here at school.



Thank you to everyone who has helped make Ngatimoti School a happy place of learning this term. Recently all students completed a short survey based on **Fun, Feelings and Friendships** at school. Trends from these are showing that the large majority of students are happy at school, are engaged and have people who support them.

This term all classes have learned about Maui Fishing up the North Island, and teachers created learning arising from this. Rocks and geology have featured, and the Senior Class enjoyed an opportunity to learn more about waka hourua on Monday at Kaiteretere. What a fantastic event this is, and tonight there is a free light show on too. All welcome, 7 pm at Kaiteretere beach.

Our refreshed school vision is to “Navigate together, with purpose and pride” and having parents, students and teachers working together for the best learning outcomes is our ideal. Sometimes we have had to navigate some tricky moments, learning to be in a new class, or with a new teacher, having to deal with a scary bike accident, or the new building project starting. Preparing learners for a diverse and changing world is one of our Board's goals, and within this we have two initiatives.

1. Growing learners' confidence
2. Developing lifelong learning capabilities.

If you have noticed progress in your child's confidence over the term, I would love to know! I see more students more willing to stand in front of a group to speak, and I hear more students talking about their learning goals. What have you noticed in your child? I would love to hear from you, even small examples or ideas! Thanks, Ali.

Coaching our Kids Through Big Feelings



WITH ELEN NATHAN, OCCUPATIONAL THERAPIST AND SENSORY INTEGRATION PRACTITIONER

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Lower Moutere Memorial Hall, Moutere, Nelson

Thursday 11th April 2024 6.30pm - 8.00pm



Happy Birthday to Tara on your 9th birthday today! Glenn will celebrate his big 5-0 tomorrow, and we hope you both enjoy your special celebrations, from everyone here at school!

Congratulations to everyone who has helped to make **YELLOW House** our overall winning house this term! On Thursday there will be a celebration for all Yellow House students!



ANZAC day this year is during the holidays (Thursday 25 April).

The laying of a wreath and short service begins at 10.30 a.m. at St James Church, Waiwhero Road. This year we are expecting many visitors to this service, many of them ex-students of Ngatimoti School and it would be wonderful to see as many of our current students representing us there as possible. Our advice is to come early! Everybody is welcome to this community event.

Attendance You might have heard the government's announcement yesterday about attendance. Regular attendance is defined as a student going to class more than 90 percent of the time. The large majority of our Ngatimoti students have great attendance, however some are having on average one day a week off school, and this means that their attendance drops to only 80%. Sometimes this one day is for medical reasons, but sometimes it is for unjustified reasons, such as having an extended weekend holiday, helping at home, or going to town. The media is reporting that in Term 3 last year, the NZ attendance rate was 45.9%, and so Ngatimoti School stacks up well against that! Our current whole school attendance rate is 85%. The only justified reason for students to be absent is for medical reasons.

Next term we continue learning based on a Maui legend, with a focus on Maui and the Goddess of Fire. We also have lots of art and creativity on offer, with arts rotations, Dancing with Dean, shows by Bob Bickerton and El Gregoe.



Amanda Cole, Returning Officer

Board News Nominations are open for the election of 3 parent representatives to the school board. All eligible voters should have received a nomination form. Use the form to nominate yourself or someone in our community. You should also have received a nomination cover letter calling for nominations. If you need more nomination forms, contact the school office. **Nominations close at noon on Wednesday 24 April – note this is within the school holidays.** You may provide a signed candidate statement and photograph with your nomination to office@ngatimoti.school.nz If more than 3 nominations are received, an election will follow, and voting will close at 4pm on Wed 29 May 2024.

Policies & Procedures Our school works with SchoolDocs for our policies and procedures.

SchoolDocs updates, modifies, or creates policies in response to changes in legislation or Ministry guidelines, significant events, reviews/requests from schools, and regular reviewing from the SchoolDocs team.

Our board and parents can view and comment on our policies. If you are interested, particularly if you are considering joining the board, you can see the latest reviews at <https://ngatimoti.schooldocs.co.nz/>

LOGIN: Ngatimoti PASSWORD: river

Motueka Netball A notice has been sent home to all registered netball players this week. If you did not receive it, please ask Amanda for another copy. You must register yourself on the Motueka Netball system through the link provided. Subs are now due. Practices begin on Wednesday 8 May (Week two).

Sport Tasman Indoor Sports **TOMORROW AT 12noon** is the deadline to register players for the indoor sports leagues at the Recreation Centre. Let Amanda know before then if you wish your child to play – note, we do not have enough players to form our own teams, so your child will be put in a team with other schools:

Football: Year 3/4 play Mondays, Yr 5/6 play Wednesdays, Yr 7/8 Tuesdays.

Hockey: Year 5/6 play Fridays, Year 7/8 play Thursdays.

Miniball: Year 3/4 & 5/6 play Tuesdays, Year 7/8 play Wednesdays.

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. **Laura Townley is our parent cake roster coordinator.** You can contact Laura on 022 084 2606.

NGATIMOTI / FESTIVAL RECIPE BOOK Our wonderful teacher aide, Anna, has had a great idea to put together and publish a Ngatimoti School / Festival cookbook, potentially to sell at this year's Festival. If you have any fantastic, favourite recipes, sweet or savoury, that you are willing to share we would love to include them. Photos would be great too, and of course who to credit the recipes to! Send to anna@ngatimoti.school.nz or office@ngatimoti.school.nz asap. Yum!!

Motueka Valley Association Meeting tomorrow, Thurs 11 April 7pm

Tasman District Council will be attending this meeting at the Ngatimoti Community Rooms, 1425 Mot Valley Highway, to present and ask for feedback on their long-term plan consultation document. Come along and have your say on how your rates will be spent, and you can also send in your own feedback online via the Shape Tasman page.



Wishing you all happy and safe holidays. See you back at school for Term 2 on Monday 29 April. Happy holiday birthdays to Luke, Stella, Chase and Thea! Have fun all of you!!

TERM ONE PARENT BAKING ROSTER
12 April: Alisa (Luke & Theia) Emma (Jack & Liam)
TERM TWO
3 May: Brooke (Xavier) Lynette (Jack)
10 May: Bex (Orianna, Milena) Rebecca (Quinn, Tara)
17 May: Rachael (Leia) Meeka (Aniah)

April School Holidays Nature Sessions

Bushcraft, foraging, whittling, nature crafts, nature awareness and fun adventures.

5-14 year olds
9am-3pm, 16th Lower Moutere, 17th Native Skills and 18th Kina Beach
\$55 per day

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