



Ngatimoti School Newsletter

Week One, Term Three 2025



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WELCOME BACK to Term Three everyone!

The floods of 2025. What can we say?

The ripple effect of the floods has been both negative and positive. The devastation, loss of homes, livelihoods, livestock and infrastructure, the mess and the work to keep cleaning up, and the sheer overwhelm and exhaustion some people are feeling cannot be put in words.

On the flip side, the support from neighbours, friends, families and strangers, has been heartwarming. We have had food and water donated by individuals and church groups, by schools and community volunteer groups. We have had people on tractors and diggers, people donating firewood, people clearing driveways and fences and people offering accommodation. We have been given vouchers and meals, and we have had messages of support from around the country.

The Taskforce Kiwi team who stayed at school overnight on Friday and cared for people who were either evacuated or stranded were amazing, as were the Civil Defence RT2 team who came to support during the day.

Thank goodness for the police and our local Fire Party, who were incredibly active around Ngatimoti on Friday evening and Saturday.

Special thanks to the team co-ordinated by Carol Fowler the Motueka attendance officer, for delivering food and blankets to school. Thanks also to the Red Cross, Mitre 10, the Rapid Relief Team, Lions and Rotary, who have all been actively supporting the Ngatimoti community.

This week our school value of RESPECT is all about thinking of others, and this has been evident in so many ways during this crisis.

Thank you to those who have been able to support others, and especially those who have talked with their children about the service to others. Many children love to receive but equally it has been wonderful to see some students eager to give their kind thoughts and help to others. Huge thanks to the St Joseph's school in Nelson, who came out today to give us all a free sausage sizzle for lunch. Wow - how kind!



On Monday the Junior Class made paper flowers and delivered some baking to our school neighbours, John and Margo (right). Please reach out and ask for help if you need it. I really appreciate the flexibility shown by so many around the school bus situation. At this stage, we do not know when bus services will return to normal. Thank you to those who are driving their children to school. Through some community donations, I can offer some support to cover costs with this. Please come to the office and ask.



The ripple effect continues, but it begins with each individual, being resilient and resourceful. There is support available, and Ngatimoti School is proud to be able to co-ordinate some of this. As well, we are very proud of the way students have come to school, with positive mindsets.

Routines and school learning can help with the overwhelm. Our planned learning this week around 'Wheels' has been well received by many, our cool science activities have been fun and interesting!

Tomorrow our Senior Class continue their learning focused on career opportunities. We will travel by bus (free- thanks to Nelson Coachlines generosity) to Upper Moutere School for a day titled 'Inspiring Our Futures'.

This Friday, thanks to an anonymous community member, we are able to offer a free FRIDAY PIE DAY for everyone! As well, some students noticed that we missed our annual mid-winter swim, and so that will be happening on Friday afternoon. This is optional - if your child brings their own togs and towel, we will assume they have your permission to swim.



Rm 4 will sell a cup of pumpkin soup for \$2 and sausage rolls for \$2 TOMORROW, Thursday 17 July to add to our ski trip fundraising.

TERM 3	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SAT/SUN
Week 1	Week One is WHEELS WEEK! Bring your bikes, scooters, ripsticks, rollerskates – anything with wheels this week if you can. We have ramps, signs & obstacle courses set up. This is to introduce our 'On our Way' programme. We strongly recommend helmets, shoes and knee/elbow protection!			17 July \$2 SAUSAGE ROLLS and \$2 PUMPKIN SOUP R5 Inspiring Futures trip	18 July MID-WINTER SWIM IN THE POOL FREE PIE DAY	19/20 July
Week 2	21 July	22 July	23 July Happy Birthday Leia! 🎉 Motueka High School Open Evening for Y8	24 July \$3 SAUSAGE SIZZLE (w. bread and onions) – ski-trip fundraiser	25 July Happy Birthday Oscar! 🎉	26/27 July



Board Elections: Nominations are now open for the election of FOUR parent representatives to the school board. You will find more details and a nomination form with this newsletter, and more on request from the office. Amanda is the Returning Officer for this election and nominations can be dropped into the school office or emailed to office@ngatimoti.school.nz before 6 August.



We have begun the term with some science learning. Pictured left, Room 4 students **Orrin & Oscar** are shown exploring how carbon works as a hydrophobic nano-chemical. Ask your child what they have been investigating in their House of Science learning this week!



It is Wheels Week! Room 1 students, **Sam, Maisey, Cassian and Rita** demonstrate some great balancing skills around the track. Thanks Sport Tasman!



PARENT GROUP: Cakes for sale each Friday. Each Friday we have a parent baking roster to provide cakes for sale to our students. Please send your child with a dollar in cash to buy a cake each week, preferably in a named purse. On your duty day, please provide 24-30 cupcakes, muffins, cake or slice. Our Parent Group Cake Coordinator is Laura 022 084 2606. Contact Laura to swap your rostered cake duty or with any questions. Thank you, parents!

Term 3 roster:

Friday 18 July: Kristin (Maggie, William) and Helene (Isaac)

Friday 25 July: Phoebe (Ella) and Rob (Thea, Maisey)

Friday 1 August: Kate (Ella) and Tania (Castiel)

Friday 8 August: Brenda (Madi, George) and Andy (Leia)

Friday 15 August: Tomas (Orrin) and Brig (Oscar)

Ngatimoti Festival: 26 Oct
Planning will begin soon!
Watch this space for a first meeting date in the next few weeks.

CRAFT CLUB continues next Monday 21 July after school. All welcome. Please remember to bring a koha for Davina to cover her time and materials. Thanks all!

NGATIMOTI NETBALL
THIS SATURDAY 19 JULY

STARS play at 8:30am

FERNS play at 9:40am

DIAMONDS play at 10:50am

Please be at the courts in good time to warm up!

Motueka Tennis Club

Junior Coaching term 3
Wednesdays, 23 July to 3
September (7 weeks)
5-8-year-olds: 3.15 - 4pm
9-11-year-olds: 4 - 5pm

Advanced Juniors (12 years +)
Fridays, 25 July to 5 September,
3.30 – 5pm (six sessions)

Call Rita to register: 021 0250 1480

Email: rita.paczian@worldnet.co.nz
<https://clubspark.kiwi/MotuekaTennis>
or [Motueka Tennis Club Group | Facebook](#)

MOTUEKA HIGH SCHOOL

Invites Year 8 students, together with their parents/caregivers to our

OPEN EVENING
WEDNESDAY 23 July 2025
commencing at 6.30pm in the School Hall.

Come along to experience the many rich opportunities available to your student.

Self-paced tours

OPEN AFTERNOON
FRIDAY 1 August 2025
from 1.45pm—3.00pm

Please rsvp to:
Karen.wells@motuekahigh.school.nz

Today's Learners, Tomorrow's Leaders

Sunday School

St. James' Church, Ngatimoti

This Sunday 20 July at 10.30am. All welcome!

PUT YOUR HAND IN YOUR POCKET FOR THE

Douglas Whanau

RECOVERY FUNDRAISER

HELP SUPPORT THE FAMILY WHILE STACY NAVIGATES HIS HEALING JOURNEY

19 JULY

ENTRY \$20
KIDS KOHA

LIVE MUSIC

FROM 3 PM

NGATIMOTI HALL

BANDS & DJ'S
BOUNCY CASTEL
COFFEE CART

GOAT / VEGE CURRY & RICE \$15
AWESOME RAFFLE
\$5/TICKET OR 5 FOR \$20

DISCO

FRI 25 JULY

6PM-8PM

MOTUEKA HIGH SCHOOL GYM

Y6-Y8 \$5
KOA ENTRY + BRING CASH/ FOR GOODIES

MHS SNRA NETBALL

mhs.netball@gmail.com

PAY ON ARRIVAL
PLEASE WRITE ADULT CONTACT ON CHILD'S ARM

Ngatimoti School Board Elections



Parent Election Notice

Nominations are open for the election of 4 parent representatives to the school board.

All eligible voters will receive a nomination form. Use this form to nominate yourself or someone in your community (with their permission). Information on who is not eligible to be a board member is provided with this notice, and the nomination form.

You do not need anyone else to nominate you. You can nominate yourself.

If you need more nomination forms, contact the school office.

Please note, if you are a current board member and wish to continue on the board, you will still need to submit a nomination form.

Nominations close at **noon** on **Wednesday 6 August**.

Candidate Statement

If you are a candidate, you are invited to submit an optional statement (up to 400 words) and photo. Make sure your statement is received by noon on 6 August so that it can be sent to voters with the voting papers.

The returning officer may remove or edit any part of the candidate's statement if it exceeds 400 words or is offensive or defamatory.

The electoral roll is held at the school and can be viewed during normal school hours.

As nominations are received, there will be a list of candidates' names kept at the school up until election day, which you can view.

Voting closes at **4pm** on 10 September.

Signed

Amanda Cole

Returning Officer

People who are not eligible to be school board members

The following people are not eligible to be school board members. A person who:

- is an undischarged bankrupt; or
- is prohibited from being a director or promoter of, or being concerned or taking part in the management of, an incorporated or unincorporated body under the [Companies Act 1993](#), or the [Financial Markets Conduct Act 2013](#), or the [Takeovers Act 1993](#); or
- is a permanently appointed member of the Board staff, unless they are standing for election as a staff representative; or
- contracts or sub-contracts with the Board without the approval of the Secretary of Education and receives payments exceeding \$25,000 in any financial year. This would also cover situations where a person has a 10% or more shareholding in the contracting company or a company that controls the contracting company; or
- is subject to a property order under the [Protection of Personal and Property Rights Act 1988](#); or
- has been convicted of a specified offence identified in [Schedule 2](#) of the Children's Act 2014, unless that person has obtained a pardon or been granted an exemption; or
- is a person in respect of whom a personal order has been made under that Act that either the person is not competent to manage his or her own property affairs, or does not have the capacity to communicate/make decisions relating to his/her welfare/personal care; or
- is a person who has been convicted of an offence punishable by imprisonment for 2 years or more, or who has been sentenced to imprisonment for any other offence, unless that person has obtained a pardon, served the sentence, or otherwise suffered the penalty imposed on the person; or
- is not a New Zealand citizen, **and** is –
 - a person to whom [section 15](#) or [16](#) of the Immigration Act 2009 applies; or
 - a person obliged, by or pursuant to that Act, to leave New Zealand immediately or within a specified time, being a time that was less than 12 months; or
 - deemed for the purposes of that Act to be in New Zealand unlawfully.

A returning officer for an election (or by elections) of board members is not eligible to be nominated as a candidate in that election.

For more information:

- see clauses 9 and 10 of [Schedule 23](#) of the Education and Training Act 2020 (the list above is a summary of these clauses).
- call NZSBA Advisory and Support Centre 0800 782 435, option 1.



School Board Election NOMINATION FORM

Parent representative



School Name	Ngatimoti
School profile Number	3212

This nomination paper should be delivered to the Returning Officer at Ngatimoti School, 4 Greenhill Road, RD1 Motueka 7196 or office@ngatimoti.school.nz so that it is received no later than noon on **Wednesday 6 August** at 12noon.

Nominator Details

Full Name		
Address/Email		
Phone		
Signature		

NOTE: The nominator must be on the roll for the election, otherwise the nomination is invalid.

Candidate details

Full Name	
Email	
Phone	

Candidate declaration of eligibility

I declare that I have read and understand the ineligibility criteria for school board members, under clauses 9 and 10 of Schedule 23 of the Education and Training Act 2020 and declare that I am eligible to become a board member. I hereby consent to the above nomination and declare that all other information that I have listed on this form is true and correct.

Date	Signature of Candidate
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Candidates are requested to complete the following on an optional basis*:

- Gender: Female / Male / Gender Diverse (circle one)
- Previous experience: (tick one)
 - Current representative standing for re-election ☐
 - Current co-opted or appointed board member standing for election ☐
 - Not a current member but have previously been a member of a school board ☐
 - No previous board experience ☐
 - Other ☐
- Ethnicity:
Which ethnic group or groups do you identify with? (tick as appropriate)
 - ☐ NZ Māori ☐ European (Including NZ European/Pākehā) ☐ Asian
 - ☐ Pacific people ☐ Middle Eastern/Latin American/African (MELAA) ☐ Other

*This candidate information is collected by the Ministry of Education for statistical purposes only and will not be used in a manner in which you may be identified. This information is not required for valid nomination.