



Ngatimoti School Newsletter

Week Four, Term Three 2025



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	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SAT/SUN
Week 4	SCHOOL PHOTOS have now been processed and sent home with students (or emailed according to parent orders). Every child should have received a free class photo 😊 If you have queries about your order, please contact Marian directly 021 240 0416 marianchick@gmail.com			7 August Room 4 Ski Trip cancelled Smash Cricket for Rms 1 & 3	8 August <i>Cakes: Madi, George & Leia</i>	9/10 August Happy Birthday on Sunday, Flint! 🎉
Week 5	11 August Happy Birthday Isaac! 🎉 FESTIVAL MEETING 3pm	12 August	13 August Board Meeting 4pm Rotary Quiz for Manu & Flint 😊	14 August Junior Winter Tournament (Y4-6)	15 August Senior Winter Tournament (Y7 & 8) <i>Cakes: Orrin & Oscar</i>	16/17 August Happy Birthday on Sunday, Pete 🎉
Week 6	18 August	19 August	20 August	21 August Tennis with Vanessa 😊	22 August <i>Cakes: Alex/Anna & Quinn/Tara</i>	23/24 August

Room 4 Ski Trip Cancelled We are disappointed to have had to cancel our ski trip for Room 4 students this week. There is no snow on the mountain! BUT do not despair, as we have raised significant funds from our sausage sizzles to reduce the cost of the ski trip, we now intend to redirect these funds towards another activity for Room 4. Mrs. Milnes will keep students and parents informed of any developments!

Author visit – Kate De Goldi Today we have enjoyed a visit from author Kate De Goldi, NZs third Te Awhi Rito Reading Ambassador. Ask your child what they learned from Kate. We hope they were inspired to keep reading! Kate is also visiting Motueka Library at 4pm this afternoon and you can read more at <https://readingambassador.nz/>



The big clean up continues. We have had groups of students out and about helping restore some local properties as best we can. Above left, Room 4 clearing fences of river debris at the Hadley's place, and above right, some of our enviroleaders clearing silt from around native plantings at the Bulman's. Thanks everyone for doing your bit!



Room 1 & 3 students got stuck into clearing a fence line at the community reserve yesterday. Tomorrow, Room 5 students will be helping at Ed Steven's property up Greenhill Road. Great work!

Buses Many thanks to those of you who have been so patient, flexible and supportive of each other regarding getting your children to school! At this stage we still do not know when our big bus, driven by Ian, will resume its loop. This means that many families along the Westbank are still needing to bring children to school. We really do appreciate you for doing this!

Larry the blue tongued lizard came to visit Room 3 last week! Larry lives happily with William & Maggie. Pictured below, Theia and Leia enjoy getting to know him, but he wouldn't stick out his blue tongue!



Board Elections: Nominations closed today at 12pm

Parent Election Results Declaration

At the close of nominations, as the number of valid nominations was fewer than the number of vacancies required to be filled, I hereby declare the following duly elected:

Andy (Andreas) Gaul

Ollie (Oliver) Langridge

Andy (Andrew) McFarland

Staff Election Results Declaration

At the close of nominations, as there was only one valid nomination received, I hereby declare the following duly elected:

Rochelle Roberts

Signed, *Amanda Cole*

Returning Officer

NGATIMOTI NETBALL THIS SATURDAY 9 August



STARS have a BYE so no game this week

FERNS play **TWO GAMES:** 8.30am & 8.55am

DIAMONDS play at 12pm

Please be at the courts in time to warm up!



Best wishes to **Bella** and **Flint** who both turn 12 years old this week! **Isaac** will be 6 years old on Monday. Congratulations all of you!

Ngatimoti Festival: 26 Oct – meeting next Monday after school.

Our annual festival is organised and run by parents and students of Ngatimoti School with help from members of the wider community. It is that time of year when we need to be putting plans together, and while we appreciate most of you are busy recovering from the recent devastating floods, we hope that we are able to look forward to spring and put on another amazing festival. Our valley is still beautiful, and this is a chance to showcase our community, raising funds to benefit your children whilst here at school. We will have our first parents' organising meeting **NEXT MONDAY 11 AUGUST at 3pm** in Rathgar House here at school. If you are familiar with the process, please let us know what you would like to do to help this year. If you are a new parent, we'd love to see you at the meeting – come and see how you can become involved! There is already some planning happening behind the scenes. If you are unable to make it to the meeting but want to know more, ask another parent, Amanda in the office office@ngatimoti.school.nz or your class teacher.

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

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

Friday 22 August: Ollie (Alex, Anna) & Rebecca (Quinn, Tara)

Friday 29 August: Emma (Jack) & Clyde (Luke & Theia)

Friday 5 September: Catherine (Rua) and Shannon (Ardy, Poppy)

Friday 12 September: Alison (Magnus) and Sarah (Juniper)

FRIDAY 29 AUGUST IS DAFFODIL DAY – WE WILL DONATE OUR CAKE FUNDS TO THE CANCER SOCIETY and there is a collection box in the office for other cash donations 😊



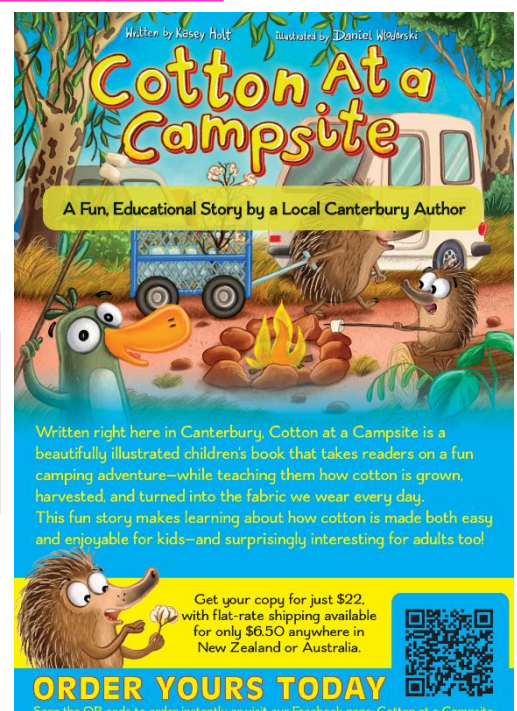
Motueka Skate Park Thursdays

A group of our students and parents have been meeting at the Motueka Skate Park after school on Thursdays. Come along and join the fun if your child needs something active to do after school on Thursdays!

BANANA BOXES WANTED

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Author and mum, Kasey Holt visited us last week while she was here helping her valley family with the clean-up on the Westbank Road. Check out her book "Cotton At a Campsite"



Speed limit changes outside schools You may have noticed we have new road signs near our school! From Tasman District Council: "Schools that are on local roads in the Tasman district now have a 30 km/h limit during pick-up and drop-off times. This limit will only apply on the roads immediately outside the school gates or access points for a 90-minute period at the start and the end of the school day. The new signs clearly show when the variable speed limit applies. The new signs clearly show when the variable speed limit applies. This change aligns with national regulations requiring all councils to introduce safe school speed zones by 1 July 2026. It also supports our goal of safer streets near schools".



The map above may not be clear enough to be useful. Watch out for the new signs while we get used to this change. Main changes are as follows:

- The whole length of Greenhill Road is now 60kph, down to 30kph outside school between 8.15am & 9.45am and 2.15pm – 3.45pm on school days.
- The Motueka Valley Highway has variable speed limits approaching school, changing from 80kph to 60kph, then to 30kph for the stretch immediately outside the school between 8.15am & 9.45am and 2.15pm – 3.45pm on school days

