



NGATIMOTI SCHOOL NEWSLETTER – WEEK 7 TERM 1 2022

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Terms and Holiday Dates 2022

The last day of Term One is 14 April

Good Friday – 15 April

Easter Monday – 18 April

Day after Easter Monday – 19 April

ANZAC Day – Monday 25 April

Term Two: 2 May – 8 July

Queen's Birthday – Monday 6 June

Matariki – Friday 24 June

Term Three: 25 July – 30 September

Room 1 camp: 26-27 September

Term Four: 17 October – 15 December

Rooms 3 and 4 camp: 31 Oct to 4 Nov

Room 5 camp: 5-9 Dec

Things to look forward to...

TUESDAYS, WEDNESDAYS & THURSDAYS: Glenn is here at school giving private music lessons. Contact Glenn on 0204 081 9932.

FRIDAYS: Cakes & Juicies for sale every Friday at lunchtime - \$1 each – thanks parents! Check the roster on page 2 ☺

DANCE LESSONS begin next week – Tuesday 29 March! All classes will begin a series of ten dance lessons here at school with Dances for Schools over the next two weeks (no cost to parents!)

Wed 30 March: Enviroleaders beach clean-up day at Kina

Room 3 walk to White Rock

Friday 1 April: Room 4 Bridge trip

Tuesday 5 April: Year 7 & 8 Rippa Rugby Tournament in Motueka for selected students

Car Booster Seats If your child no longer requires a booster seat to travel in a vehicle and you wish to sell or donate your booster to school, we would be grateful to add to our collection. Thank you!



What a change in the weather! We were lucky to finish our swimming season last Friday with our annual Try-athlon that the senior Student Councillors organised.



Chico, Sayla, Alex A and Stella jump for joy! Representing all house colours, Rachel, Olivia, Grace, Alex C, Alex A, Chico, Lucy, Phoebe & Leighton

Well done to all who took part in some way, supported their House and had some fun. Red House won the House teams event, with the bike, 3-legged run and piggy back swim. Yellow House were the overall winners of the day.

What lives in an apple and loves to read?



A book worm!



2022 KIWI CAM Competitions for year 5 – 8 students. Entries due now.

All students from Rooms 4 and 5 should have brought home a letter inviting them to enter these academic competitions in English, Maths and/or Science. Entries cost \$9.50 per competition and are completely optional. For more details or to receive a new entry form please contact the school office.

On a more serious note, Covid seems to be creeping into our area. Although we have only had a couple of our students who have tested positive so far, the chances are that more will be coming. In light of this, I will clarify the expectations around what the Ministry calls “hybrid learning”.

- If your children are too sick to do any school work, we understand. We do not expect them to complete school work if they are unwell!
- If your children are at home isolating because somebody in the household is sick, they are expected to do some school work. Teachers have organised work to enable learning to continue at home. This is what is meant by “hybrid learning”. It is purposefully not intended to be strenuous on parents! It is intended to keep your children learning, with some things in line with what is happening at school. Mr Hepburn and Mrs Milnes have set up Google Classroom as the base for learning. These students should know how to use this. If you would prefer hard copies of material, this can be arranged, just let the teacher know. Mrs Roberts and Miss Reid have hard copies of learning packs ready for students to do some learning at home. We will deliver them to your letterbox as needed.

If you are home you might see this as an opportunity to support your children more with some learning tasks. (e.g. practising writing stories or learning times tables). We understand that every family is different and that this can be a highly stressful time for some parents. Please try to stay in communication with us so that we can help in any way that we can.

We are expecting that, like many other local schools, teachers may also be away from school at some stage. In this instance, we may need to double up classes. Whatever we do, we want your children to be happy and well, and continuing to learn.



Room 5 students caring about the environment and helping our community with Ed Stevens

It is probably a great opportunity now to thank you all for your ongoing support of our school. These are tricky times, but school is a great constant in many lives. In a small community, school can serve not just as a place for learning, but as a meeting place, a social scene and a place to share ideas. School can unite people from many walks of life, and I see Ngatimoti School as being particularly important doing this in our community. Let’s navigate these times together, and look forward to a healthy school going forward!



NETBALL SEASON – REGISTER YOUR INTEREST NOW... AND AN AMAZING FIREWOOD RAFFLE!

As a fantastic community member, Lou Betts ran our school netball for many years. She has decided to retire from her netball responsibilities. We thank her so much for everything she has done to promote netball at Ngatimoti. Rochelle Roberts has met with Lou and will co-ordinate things to begin the season. Thank you to those parents who have offered help with coaching – we will coordinate this as teams are confirmed. If any Year 3 – 8 students are interested in joining in with learning netball, please read the notice on page 4 of this newsletter.



We are also coming into firewood season and to kickstart the netball funds, we are raffling a trailer load of firewood that Lucy Maxwell sourced last year – thanks Lucy! It would be most appreciated if all keen netballers could promote this as a fundraiser for our netball equipment.

Tickets are \$5. Bring in your money and choose a number from the grid in Amanda’s office. Get in quick!

Room 4 students at the top of White Rock.

Room 3’s turn next week. The result of some positivity, perseverance, planning and physical challenge!



Today's announcement from the NZ Government Many of you will have heard today's announcement and will be wondering what this means for schools. As the rules continue to change quickly, this is what we understand from today's press conference:

1. From this weekend red traffic light settings will resume, with some changes including increasing numbers allowed for indoor gatherings to 200 people, and no restrictions on numbers for outside gatherings.
2. From Friday at 11-59pm scanning QR codes will not be necessary, nor will we need to manage this for our school. Mask wearing will remain a requirement for those who wear masks now.
3. On Monday 4th April at 11-59pm the vaccination mandate that applies to Education will be lifted. ie staff who haven't had their booster by then (and don't have to have it by then) can remain employed and on-site. Anyone working off site due to the mandate can return to on-site work. Many businesses will no longer need to require vaccine passes for entry. Some may choose to continue and this will be clarified in due course.

We are still waiting for clarification regarding parents and volunteers at school and how these changes affect sports clubs, Motueka Recreation Centre, Abel Tasman Sea Shuttle etc.



Ngatimoti Parents Group AGM The Annual General Meeting of Ngatimoti Parents Group was held last week – thanks to the 9 attendees! At this meeting Annie S was re-elected as Chairperson, Kathryn B re-elected as Treasurer and Phoebe Q was elected Secretary. You can see the full minutes of this meeting [here](#).

The great news is that despite our festival having to be cancelled in 2021, the financial position of Parents Group remains healthy and it was agreed to make the following donations to our community: \$20,000 to Ngatimoti School Board, \$400 to Ngatimoti Memorial Hall and \$500 to Westpac Rescue Helicopter. Thank you parents!!

We are very appreciative of all the hard work our parents have put in in preparation for Festival even though it did not go ahead, and school will use these funds donated to directly benefit our students here at school. In these uncertain times, we are unsure if this year's festival will be able to go ahead either, however we remain positive and thank you for your continued support.

Parent Cake Roster Every week on Fridays, parents take their turn to provide cakes to sell to students for a dollar each. Frozen Juicies are also available for \$1. Where you see your name please provide around 24 cup cakes, muffins or slices. These can be gluten free and/or vegan or traditional baking – please label so that all dietary requirements can be catered for. Drop your cake/slice off at the office, anytime before 1 pm. Please also send your child with a healthy lunch as well as the correct cash to buy their cake and Juicie if you want them to. Kristin can be contacted by email kristinmcfarland@hotmail.co.nz or text 027 470 8224. To opt out of this parent roster please contact Kristin. **The roster for the remainder of this term is as follows: Thanks everyone!**

25 March Kristin (Maggie, William) and Kathryn (Kaisami & Grace)

8 April Sarah (Nicholas) and Jacqui (Leah)

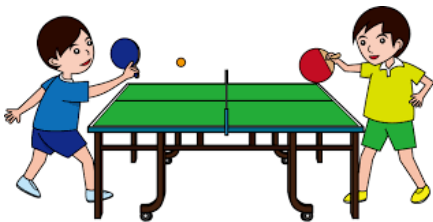


Table Tennis School Holiday Program 2022

April - Tuesday 19th, Thursday 21st, Tuesday 26th and Thursday 28th.

09:30 – 12:00 at Saxton Table Tennis Stadium.

Cost is only \$15 for all 4 sessions or \$5 per session as you please.

A fun balance of learning to play, skill development and learning the Table Tennis Pathway. Bats and balls provided, but you can bring your own if you prefer. Bring something to eat and drink for a short break at half time. For further information, phone Paul 022 394 0829.

Te Kotahi o Te Taihu Charitable Trust support for whanau isolating with covid

Phoenix Timms is Kaituhono-a-Hapori Covid and tautoko (supports) whānau isolating with covid to make sure they have everything they need, it's about manaaki and making sure no whānau is left behind.

Email phoenix.timms@kotahitehoe.org.nz , cell phone number is 02108166401. Phoenix can pick up groceries, prescriptions, takeaways and anything they need.

The MSD Covid Welfare number for whānau to call is 0800512337, that will put them through to someone they can talk to and figure out their needs and to be put through to the right organization. This number only has a short wait time.

If whanau can go through MSD line first and request to be put through to Te Kotahi o Te Taihu that is best. You will be referred to someone who can help. You can always call, text or email Phoenix to be guided through the best avenue.

Ngatimoti School Netball 2022



March 2022

Kia Ora Whānau

As the weather cools, it is time to start thinking about winter sport. Sadly, Lou has decided it is time to hand over the reins after many years, we will miss Lou's organisation, expertise and coaching of our netball teams, she has been amazing! Now we are looking at a great opportunity for enthusiastic parents to get involved in netball at Ngatimoti School.

From my experience, ideally we would like our coaches to be able to take practices during the week as well as be at the courts on Saturday. This is because game day is where we reinforce skills that were covered at training and in turn, game day highlights skills that need revisiting and reinforcement at practice. It is also how a positive team culture is developed and nurtured. Of course, it may be that you are available for trainings or game day (which is great) and so we may have an assistant role or buddy system set up.

There are workshops and support for all new or returning coaches. It is an expectation from NNZ that coaches attend a workshop, where the FutureFERN philosophy and modified game at the various levels is outlined and coaching resources are explained.

DATES & SUBS

Date		Subs
Saturday 7 May	Yvonne Primmer Special fixture = YEAR 7 & 8 only	(Paid to school office by 9 th May please)
Saturday 14 th May	ANZ futureFERNs Year 3&4 festival day	\$30
	ANZ futureFERNs Year 5&6	\$35
	Year 7&8 competition starts	\$40

However, most importantly it is about our TAMARIKI and fostering a love of an amazing game while honing their skills. I am beginning to organise teams, to help with this please fill in details below if your child/ren are keen to play.

There will be formal registrations online in the near future and we will keep you posted.

Thank you to those who have indicated they are keen to help with coaching or managing a team.
Can everyone interested please let me know by indicating below.

Nga Mihi,
Rochelle

NETBALL 2022 NGATIMOTI SCHOOL REGISTRATION

Player's Name: _____ Year: _____

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I am interested in coaching / managing a team

Name: _____ Cell: _____

Email: _____

