# Ngatimoti School Newsletter - Week Two, Term One, 2023 Wednesday 8 February Rāapa 8 Hui-tanguru

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#### **TERM DATES 2023**

2023 Term 1: WED 1 Feb – Thurs 6 April Good Friday 7 April, Easter Sunday 9 April

Term 2: Monday 24 April – Friday 30 June Term 3: Monday 17 July – Friday 22 Sept Term 4: Monday 9 October - Monday 18 Dec



This week we welcome Paige to our school. Paige is 7 years old and joins Room Three. We hope you love your time here at Ngatimoti School!

## Changes afoot:

Our school day now finishes at 3 p.m. This is to allow for slightly longer break times so that students have longer to eat! Both buses will therefore run approximately 10 minutes later each afternoon.

# The big bus route aka the Baton bus or lan's bus!

We are planning to change the direction that the big bus travels each morning, beginning next Monday.

The plan is for the bus to leave school at 7:45 a.m, and to travel towards the Baton Bridge, over the bridge and along the West Bank before crossing Alexander Bluff Bridge and back to school. This change is because of the numbers and ages of children at various pick-up points on the run.

Buses will continue to be free for all eligible students.

Times will be something like:

8:00 a.m. Baton Bridge

8:35 a.m. at Alexander Bluff Bridge

This change will begin on Monday 13 February.

There are no changes for the Paratiho/Orinoco bus.



All classes have been learning about the Treaty of Waitangi. Jordan is pictured signing the Treaty of Rūma Whā with a quill pen and ink

# "What a lovely calm and friendly school."

These words from a recent visitor sum up the first week back. It has been so great to see everyone back in 'school learning mode' and teachers are loving having your children at school!

Thank you for helping to ensure your children are coming along with everything they need

- brimmed hat - togs and towel - healthy lunch - positive attitude  $\stackrel{\smile}{\smile}$ 

Your children are hugely important to us, so thanks also for letting us know if they have been a bit nervous (we all are at times) or if anything significant has happened recently (life can throw us all some curve-balls.) We value your time and appreciate hearing from you. Our infomingle is coming up on Thursday 16 February. We really encourage you all to come along.

Our first meeting of the board is next Wednesday 15 February at 6pm. Board members for 2023 are Andy McFarland (Presiding Member), Alison Turner (Principal), Rochelle Roberts (Staff Representative), Rebecca Myjer, Chops Prouting, Sophie Jackson and Ciaran Bolger (all parent representatives). Come and meet them at the Infomingle!

# Next Thursday 16 February at 5pm Infomingle here at School

This is an important event for those of us who have been around for a while to meet new families, hear about plans for 2023, and to enjoy a community get together. Our Infomingle is a low stress event where you will learn more about the workings of Ngatimoti School and meet a few new faces. Please come along!

The BBQ, with a free sausage in bread for everyone, will be turned on at 5 pm. Bring your togs for a swim!

### The plan for Thursday 16 February:

5 pm BBQ on

5:30 pm Welcome and general school info

5:45 pm Room 1 parents meet Ms Reid & Whaea Beth

6:15 pm Room 3 parents to meet Mrs Roberts

6:45 pm Room 4 parents to meet Mrs Milnes

7:15 pm Room 5 parents to meet Whaea Suzanne



Grace, Makaira, Angus, Luke and Juniper work on their literacy in Room Three

<u>Health Notice</u> Headlice have returned to school along with the students and we ask that you please check your child's hair and treat if necessary. This is one of the reasons we do not encourage the sharing of hats so please provide your child with their own (named) brimmed hat.

We have also had reports of possible stomach bugs and remind you that if your child has an upset tummy they should not return to school until 48 hours after their tummy settles. If in doubt about the health of your child please keep them home and let us know 027 526 8842. Stay well!

Term 4 Friday Cakes and Juicies As a part of our Parents Group fundraising for the year, each Friday we sell cakes and frozen Juicies for \$1 each as a treat after lunch. We ask parents to bake on a roster for this, so watch out for your name to appear in future weeks. This Friday 10 Feb , Kathryn (Kaisami & Grace) and Annie (Alex & Benji) will bake - thank you! For the next couple of weeks;

Friday 17 Feb - Catherine (Beau, Rua) & Marian (Freddie, Pedro, Tui) Friday 24 Feb - Rebecca (Quinn, Tara) & Tui (Tadhg, Cora, Ria) On Fridays, please send your child with a healthy lunch as well as the correct cash to buy their cake and/or Juicie if you wish.

If any parents feel like donating some baking at any time we would

appreciate that, and can freeze cakes for future use. Our Parents Group Cake Coordinator is Kristin and she can be contacted by email at <a href="mailto:kristinmcfarland@hotmail.co.nz">kristinmcfarland@hotmail.co.nz</a> or text 027 470 8224. To opt out of this roster or swap dates in the future please contact Kristin.

#### Teeball & u10 baseball: Moutere Community Centre

Every Wednesday of term 1, 4-5pm. Years 1-8 welcome as a team or as an individual. \$25 per player for the term. All equipment and coaching provided. Turn up and register on site or register at

www.sporty.co.nz/viewform/204292. For more information call the Tasman Country Baseball Club on 027 644 1099.

## **TOUCH RUGBY AT MOTUEKA RECREATION CENTRE**

Starts Tuesday 28 th February – Junior and Intermediate grades Wednesday 1 st March – Senior grades

Competition runs for 6 weeks (Finals week: 4 th / 5 th april)

**Time:** Matches start at 3:30 pm. Games run for  $2 \times 10$  minute halves. Year 1 and 2 children = junior grade, Year 3, 4, and 5 = Intermediate grade Year 6, 7, and 8 = Senior grade

Form a team and register with Amanda in the school office before 20 February. \$10 per player per term. If a parents is keen to take a group of students in the school van, please let us know



#### MOTUEKA CRICKET CLUB

Est. 185

#### **MOTUEKA JUNIOR CRICKET**

## REGISTRATION NIGHT

Friday 10 February 5:00 – 6:00pm Memorial Park, Motueka



Friday Night Junior Cricket for 5 – 10 year olds. \$20 for the term.

For all Junior Cricket enquiries, please phone: Kara Simkin – 021 1767472 or email <u>juniormotuekacricket@gmail.com</u>