

Ngatimoti School Newsletter Week Two, Term Four 2024



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Term 3: Monday 22 July – Friday 27 Sept Term 4: Monday 14 Oct - Wednesday 18 Dec Festival Day is Sunday 27 October

TEACHER ONLY DAY is on Monday 11 Nov

TERM ONE 2025 begins TUESDAY 4 FEBRUARY

CAMP DATES:

R1: 1 night at Quinney's Bush: DATE CHANGE - 11 DEC.

R3: 2 nights in Marahau: 12/13 Nov R4: 3 nights in Marahau: 12/13/14 Nov R5 4 nights in Totaranui: 2-6 Dec

Parents and caregivers: Watch out for camp notices!

Our Ngatimoti Festival profits subsidise camp costs, but we do ask for a camp donation as well.

Room 1 – \$10, Room 3 - \$40, Room 4 - \$60, Room 5 - \$100. You are welcome to make part- payments prior to camp.

What to look forward to in the next few weeks!

Wk 2: The big festival build up!

Wk 3: Monday 28 October is Labour Day Holiday. There is no school, however we really need <u>all families</u> to help with the festival clean up. Thank you all!

Wk 4: Wed 6 November is our school athletics day. All students will have a go, with the opportunity for 8-13 year olds to be selected for the interschool's competition later in the term.

Wk 5: Monday 11 November is Teacher Only Day – no school. Room 3 and 4 students go to Marahau on camp on Tuesday 12 Nov. Room 3 students return on Thursday 14 November. Room 4 students return on Friday 15 November.

Year 8 Orientation Day at Motueka High School is Friday 15 Nov.



Best wishes to **Manu** and **Alex** who both celebrated their birthdays this week.
Congratulations, from everyone here at school!



SHAKE OUT 24/10/24. Our school will be taking part in this national earthquake drill at some time tomorrow. It is a good opportunity to talk with your children about preparing for an earthquake:

Advice from www.getready.govt.nz: One of the best places to start is with your home. There are simple and preventive actions that you and your whānau can take to strengthen your home against an earthquake.

- Use brackets or specialised seismic straps (available online or from hardware stores) to secure tall and heavy furniture and appliances so they can't tip over. Think about the likes of bookcases, cabinets, hot water cylinders and TVs.
- Make sure you know how to turn off your gas, water and electricity in case lines are damaged during earthquake shaking.
- Check that your home's foundations are in good condition and properly secured to the house above.
- If your home has a tall brick or concrete masonry chimney, then talk to a licensed builder about removing or replacing it.
- Hang pictures and mirrors on proper hooks so they can't easily jump off during earthquake shaking.

Cultural Connections. We appreciate the close connections we have with families and the community and want to do our best for everyone! Because we are guided by Te Tiriti o Waitangi, and we want to ensure we are acknowledging all cultures, the Board has three questions that we would like some feedback on.

Do you feel that your culture is represented adequately at Ngatimoti School?

How could Ngatimoti School do better in recognising the importance of your culture? (and how could you help?) Do you have any other suggestions?

You are welcome to respond by sending Ali an email <u>principal@ngatimoti.school.nz</u>, phoning or popping in for a chat with Ali. Your replies will be confidential to Ali and the school Board. Thank you.

It is a busy week, and although we expect some rain this weekend, the fabulous Festival will soldier on! THANK YOU all so much for what you are doing already. The scarecrows are looking amazing, and I have had many non-school people commenting on the creativity and feeling of community that they bring. Judging of scarecrows is planned for Thursday afternoon, so you still have time to display your efforts! Please remember to send a photo to the office.



HATS - bringing a brimmed hat to school each day is a part of our school sun safe policy in Terms 4 & 1. Whilst we do have a few spare hats for the random days students might forget their hat, we don't expect these to be used on a daily basis. Please ensure your children have their own named hat.

Congratulations to **Zeph and Marius** on placing 5th= at the Rotary Quiz for Year 7 and 8 students. They represented us very well, and it was especially great to hear that they enjoyed the evening so much. Awesome positivity!

Tomorrow morning, we have 6 students representing us at a Nelson Arts Festival Literacy event, being held at the Motueka Library. **Flint, Madi, Stella B, Zeph, Lucy and Chase** will be learning more about writing creatively, based on Myths, Magic, Fantasy and Time Travel.

This term we have a focus on our school value of POSITIVITY. We have talked about the glass half-full analogy, and focusing on what we can control, rather than things that are out of our own control. We can control our words, actions, efforts, manners and attitudes. At the festival the best thing we can do is to think about what we can control.

We can't control how other people act but we can control:

OUR WORDS

when we are talking to guests at the festival or stall holders we will be friendly.

OUR ACTIONS

we can be honest, helpful, careful around others - no running or pushing. We can help at our we see someone he done

our **ATTITUDE**

Look at things in a positive way - Glass Half Full thinking

OUR MANNERS

to represent Ngatimoti School in a positive way. Say please & thank you, excuse me....



We cannot control the weather, but we can control how we react to it. We will smile, bring raincoats and wear gumboots!

Left: Benji's Jack O'Lantern scarecrow. Unfortunately, he was discarded at the side of the road and his tractor stolen last night. This is disappointing amongst our community and not in the festival spirit! We hope his tractor is found and returned.

ATYA 2025 Congratulations to our ATYA 2025 applicants, **Jordan, Madi, Sahara and Quinn.** This is a great opportunity and commitment to our environment and the wider community. Well done for having the courage and confidence. We know you will do us proud.

Cakes for sale Fridays Each Friday we have a parent baking roster to provide cakes for sale to our students. Funds raised go towards parent group funds. This term we will also sell frozen Juicies for \$1 each as well as cake. Watch out for your name on the termly roster and when it's your duty day, please bake enough for approximately 30 pieces of cake/slice to sell for \$1 each. It would be helpful if you label any special ingredients, e.g. gluten free, too. Each Friday, please send your child with \$2 for a

TERM 4 PARENT BAKING ROSTER

Friday 25 October: FESTIVAL BAKING FOR EVERYONE

Friday 1 November: Lynette (Jack) & Kate (Orrin & Kuri)

Friday 8 November: Claire (Silvanis) & Juliette (Kyrin)

Friday 15 November: Victoria (Leah, Jordan) & Katrin (Anaea)

Friday 22 November: Sasha (Max) and Shannon (Lacie, Ardy, Poppy)

Friday 29 November: Sophie (Zeph) and Anita (Kaylee)

Friday 6 December: Sarah (Stella, Viggo) and Candice (Te Rehua, Waiata)

Friday 13 December: Tania (Castiel) & Lisa Morley-Gray (Nico, Sahara)

cake and Juicie if you wish. Your children should also bring a healthy lunch on Fridays.

Laura Townley is our parent cake roster coordinator. Contact 022 084 2606.

THE 22nd NGATIMOTI FESTIVAL – THIS SUNDAY 27 OCTOBER

How can you help in these last few days?

1. Wish for sunshine, but if the rain arrives, keep calm and carry on! 😊







CAFÉ: Donations of eggs, lemons, flowers for the tables and cake servers/tongs please. We ask all families to bake a cake or two. If you want to enter your baking in the cake competition, make sure it is here at Rathgar House before 3pm Saturday, otherwise please bring it in on Sunday morning.

SCARECROWS: It is not too late to make a scarecrow, and a sign to go with your character: Ngatimoti Festival, 10am – 4pm Sunday 27 October. **Rain or shine!** Point the way with a scarecrow trail! Judging will take place on Thursday. Email photos to office@ngatimoti.school.nz

OUTDOOR FURNITURE: We always need more seating and shade for the café – name any items you loan us!

SAUCE BOTTLES: We need some empty, cleaned tomato sauce bottles for our BBQ and food stalls to use.



Connor & Bella's 'Surf's Up

TREASURE TROVE: Still accepting good quality second hand items; clothes, books, toys etc. No junk please, **and no electrical items**. Bring them into school or contact us to arrange pick up!

SILENT AUCTION: Any offers of services, vouchers, art, jewellery, sports gear, furniture, etc. are most appreciated.

ADVERTISING: Please send any items to be uploaded to the festival facebook page to pippybetty04@hotmail.com. Remember to like and share our page!

BOXES: Please bring in any boxes / bags we could use for festival shoppers.

ROSTER: You should all know what you are doing, and when, this weekend. Please come along and help set up on Saturday, and clean up on Monday, even if it's just for a short time to do your bit in your department. Thank you!

We need more help with FACE PAINTING, CAFÉ, BBQ, SPIT... be in touch if you know of any willing helpers!



Manu & Maya's colourful clown

GAZEBOS – SHADE / SHELTER: At this stage the weather forecast is looking less than pleasant! Any extra gazebos, umbrellas etc you are able to bring along on Saturday would be helpful. Thank you.

ANIMALS: Wanted for the animal area on festival day: chickens or ducks with chicks/ducklings, bottle fed lambs with their milk supplied – more than 3 days old please. All animals to be petted are always supervised, no animals are for sale on festival day and animals which are not to be petted are kept separate. All animals are well looked after with shade, food and water. **Contact Kate if you have anything to offer 0226566447**

SUCCESSION PLANNING: We are looking for new team leaders to learn the ropes and take over from parents who are moving on in the next year or two. If you are interested in seeing how certain departments work, especially Silent Auction and Spit, get in touch so that we can line you up with the people in the know!



LEVEL UP RUGBY PROGRAM

Are you ready to take your rugby skills to the next level? Whether you're a beginner or looking to sharpen your game, the Level UP Rugby Program is a perfect opportunity to elevate your skills, fitness and knowledge of the

sport. Location: Sports Park Motueka

Mondays 4:30 - 5:45 Year 5-6 & 7-8 Mondays 6:00 - 7:15 Year 9-10

Two six-week blocks 2024 Starting 4th Nov- 9th Dec. Cost:

\$60 Account: 03-1354-0512374-01 Particular: Player Name

Code: LUR Reference: Year Group

Some Funding available - Please inquire to Joe@tasmanrugby.co.nz

Did you know Motueka has a Swimming Club?

We swim at the Motueka High School pool and have a range of levels available.



Swimming Season: 25 November 2024 - March 2025



Penguins Squad: (Swimming NZ Level 2)

7 years and over, who are water confident and can swim a basic freestyle. Coach is not in the pool with children. (2 sessions/week: Monday/Wednesday)



Dolphins Squad: (Swimming NZ Level 3)

Focus on correct freestyle, backstroke and breaststroke technique. (2 sessions/week: Monday/Wednesday)



Orcas Squad:

10 years and over, confident swimmers that wish to improve their techniques (including butterfly) and increase their endurance. (2 sessions/week: Monday/Wednesday)

Training Squad:

Trains 4 sessions/week (Monday-Thursday), may attend meets. For swimmers who still want to improve technique and train as a squad but may not want to swim competitively.

Competitive Squad:

Trains 4 sessions/week (Monday-Thursday), intense focus on perfecting stroke technique, speed, and endurance. Opportunity to compete at Swimming NZ meets.

Email motuekaswimclub@gmail.com for more information.



Motueka Swim Club

Enrolments open NOW!

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAlpQLSfTLGa-7ZNVbxwE6LYzhXDUXhPYxqC86Q1Q9tolFDQzbQobyw/viewform



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