



Ngatimoti School Newsletter

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Term 1	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SAT / SUN
NEXT WK Week 8	24 March	25 March	26 March Board meeting	27 March	28 March	29/30 March
Week 9	31 March TEACHER ONLY DAY – no school	1 April	2 April	3 April	4 April	5/6 April 
Week 10	7 April	8 April	9 April	10 April	11 April Last day T1	12/13 April Holidays!



The first snow of the season on the mountain and it's Tryathlon day! Good on all of our students for your tenacity. Photos next week!

Motueka Inter-School Swimming Sports results:

Congratulations to all our representatives at the swimming sports last week. The winning relay teams included our very own Pedro, Rua, Ella, Grace and Freddie! Huge thanks to the parents who helped support our students to success on this day!

Official individual results are:

Freddie: 2nd girl 9 yr freestyle, butterfly & backstroke
1st girl 9 yr breaststroke

River: 3rd boy 8 yr breaststroke

Rua: 2nd boy 10 yr breaststroke

Pedro: 2nd boy 11 yr freestyle, 3rd backstroke

Bella: 3rd girl 11 yr breaststroke & backstroke

Ella: 3rd girl 11 yr butterfly

Grace: 3rd girl 12 yr freestyle

Stella: 3rd girl 12 yr butterfly



Rua and Bella are pictured starting their races at the High School pool last week.

Swimming at school has now come to an end. We have seen lots of excellent progress in swimming this year – well done! If you have a season key for the swimming pool, please return it to the school office as soon as you can for your \$10 back.

Moturoa Mission On Friday this week, our Enviroleaders from Rooms 3, 4 & 5 will take part in the Moturoa Challenge at Rabbit Island. Good luck to our Ngatimoti Keas – Jordan, Sahara, Madi, Connor F & Pete, and our Ngatimoti Wekas – Benji, Quinn, Bella, Eleanor & Aniah. Thanks to parents Stephane and Lisa for enabling this to happen.

ATYA Students Our ATYA students and Mrs. Milnes had an amazing weekend at Totoranui last weekend. It was a wonderful weekend of learning together with students from five other schools.



Best wishes to Anna L who will turn 8 years old on Sunday. Have a fun day Anna, from all of us here at school!

Well-being at school: This is a big and seriously important topic. Eighteen months ago, our school board compiled your suggestions to bring us our vision "Navigating together with purpose and pride." This is a very relevant vision for well-being at Ngatimoti School. Recently we have had some student disagreements, disputes and even an allegation about bullying. Generally, staff try to use these situations as opportunities for students to learn, to think about other peoples' perspectives, and to discuss solutions. Learning to keep things in proportion, knowing how to read situations and showing resilience are some outcomes we plan for. Unfortunately, not all situations are easily managed and so we need to involve parents and other agencies. We do not have a blanket procedure that says If ... happens, then ... is the answer. This is because there are usually at least two sides to a story, and there are many back stories too. Some people are neurodiverse, some are coping with past trauma, some have witnessed aggression or inappropriate behaviours online or out of school, or some may have varying standards of behaviour allowed at home. At school, we focus on developing good community members, who are confident and able to communicate, who are empathetic and insightful thinkers. Our aim is always for students to be safe, to be happy and to be learning. We will continue to navigate difficult times together, and as always, we appreciate your support.

🏆 **Congratulations to the Motueka High School teams** for their excellent results last weekend at the Go 4-12 Adventure Race in Napier. MHS took out the top spot in both the Boys and Girls 12-hour Secondary School National Champs. Well done to past students **Louie and Chico** for your teamwork, grit and excellent skills. Fantastic! 🎉

Congratulations also to Stella I who played in the Women's Super Rugby curtain raiser for the Matatū game last weekend. Stella was even interviewed on TV and was able to collect autographs from some superstars, such as Portia Woodman-Wickliffe. Wow - what a great weekend!



An opportunity! (otherwise known as a working bee!) On the first weekend of the holidays, we need some help to concrete an area near the swimming pool changing sheds. We would love some help on Saturday 12 April and Sunday 13 April, digging out, boxing, building a small piece of retaining and setting the mesh. On Monday 14 April the concrete will be poured and so we will need help, and then on Tuesday it would be great to have some help to remove the boxing and tidy up.

Please let me know if you are willing and able to help. Many thanks, in anticipation, Ali. 😊



Science: we are enjoying using some great new science resources from The House of Science. Already this term we have learned about some earth science, the sea and sea life and now we are learning about forensics! These resources provide great opportunities to use scientific skills such as observation, prediction and inference.

PARENT GROUP AGM TOMORROW, THURSDAY 20 MARCH – 3pm Please come along and show your support for our parents group AGM tomorrow at Rathgar House. At the AGM, decisions will be made on the donations from the 2024 Festival and officer roles of Chair, Treasurer and Secretary will be confirmed for this year. This is an important meeting, and we encourage as many of you to attend as possible.

Cakes and Juicies for sale each Friday. Each Friday we have a parent baking roster to provide cakes for sale to our students. Our Parents Group Cake Coordinator is Laura 022 084 2606

For the next few weeks:

Wk 7: 21 March – Amy (Eva) & Josh (Kaidyn)

Wk 8: 28 March – Charlie (Lucy) & Tobias (Manu, Maya)

Wk 9: 4 April – Brooke (Xavier) & Sebastian (Marius)

Wk 10: 11 April – Greg (Silvanis) & Bex (Orianna, Milena)

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