



NGATIMOTI SCHOOL NEWSLETTER – WEEK 10 TERM 1 2021

Wednesday 14 April – Raapa 14 Paenga-whāwhā

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TERM DATES 2021

Term One: 9 Feb – 16 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

3 May: Term two begins

7 May: Last day to register for UC Kiwi Exams for Y5 – 8

7 May: Last day to register for Miniball (more details below)

12 May: Board of Trustees meeting

17 May: Room 4 visit Motueka Library

20 May: School photos

24 – 25 May: Life Education Truck visit

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Stella and Chase will both celebrate their 9th birthdays this week. Congratulations! Over the holidays, **Jack B** will be 13 years old and is our oldest student 😊 Best wishes all of you, from everyone here at school!

Our swimming pool is now closed

If you have a pool key, please return it to the office for your \$10 refund ASAP. Thank you!

LOST PROPERTY

Please come and check for your lost property before the end of term. It lives in Room 5 😊

Well done to our book cover design competition winners: Eloise, Sultan, Pedro, Willow, Orrin and Leon 😊 Ka Pai!



Room 3 students completed a picture book study of 'My Father's Dragon'. Students designed and made their own dragons. Jordan is pictured putting the finishing touches to her creation

We are looking forward to a busy and creative term two. All classes will have drama lessons with Damara and te reo lessons with River. The Life Education Truck visits us – this year's theme is food and nutrition. There are school photos, cross country and gymnastics competitions, in addition to our class learning. We wish you all happy and safe holidays from everyone here at school.

Te Reo for Parents We are offering an opportunity for a small group of parents to learn some entry-level te reo Māori, once a week for 10 weeks. River Seligman is offering a one-hour session each Tuesday afternoon 3:15 pm till 4:15 pm next term. There will be no cost to parents. Later in the term, all students will have te reo lessons and these will be aligned with what the adult group is learning, so you will be able to support your child at home. Limited spaces are available on the Tuesday afternoon course, so please make contact either with River at river@tereomaori.org or Ali at principal@ngatimoti.school.nz as soon as possible. OR feel free to make contact to ask questions!

Board of Trustees At our last meeting of the Board of Trustees the topic of bus safety was raised following a recent incident when one of our school buses slipped off the road. Thankfully no one was injured. There is a petition that can be signed in support of legislation to make seatbelts on school buses compulsory. You can sign the petition using this link: https://www.parliament.nz/en/petitions/sign/PET_109505

MINIBALL REGISTER NOW to play in a team next term at the Motueka Recreation Centre. The cost to parents is \$15 per player for the term. School sports shirts are provided and transport to Motueka is parents' responsibility.

Start Date: Monday 17 May– Junior & Intermediate, Wednesday 19 May – Senior grades. Matches start at 3:30 pm.

NETBALL SEASON 2021 Thank you to all who have registered to play netball this year, we do still have room if anyone else would like to join us. All training/skill sessions and games will start at the beginning of term two.

Year 3/4 will have their first skill session after school on Wednesday May 5th till 4pm and their first Saturday at the Motueka netball courts on May 15. They will be coached by Leigh Stephens (Lou's daughter).

Year 5/6 will have their first skill session after school on Wednesday May 5th till 4pm and their first Saturday at the Motueka netball courts on May 15th. They will be coached by Lou.

Year 7/8 will have their first training after school on Tuesday May 4th till 4.30 and their first Saturday at Motueka netball courts on May 8th. They will be coached by Lou.

ALL PLAYERS will be given their uniforms at their first after school practice, however, to go with their uniform all players will need to provide white socks, black undies/skins and suitable footwear. No jewellery whatsoever is allowed to be worn on game day, nails need to be cut short and long hair tied back. Years 3 to 6 may wear poly props under their uniform but could these please be kept to black, blue or white. Any questions please don't hesitate to contact Lou on louandian@xtra.co.nz 5268815 or 0210457798.



FAREWELL! Kathy is off to the UK. We will miss you on fun Fridays! Good luck and take care Kathy, with love from us all.

WORKING BEE Although the weather for last week's working bee was not ideal, a few parents worked hard at different times and as a result the bike / pump track on the reserve looks much better! Thanks particularly to Barry, Gary, Jinx, Sam, Marlene and anyone else who chipped in with their time and tools last weekend. This will become an ongoing maintenance job so watch this space for the next opportunity to come along and help maintain this great facility for our children. Thanks parents!

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.
Gluten free & vegan options available for those who need them

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

Let's Discover Space!
School Holiday Programme at Motueka Library
19 April - 2 May 2021
Any bookings can be made at Motueka Library or by calling 03 528 1047

Check the noticeboard at the end of Rathgar House for more great school holiday ideas!