



Ngatimoti School Newsletter

Week Five, Term Three 2025



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	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SAT/SUN
This week is Week 5	SCHOOL PHOTOS Every child should have received a free class photo. If you have not yet received one, please check at school first. 😊 If you have any other queries about your order, please contact Marian directly 021 240 0416 marianchick@gmail.com			14 August Junior Winter Tournament (Y4-6)	15 August Senior Winter Tournament (Y7 & 8) Cakes: Orrin & Oscar	16/17 August Happy Birthday on Sunday, Pete 🎂
Week 6	18 August	19 August	20 August	21 August Tennis with Vanessa 😊	22 August Cakes: Alex/Anna & Quinn/Tara	23/24 August
Week 7	25 August	26 August	27 August NZEI Paid Union Meetings. School is open as normal.	28 August	29 August Happy Birthday Orianna & Silvanis 🎂 DAFFODIL DAY Cakes: Jack & Luke/Theia	30/31 August

Good luck to **Manu and Flint** who will represent Ngatimoti School at the Rotary Club Great Tasman Primary School Quiz this evening.



You might have heard about changes to the NZ curriculum which came into play this year for both maths and literacy. The **structured literacy** approach is a way of teaching reading and writing that is very step-by-step. Children learn the sounds letters make, how to put those sounds together to make words, and the meaning of words. Skills are taught in a set order, and each new skill builds on what has already been learned, so it is very sequential. We are teaching using this approach throughout the school. If you want to know more, please pop in for a chat with a class teacher.

Thanks to Barry Burger who has been working with some senior students to make traps this week. Orianna is pictured, showing off her drill skills with Barry's supervision.

Flood response and recovery This will be ongoing for some time. In the meantime, Ngatimoti School wants to support families as much as possible.

- Teachers have volunteered to drive our school van each day from school, across Peninsula Bridge and up the Graham Valley. (This is not Ministry funded at all, so thanks to previous Festivals, we have a van that we can use at our discretion!)
- Some food and groceries are still available at school. Please pop in or let us know if you need some.
- If you, or anyone you know of, needs anything in relation to recovering from the floods, please let us know. :)

Board News

This afternoon we have our first meeting of our new board following the triennial election process. We would like to acknowledge the work over the last few years as board members from Chops and Bex who have now stepped down from their board duties. Thank you for your time, energy and support in your roles as board members. You have both brought an immense amount of wisdom and practicality to the board. Welcome to Ollie Langridge, who joins Andy McFarland, Andy Gaul and Rochelle Roberts as board members.



Kate de Goldi came along to school last week. Here she is pictured telling a story to our juniors.



Best wishes to **Pete** who will celebrate his 9th birthday on Sunday! Have a great day Pete, from everyone here at school 😊

Winter Tournaments Good luck to our Year 4-6 students who will compete in the inter-school's winter sports tournament tomorrow, and to our Year 7 & 8 students whose competition day is on Friday. Thanks to all the parents who have helped coach, support and transport for these events. Thanks also to ex-student Phoebe who has volunteered her time to help coach the football teams.

Room 4 Teapot Valley Trip – next Thursday 21 August Permission notices and information is attached to paper copies of this newsletter for Room 4 students today. Please return these promptly to Lauren in Rm 4 due to the short notice. We have managed to secure a fantastic day of adventure at Teapot Valley to replace the ski-trip which was cancelled due to lack of snow. If you have already paid towards the ski trip you will receive a refund from the school office soon.

Book Club



Issue 6 Book Club Brochures have just landed! Please place any orders before 26 August to arrive before the end of term.

Ngatimoti Festival: Labour Weekend Sunday 26 October

Thank you to everyone who came along to the meeting this week – we have a great team of willing parents out there once again! Thanks heaps to Bethany Harrison for taking on the Facebook page admin role – send any content you want to put out there to Beth via Facebook or through the school office. The craft stall forms are being prepared, and our Silent Auction team are already seeking and bringing in donations. We have other families working on our famous café, curry, spit roast and schnitzel stalls, and the plant stall group are already planning and planting. We will also hope to create the cutest animal tent, the infamous cow-pat bingo, face painting and kid's games. Thanks to you all for continuing to do what you do with enthusiasm! **If you do not have a job on the day, please confirm at the school office where you would prefer to be! We need gate staff, parking people, and café workers. We are now also accepting donations of good quality second hand items for our Festival Treasure Trove – thanks once again to Johan & Emelie for organising this. Bring your donations to school and we can have them collected and stored until Festival weekend. Thank you all of you!**

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 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 19 September: Ianthe (Vincent) and Jacqui (Leah)

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 😊

NGATIMOTI NETBALL THIS SATURDAY 16 August

For our Stars and Ferns this is the last week of play. Enjoy your orange themed dress ups! 2 games for all teams as follows:

STARS play at 8.55am and 9.20am

FERNS play at 8.55am and 9.20am

DIAMONDS play at 10.10am and 10.35am

It's a big weekend for netballers! See overleaf for more details of fundraisers and fun games

NETBALL PRIZEGIVING AT SCHOOL FOR ALL TEAMS FRIDAY 5 SEPTEMBER

3.30pm after school, here at Ngatimoti School. There will be fun games, food and celebrations! Please bring a plate to share, your netball skills and shoes too!

🏐 Junior Netball Mini Tournament 🏐

Each team will play **2 games** during the tournament, with **8-minute halves** to keep the pace fast and fun.

To help everything run smoothly and on time, we kindly ask all teams to **exit the court promptly after their game** finishes.

Good luck to all teams — let the games begin!

!!Turn the courts into a RAINBOW!!

Each school has been given a color, show us your spirit by dressing up.

**LOWER MOUTERE, ST PETER CHANEL, NGATIMOTI, RIWAKA, BROOKLYN,
PAKARANA, TASMAN, MOTUEKA SOUTH, UPPER MOUTERE, COLLINGWOOD**



Junior Netball Prizegiving



Prizegiving for **ALL** junior teams will be on **Courts 1 and 2** at **11:30am** so please stick around after your games.

MHS SENIOR A ●●●●●●●●
future FERNs FUNDRAISER
3:00pm - 4:00pm Sunday 17 Aug
Motueka Netball Courts
\$5 TO ENTER CONTACT 027 4837 462 mhs.netball@gmail.com
per player - includes entry to the Snr A game at 5pm enter as a team or an individual & join in on the fun

5:00pm Sun 17 Aug Mot Rec Centre
MOTUEKA HIGH SENIOR A GAME DAY FUNDRAISER
MHS SNR A GOLD VS TOP MNC TEAM
GOLD COIN ENTRY • FOOD FOR SALE
SUPPORT THE TEAM GET TO SOUTH ISLANDS IN DUNEDIN

Neon glam DISCO
Y4-Y6 \$5 FRI 15 AUG
5:30-7:30
MOTUEKA HIGH SCHOOL HALL
bring cash
SUNDRIES PIZZA SAUSAGES GOODIES GLOWS & MORE
PAY ON ARRIVAL
ADULT CONTACT WRITTEN ON ARM
mhs.netball@gmail.com
SUPPORT OUR SENIOR A NETBALL TEAM
REACH SOUTH ISLAND CHAMPS DUNEDIN

SUNDAY SCHOOL at St. James' Church
This Sunday 17 August at 10.30am
All welcome!

BANANA BOXES WANTED
Phone Juliette
021 087 79986

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!

Bridge Valley Holiday Camps

These upcoming school holidays, Bridge Valley is running "Medieval" themed kids camps, full of fun, adventure, and great community. Camps are a great way for kids to get out of their comfort zone in a safe place and spend time outdoors without technology. We have activities like rock climbing, laser tag, mini golf, archery, flying fox across the lake, and also medieval themed wide games each day. Check out our details below!

Junior Camp - ages 8-11

22nd - 26th September

Sign up at www.bridgevalley.co.nz

Ultimate Camp - ages 11-13

29th Sep - 3rd Oct

Email: holidaycamps@bridgevalley.co.nz Ph: 03 541 8465