



## **NGATIMOTI SCHOOL NEWSLETTER – WEEK 5 TERM 1 2021**

**Wednesday 10 March – Raapa 10 Poutū-te-rangi**

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### **TERM DATES 2021**

**Term One: 9 Feb – 16 April**

**Good Friday holiday – 2 April,**

**Easter Mon– 5 April, Easter Tues– 6 April**

Term Two: 3 May – 9 July

Term Three: 26 July – 1 October

Term Four: 18 October – 20 December

Ngatimoti Festival Sunday 24 October 2021.

### **SOME DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES**

**Fri 12 March: Mana Whaitake at Kaiteriteri**

**Wed 17 March: Board of Trustees meeting 5.30pm**

**Thurs 18 March: Our school Triathlon**

**Year 7 & 8 Immunisations for those who have consented  
Parent Group AGM 3pm**

**Fri 19 March: Y7/8 Science Roadshow at Motueka High**

**Fri 26 March: Room 1 plan to visit Bark Bay**

**Thu 1 April: Room 5 visit Bark Bay**

**Thu 8 April: Room 3 visit Bark Bay**

**CONGRATULATIONS** to Sultan who celebrates his 12<sup>th</sup> Birthday on Saturday! Have a great day Sultan 😊

This Monday, **Freddie, Madi K, Kuri and Jack B** were all lucky draw RIVER card winners. Well done all of you!



**Room 4** had a whale of a time yesterday at Kaiteriteri for their beach safety day. Students did exercises to show how heavy normal clothes will get when they are wet, built rafts and got some kayaking experience. All great fun, and some life saving learning too. Thanks heaps to the parents who came along to transport and support this day.

**Our School Triathlon is NEXT Thursday 18 March.** We expect and encourage all students (and any parents!) to do an individual event. This year there are 4 events:

1. Springs: designed for Rooms 1 and 3; an introduction to triathlons
2. Tributaries: designed for students from Rooms 1 and 3
3. Currents: designed for students from Rooms 4 and 5
4. Rapids: for Room 4 & 5 students, with a bit more of a competitive edge

**Health Alert** We have a possible case of chicken pox in Room 4. Please be aware of the symptoms (tiredness, fever, general aches and pains, blisters) and take your child to your GP for confirmation if necessary. For more info go to <https://www.health.govt.nz/your-health/conditions-and-treatments/diseases-and-illnesses/chickenpox>



**The University of Canterbury is offering Kiwi English, Mathematics and Science competitions for students in Year 5 and above.**

The Kiwi competitions are written by New Zealand teachers

for New Zealand students and are based on the New Zealand Curriculum. They are designed as enrichment/extension activities, and are totally voluntary. The online competitions will run in the last 3 weeks of Term 2 and the first week of Term 3. All participating students receive a certificate and a prize is awarded to the top student in each competition. The cost for a student to participate is \$9.50 per competition entered. If you have a child in Year 5 or above you will have a form attached to this newsletter. This must be handed in to the school office by Friday 7 May.

We are half way through the term! If you would like to come in to talk about how your child is progressing, please don't hesitate to make an appointment with your class teacher.

**TOUCH COMPETITION** Well done to our Touch players who represented us the weekend before last. **Jack E** was awarded a sportsmanship prize. The focus was about having fun and being a good sport rather than keeping score. There was a bouncy castle, sausage sizzle and water slide. Mrs Roberts organised for Ngatimoti to join up with St Peter Chanel so that there were enough kids for a team. Together we excel!

**Interschools Swim Sports Competition** Report by Isabella R. On Tuesday 8 March, a mini Swimming Sports Competition was held at Lower Moutere School. **Sayla, Izzie and Chico** proudly represented Ngatimoti. Chico won all of his events. Izzie was second overall in freestyle, and Sayla made all the finals in her events. It was a fun day, with competition involved and a great way to connect with other year 7/8 students in our area.

**Thanks Catherine!** Huge thanks to Catherine Chick for taking our students along to the swim sports this week. Catherine has also helped train all students for the competition and has been at school every day to help teach the junior classes swimming lessons, as well as providing private lessons after school. Catherine, you are awesome, thank you so much!



**Board of Trustees News** If you are interested in joining the Board, come along to our next meeting on 17 March at 5.30pm.

**This term's policy reviews are Home Learning and Finance and Property Management.** Your feedback goes directly to our Principal and is subsequently reviewed by the board:

Visit the website <https://ngatimoti.schooldocs.co.nz/1893.htm>

1. Enter the username (ngatimoti) and password (river).
2. Follow the link to the relevant policy as listed.
3. Read the policy.
4. Click the Policy Review button at the top right of the page.
5. Select the reviewer type "Parent".
6. Enter your name.
7. Submit your ratings and comments.

**Pump Track Recovery** Report by Chico. Photo: The neglected pump track. **Chico, Nikau and Sayla** have started to clear the old pump track so we [Ngatimoti School and community] can use the track. It was built years ago and sadly has been neglected for a long time. We are planning to do most of the work during lunch times; if any parents ever have any free time and a weed eater, we would appreciate the assistance.

**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. This term we also have Juicies for sale for \$1. Our parent lunch coordinator is Catherine Chick (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 a Juicie on Friday, please send them with the correct cash in a named purse along with their healthy lunch.

**Friday 12 March: John (Nikau) and Marlene (Olivia & Marius)**

Friday 19 March: Tobias (Manu) and Tomas (Kuri & Orrin)

Friday 26 March: Bex (Arabella, Orianna, Milena) and Shannon (Lacie & Ardy)

Friday 2 April: Easter Friday Holiday

Friday 9 April: Kirsten (Chris) and Catherine (Acacia & Sequoia)

Friday 16 April: Sophie (Zeph) and Kate (Ella P)



**NEXT THURSDAY 18 MARCH**

**3pm RATHGAR HOUSE**

**ALL PARENTS WELCOME!**

**Motueka Junior Football Club 2021** season registrations are now open. Please follow the appropriate link on the front page of our club website. Age range from 4 to 60yrs <http://www.motuekafootball.co.nz/>



**Nelson Weetbix Tryathlon – Sunday 14 March** Good luck to any of our students who are competing in the Weetbix Tryathlon in Tahunanui. Let us know how you get on if you take part! It's not too late to register, check out the website at <https://tryathlon.co.nz/>. Of course, this will be great training for our whole school triathlon next Thursday afternoon!