



# Ngatimoti School Newsletter

## Week One, Term One 2024



Wednesday 31 January 2024

Rāapa 31 Hānuere 2024

[office@ngatimoti.school.nz](mailto:office@ngatimoti.school.nz) 03 526 8842 [principal@ngatimoti.school.nz](mailto:principal@ngatimoti.school.nz)

TEXT ABSENCES: 027 526 8842

Ngatimoti School Bank Account 03 1354 0359568 00



School is open 31 Jan – 2 Feb, closed on Mon 5 & 6 Feb, and open again on Wednesday 7 Feb!

2024 Term 1: Wed 31 Jan – Fri 12 April

Good Friday 29 March, Easter Monday 1 April.

Tuesday 2 April is also a school holiday.

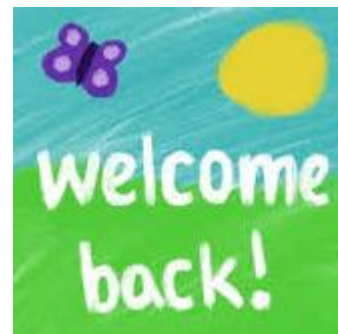
Thursday 25 April is ANZAC Day (within school holidays)

Term 2: Monday 29 April – Friday 5 July

King's Birthday Holiday Monday 3 June, Matariki Friday 28 June

Term 3: Monday 22 July – Friday 27 Sept

Term 4: Monday 14 October - Wednesday 18 Dec. Festival Day is Sunday 27 October.



Welcome back everyone, we hope you have all enjoyed a rest from school – everyone seems excited to return and regroup after the holidays! We welcome 6 new students this term: **Shekinah** in Room 5, **Piko, Alex** and **Amittai** in Room 4, and **Nazareth** and **Eva** in Room 3. Welcome also to our new Teacher Aide **Jade**, who will be working with Mr Hepburn and the senior students in Room 5. We hope you all love your time here! We would also like to say a big thank you to **Rebecca** for your work as Teacher Aide in 2023.

Today we are emailing out our 2024 Information Booklet with this newsletter to remind you all of our regular routines etc. If you would like a paper copy sent home, please ask at the office.

Please email [office@ngatimoti.school.nz](mailto:office@ngatimoti.school.nz) with any updated health details, contacts, bus travel arrangements etc for your children. Your child should also have a wide brimmed hat, swimming togs and towel, lunch and their own water bottle every day at school. So, we have lots to look forward to this summer term. Here's a taster of what's coming up in the first few weeks:

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SAT / SUN
		31 Jan – School's back today!	1 Feb	2 Feb: Cakes & Juicies for sale \$1 each	3/4 Feb
5 Feb NO SCHOOL	6 Feb – Waitangi Day – NO SCHOOL	7 Feb	8 Feb	9 Feb Cakes & Juicies	10/11 Feb
12 Feb	13 Feb	14 Feb Reading Together 5-7pm	15 Feb	16 Feb Cakes & Juicies ATYA retreat	17/18 Feb ATYA retreat
19 Feb STRIKE! An afternoon performance	20 Feb	21 Feb Reading Together 5-6pm Board Mtg	22 Feb Enviroleaders' trip to Nelson Museum	23 Feb Cakes & Juicies	24/25 Feb

Class Swimming EVERY DAY: 11am R4, 11.45am R5, 1.30pm R1, 2.15pm R3.

Lunchtime swims optional at the discretion of the duty teacher.

## ROOM 1 & 3 LITERACY – READING TOGETHER

Let's work together to support literacy learning for our tamariki. Come along to our sessions to learn about our new literacy programme at Ngatimoti School in Rooms 1 and 3.

We are planning family sessions on Friday 16th February and Friday 23rd February starting at 5pm. However, because we would like everyone here, if Fridays do not suit, the alternative dates could be Wednesday 14th & 21st February. Children will be fed and entertained during the whānau meeting. 😊

Please let Amanda in the office know which day (Friday or Wednesday) suits your whānau best, by 7th February. Thanks! Rochelle, Heather and Beth



**Cakes and Juicies for sale each Friday.** Each Friday we have a parent baking roster to provide cakes for sale to our students. Funds raised go towards parent group funds. Watch out for your name on the termly roster and when it's your duty day we would love you to bake enough for approximately 30 pieces of cake/slice to sell for \$1 each. Please send your child with one dollar for a piece of cake and one dollar if you wish. They should also bring a healthy lunch on Fridays. Our Parents Group Cake Coordinator is Kristin, text 027 470 8224 or email [kristinmcfarland@hotmail.co.nz](mailto:kristinmcfarland@hotmail.co.nz) to change your roster date if need be.

If there are any parents or caregivers keen to take on the job of cake roster coordinator, please let Kristin know – it's not too time consuming, and a great way to connect with students and parents through cake!! Our students love cake day, and we will sell frozen Juicies for \$1 each in Term 1 too. For this week, Kristin will bake. For the next few weeks:

Friday 9 Feb: Laura (Thea & Maisey) and Kyna (Ari & River)

Friday 16 Feb: Tui (Tadhg, Cora, Ria) and Jinx (Bella & Connor)

Friday 23 Feb: Chops (Tui, Pedro, Freddie) and Jen (Pete & Rita)



Best Wishes to Jack C and Xavier who both celebrate their birthdays today!

Connor R will turn 9 years old on Monday next week – Happy Birthday all of you, from everyone here at school!



### COMMENCEMENT OF 2024 SCHOOL YEAR

School will reopen for students as follows:

Years 9 & 13	Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup> February - 8.45am to 3.05pm
Welcome Powhiri	Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup> February – 11.15am
All students	Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> February - 8.45am to 3.05pm
New Students BBQ	Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup> February – 5.00pm to 6.30pm
<b>Contact Details for Deans:</b>	
Year 9 Daniel Reeve	<a href="mailto:daniel.reeve@motuekahigh.school.nz">daniel.reeve@motuekahigh.school.nz</a>
Year 9 Transition Anna Haddon	<a href="mailto:anna.haddon@motuekahigh.school.nz">anna.haddon@motuekahigh.school.nz</a>

**GOOD LUCK TO ALL OUR EX-NGATIMOTI STUDENTS FOR YOUR HIGH SCHOOL YEAR!**

**NGATIMOTI PLAYGROUP**  
At Rathgar House, Ngatimoti School  
Every Friday of term 9:30-12:30

**COME AND JOIN US!**

- MORNING TEA PROVIDED
- HEAPS OF FUN TO BE HAD
- LOTS OF TOYS!
- LEARNING THROUGH PLAY
- FRIENDSHIP AND COMMUNITY
- RAIN OR SHINE
- FREE ENTRY!
- FIND US ON FACEBOOK FOR UPDATES

### LOOKING FOR RENTAL ACCOMMODATION

We have a couple of families with great references looking for rental accommodation for various reasons. If you know of anything available in the valley, preferably on the school bus route, please do let us know.



Questions to replace “How was your day?” to get more from your children!

*Why was today a good day?*

*What are you looking forward to tomorrow?*