



Ngatimoti School Newsletter

Week Two, Term One 2025



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2025 School Terms and Holidays	
TERM 1	
Term start and end dates	Friday 7 February to Friday 11 April
Public holidays	Public holidays: Waitangi Day Thursday 6 February
School holidays	Saturday 12 April – Sunday 27 April (includes Easter and ANZAC Day)
TERM 2	
Term start and end dates	Monday 28 April to Friday 27 June
Public holidays	King's Birthday Monday 2 June, Matariki Friday 20 June
School holidays	Saturday 28 June – Sunday 13 July
TERM 3	
Term start and end dates	Monday 14 July to Friday 19 September
Public holidays	None
School holidays	Saturday 20 September – Sunday 5 October
TERM 4	
Term start and end dates	Monday 6 October to Friday 19 December
Public holidays	Labour Day Monday 27 October



Welcome back to school everyone! We hope you have all had amazing summer holidays and are excited to return to the best little school in the whole wide world!

Please email 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. We have lots to look forward to this term. Here's a taster of what's coming up in the first few weeks:

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SAT / SUN
		12 Feb	13 Feb Life Education (Food & Nutrition focus)	14 Feb  Life Education (Food & Nutrition focus)	15/16 Feb
17 Feb Skills with Sport Tasman R1 & 4 House of Science Volcano research all week, all classes	18 Feb Motec for Y7/8	19 Feb Board Meeting	20 Feb	21 Feb Ice Skating at Tapawera 	22/23 Feb
24 Feb	25 Feb	26 Feb	27 Feb	28 Feb	1/2 March

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

Please send a note/text/email if your child is not to swim.

Lunchtime swims are optional at the discretion of the duty teacher.

Life Education We look forward to welcoming Ingrid and Harold the Giraffe back at school tomorrow with the fabulous Life Ed truck. This year our focus is on Food and Nutrition, with each class learning something more about either variety, energy, food choices, packaging or influences. Parents are invited to see inside the truck and look at what is covered tomorrow (Thursday) from 2.30pm – 3.15pm.



Welcome to school Cassian who joins us in Room 1 this week. We hope you love it here at school!



Best Wishes to everyone who celebrated their special days over the holidays, including Mrs. Turner, Mr. Hepburn and Mrs. Roberts! Congratulations to all of you who celebrated in January: **Leah N, Vincent, Anaea, Jordan, Sol, Benji, Maggie and Xavier.** **Connor R** celebrated his 10th birthday last week too! We hope you all had lots of fun, from all of us here at school.

Ngatimoti – a School of Opportunities!

This year we are excited to continue our 2024-25 strategic plan using our 4 initiatives. This term we plan to

1. Grow learners' confidence: Let's try ice-skating!
2. Develop Lifelong learning capabilities: We are up and running with the new maths curriculum and resources.
3. Grow Intercultural understanding: We hope to put down a hangi later this term.
4. Extend friendship and relationship building skills: We have a goal for all students to take on an after-school extra-curricular activity this year. How could we help you to help your child become involved in something? E.g. scouts, silks, music, swimming, touch, tennis.

Ice Skating Opportunity Thanks to Tapawera Area School, we are all invited to have-a-go at ice skating on **Friday 21 February** on a special rink being brought to Tapawera. Each student will have a 45-minute lesson (thanks to festival profits), learning the basics of balance, co-ordination, ice-skating and falling techniques. The ice rink is a state-of-the-art artificial ice rink which has 97% same gliding capacity as real ice. It looks like ice, skates like ice, but isn't cold.

Students will need: closed shoes, long trousers, socks and a water bottle.

For safety reasons, a helmet and gloves must be worn. These are provided, although students can bring their own. We would love offers of transport to Tapawera for this day. Please email office@ngatimoti.school.nz if you can help.

At this stage, our plan is:

9am – Room 5 depart school. Lesson at 9.50am. Visit Spooners' tunnel. Return to school by 2.30pm.

10am – Room 4 depart school. Lesson at 11am. Visit historical displays in Tapawera. Return to school by 2.30pm.

10.45am – Rooms 1 & 3 depart school. Lesson at 11.50am. Visit historical displays in Tapawera and return to school by 2.30pm.



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 for a Juicie if you wish. They should also bring a healthy lunch on Fridays. Our Parents Group Cake Coordinator is Laura 022 084 2606

For the next few weeks:

Friday 14 Feb: Help! We need a parent volunteer to bake this week. If you can send in some baking, we would be very grateful, and we can always freeze any extras for future use. Thank you!

Friday 21 Feb: Jen (Pete/Rita) and Annie (Benji)

Friday 28 Feb: Candice (Waiata/Te Rehua) and Tamara (Leon)

Swimming Lessons with Anna

Thank you to all of those who participated in the holiday swim programme with Anna. We will continue with swim lessons after school on a Monday for as long as the weather is nice. If interested, please contact Anna on 022 631 7636 or turn up after school on Monday next week.

Music Lessons with Glenn

Private music tuition with Glenn available here at school Tuesdays and Wednesdays, in school time or after school Tues. Learn guitar, bass, drums, piano, recorder or ukelele. Available to students in Room 3 and above. Contact Glenn 02040819932 or blisteringtongues@yahoo.com

KITTEN LOOKING FOR A HOME

One beautiful black girl kitten available. See Ian or 021 260 0001

St. James' Church Ngatimoti – Sunday School

This week: 16 Feb 10:30am – All Welcome!

FOR SALE: 3 drawer old style filing cabinet. Microwave. In Rathgar House, see Ali at school


FOR SALE: 6 Wiltshire lambs; 5 female – Call Andrea 021 104 2609

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



CIRCUS & SILKS

With the Twisty Twinz




Weekly classes every Monday..

Acro, Silks, Trapeze Juggling, Hula hoops, Unicycling, Stilts, slackline, Games and more!

Mondays~
17th Feb- 24th March

Juniors~ 3:30- 4:30pm
Intermediates~ 4:30- 5:30pm
Adults silks~ 5:30- 6:30pm

Venue~
Ngatimoti Memorial hall
1297 Motueka valley highway

Contact: Jola & Nele Siezen 0212500025

Sport Tasman at Motueka Recreation Centre

TOUCH RUGBY	Tuesdays Y3/4 and 5/6 start 25 Feb Wednesdays Y1/2 and 7/8 start 26 Feb	\$15 per player for the term, payable to school. Register through Amanda in the school office.
NETBALL	Mondays starting 24 Feb	
KI-O-RAHI	Thursdays starting 27 Feb	

REGISTER NOW SO WE CAN PUT SOME TEAMS TOGETHER IF POSSIBLE!

Motueka Junior Volleyball

at Motueka High School Gymnasium

Tuesdays for Years 6, 7 & 8 starting 18 February. A Ngatimoti team will need to be put together. Let Amanda know if you are interested. \$30 per player for the term.

THURSDAY 20 FEBRUARY – 5pm – 6:30pm

CHECKMATE, MATE

CHESS WORKSHOP

with Rami Riachi

We will explore:


- Games
- Quiz
- Chess concepts
- 4 players chess
- Other variants
- Puzzles

All ages and levels are welcome
Motueka Public Library, 32 Wallace Street

CHESS IN NELSON

Motueka valley

Adult Aerial Silk classes



Gain strength, trust, fitness, confidence, fun, flexibility, balance, friends, new skills

with the Twisty Twinz

Put the fun back into fitness, try something new!
.....no previous experience necessary :-)

★ Weekly classes ~ Mondays~ 17th Feb- 24th March

5:30- 6:30pm

Contact: *Nele & Jola Siezen*
0212500025, twistytwinz@hotmail.com

Rita Paczian Tennis
Level 2 Professional Tennis Coach
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MOTUEKA TENNIS CLUB

2025 Junior Coaching term 1
Wednesdays, 12 February to 26 March
There will be SEVEN sessions in total.

5-8-year-olds: 3.15 - 4pm
Term fee: \$80

9-11-year-olds: 4.5pm
Term fee: \$100

Please contact Kath to register for coaching programmes. An email will be sent upon registration with payment details.

Please ensure that payments for coaching are made prior to the start of term as spaces are limited.

Contact Kath: ph 0275800108
motuekatenniscubinc@gmail.com

Like to dance?



Would you like to try something new?
Have-a-go classes
being run for children by the
Motueka Scottish Country Dancing
Club on Wednesday
12th, 19th and 26th February 2025
4-5pm Lower Moutere Community
Hall.

For further details please contact
Fay on 021 039 3559 or email
motueka@dancescottish.org.nz

Gold coin donation.
No special clothes or previous experience
required, and you don't need to be Scottish!