NGATIMOTI SCHOOL NEWSLETTER - WEEK 3 TERM 3 2020



Wednesday 5 August - Raapa 5 Hereturikokā

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Term Dates

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

Board of Trustees: There is an opportunity to be co-opted onto our Board of Trustees. The next meeting is to be held next Wednesday 12 August at 5.30pm. If you are interested to find out more, contact Ali or Sophie 02102206977

Swimming Pool Key Holders Please return your key to the office asap if you have not yet done so. To claim your \$10 deposit please return before the end of this term, thank you.

<u>BIRTHDAY GREETINGS!</u> Congratulations to **Bella** who has celebrated her 7th Birthday this week. **Flint** is excited to be turning 7 years old this weekend too! Best wishes both of you, from everyone here at school.

Here are some dates for your diaries:

Week 3: 5 - 6 Aug - Life Education Truck here.

Week 4: Math Week

12 Aug: School Cross Country competition for all students

12 Aug: Board of Trustees meeting - 5.30pm at school

14 Aug: Southern Dash (aka Variety Club) visit before lunch ©

Week 5: Conservation Week

18 Aug: Motec Technology Challenge for selected Year 5/6 students Environmental Education sessions will run each Wednesday from 19 August for four weeks.

20 Aug: Winter Sports Tournament for Room 4 students

21 Aug: Winter Sports Tournament for Room 5 students

Week 6: 28 Aug: Rabbit Island Cross Country for qualifying students

Week 7: 1 Sep: Hot Shots Tennis Coaching for all classes

Week 8: 8 Sep: Tennis coaching, final session

Week 9: We are looking forward to six te reo sessions over the next couple of weeks with River ©

16 Sep: Epro8 Technology Challenge for selected Year 5-8 students

16 Sep: Board of Trustees meeting

Week 10: 23 Sep: Year 5/6 Library Quiz (selected students)

Student Led Conferences are planned for the final week of term

ou, from everyone here at school.





Motueka High School Open Evening Of the three Year 9 students chosen to introduce the Open Evening at Motueka High School last night, it was great to see a past student, Pipiri, speaking to a crowded hall of people. Whilst public speaking like this is not every one's cup of tea, it is fantastic to see so many of our students taking opportunities at High School, and making great choices. It is an exciting time for our Year 8s, but if any parents have any worries please let us know. Students will all have at least one orientation day at High School, and some may get more.

One of the success indicators for student success is attendance. 'Regular' attendance is defined as 90% or higher. However the Ministry of Education analysis shows every day has a cumulative impact on a child's learning and there is no 'safe' level of non-attendance. Every day matters. (Of course, if your children are unwell, please keep them home and let us know what the sickness is!)

Well done to Mrs Milnes and our four ATYA leaders, Sophie, Riley, Kalahni and Sanne for a successful collaboration of environmental learning last weekend with four other schools.

On Saturday 1 August, our four ATYA students drove over Takaka Hill for our winter retreat at Totaranui homestead. While we were there, we had so much fun with our fellow youth ambassadors while learning about Taupo Point, designing tracking tunnels, doing team building and lots more. Thank you to Mrs Milnes, Mr Mackenzie, Mrs Sorensen, Mrs Cullen, Mr Fitzsimmons and Brooke for enabling us to go. By Sophie



Health



As a part of our health programme, the Life Education truck is here delivering an awesome array of lessons based around friendships, choices or using digital devices safely. **Parents are most welcome to join a lesson tomorrow.** The Seniors have a lesson at 9 till 10:30 a.m, Room 1 from 11 till 11:45 a.m. and then Room 3 from 11:45 till 12:30. Mrs Milnes' class of Room 4 students has a lesson from 1:30 till 2:30 pm.













WHOLE SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY NEXT WEDNESDAY 12 AUGUST - 1pm

Next Wednesday all students will participate in our school cross country run. Following an early lunch we will walk up to Ed Steven's paddock up Greenhill Road for the races to begin. Parents are most welcome to come along and enjoy the fun. We encourage students to wear suitable running shoes, and perhaps bring a change of clothes if wet. We know we have some fantastic RIVER runners here at Ngatimoti! Have fun everyone!

Safety at school The safety of your children at school is very important to us! Some of our safety rules include:

- Scooters and bikes must have hand grips and no metal should be exposed. Ask your child to explain this to you!
- Nobody should ever, at any time, climb on the outside of the playground.
- Nobody should ever, at any time, bike, scooter or run around the buildings; including after school & weekends.
- We have had a number of bumps to the head lately, for a variety of reasons. E.g. playing rugby, slipping off the playground, running into another person. It is our procedure to contact a parent if this happens. Please check we have all of your contact details, including your emergency contact person.

Pokemon cards and other 'treasures' at school The Pokemon craze is alive and well at school, and for the majority of the time, children are being respectful and responsible. We have had a few 'learning opportunities' arising this last week or so, with honesty, fairness and kindness being topics for discussion around Pokemon cards. Many students have shown incredible kindness and generosity when others' cards have gone missing. Thank you! We ask that Pokemon tins are now clearly named on the back, and that cards are kept in the classrooms rather than in school bags. Being responsible for treasures brought to school is really an individual's responsibility and so we do not encourage particularly treasured items to come to school.

Lexia reading programme We are trialling the Lexia reading programme for everyone this term. It is a computer based programme that is additional to teaching programmes, and also includes the ability for students to work through activities at home. Like most computer programmes, it is best used with adult eyes every now and then, and chats with the child about what is being learned or practised. Your child is welcome to use it at home, but with adult support please!

<u>Chrome Books</u> We have recently purchased 10 Chrome Books, thanks to last year's Festival profits. These are a great addition to our collection of devices.

NETBALL: Well done to last week's players of the day, they were **Kuri**, **Ruby**, **Pasqual and Tasmyn**. Also thank you to all the players that played up on Saturday with special thanks to **Gabriel** who jumped on court for the Sapphires at the last minute.

The final count up from our fundraiser was a whopping \$1,214. © Raffles were won by Dianne B (hamper), and Cori P (honey). I also have some plates left after our fundraising, see Lou if you are missing one.

This Saturday 8 August:

Ngatimoti Stars - Please meet at the courts at $8.40\ READY$ to warm up.

Ngatimoti Ferns- Please meet at the courts at 8.30 READY to warm up.

Ngatimoti Sapphires - Please meet at the courts at 11.30 READY to warm up (you have a friendly game this week). Ngatimoti Diamonds - Please meet at the courts at 12.30 READY to warm up.

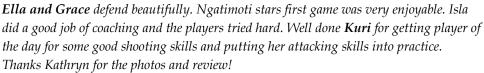


The Meeting Room We have started to use the new Meeting Room, which has been created by putting a division into the old Resource Room.

Here are Sayla, Nina and Arabella happily cutting the ribbon!

Please check with Lou if you are not sure if you have paid subs for the season.









Thank you to all the parents who came along to last week's Festival organising meeting or sent along updates. It was a great turn out! Here is a link to the minutes of the meeting. Watch this space for what we need in the next few weeks from parents to help make this year's festival amazing once again. Here are a couple of things you may have

ideas on to start with:

- PARKING MANAGEMENT: We urgently need a person to manage the car parking on Festival Day. This person needs to hold an STMS qualification, (although we are willing to pay to put someone through this, it is a 2 day course and will need to be completed soon). We do have a few volunteers to help with parking on the day but need lots more help. The Parking Manager needs to adhere to the Traffic Management Plan drawn up with the TDC and work with Fulton Hogan and local landowners to coordinate the traffic management. For more details of what is involved, you can call Barry Burger on 0223126992 or Amanda in the school office.
- **FLYERS:** We will be preparing our flyers for printing soon to advertise our Festival. There are 5000 distributed around the region in early October. We are looking for one local business to advertise on these flyers. Ad size 8 x 2cm for a donation of \$100 towards Festival funds. Contact Amanda in the office for more details. Be quick, there is only ONE space available ©
- MARQUEES: We need a large marquee with sides for us to use on Festival day. If anyone knows of any businesses that may have one available to loan or hire for Labour Weekend, please let Amanda know.
- TREASURE TROVE: This year our White Elephant has morphed into a TREASURE TROVE and we are slightly changing the kind of donations we receive for this school run stall. Huge thanks to Errilyn who is coordinating this for 2020. Errilyn will personally receive donations so that they can be screened for quality and suitability this year. Please send donations in to her at Playgroup on Friday Mornings only or by prior arrangement Call 0274697263. Please DO NOT donate any clothes, shoes, broken things or electrical items. We WILL STILL ACCEPT books, good quality toys, bric-a-brac, and second hand furniture (by agreement with Errilyn). If in doubt, please call Errilyn. Please do not send donations in to school. The Treasure Trove will be placed in the Community Rooms next to the Fire Station this year.
- PARENT ROSTER: There is a parent roster in the office for you to add your name wherever you would like to volunteer on the day. Many parents are already busy behind the scenes call into the office or contact Amanda to put your hand up for a job, before she calls you! ©

PARENT GROUP NEWS: 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. Dried Fruit Noodles are also for sale to students for 50c a packet. 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 1pm to help serve if you are able to. If not, no problem, send in some cakes or contact Catherine. Thanks parents! If you wish your child to buy a piece of cake and/or a pack of fruit noodles on Friday, please send them with the correct cash in a named purse. The roster for this term is below:

Fri 7 August: Sophie (Zeph) & Jamie (Leighton)	Fri 4 Sept: Tao (Madi K) & Catherine (Sequoia, Acacia)
Fri 14 Aug: River (Flint, Manaia) & Johan (Loke, Viggo)	Fri 11 Sept: Nic (Alex A) & Rachael (Zane)
Fri 21 Aug: Kate (Orrin, Kuri) & Tamara (Leon)	Fri 18 Sept: Bill (Tasmyn) & Warwick (Isla)
Fri 28 Aug: Helena (Joe) & Esther (Ada, Sanne, Gabriel)	Fri 25 Sept: Shane (Yuri, Ella, Ziah) & Claire (Connor, Libby)



Local, fresh farm eggs for sale: Call Caroline Tel 021 0873 1695 (1471 Motueka Valley Highway.)

Car wanted to buy

Reliable, automatic car wanted call Ian 0212600001 or 03 526 8815

Community Book Fridge at Ngatimoti Hall

You may have noticed the new bright yellow fridge outside the Ngatimoti Memorial Hall. Check out its contents! There are books for adults and children for swapping or loaning. Bex has put this out for the community and manages the Ngatimoti Memorial Hall bookings; you can contact her on 021 173 1279 or ngatimotihall@gmail.com





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