



Ngatimoti School Newsletter

Week Ten, Term Three 2025



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Week 10	15 September	16 September	17 September	18 September	19 September	20/21 September
MĀORI LANGUAGE WEEK			MoTec Challenge Y7/8 Good luck to Leah, Maggie, Piko & Viggo!	MoTec Challenge Y5/6 Good luck to Orrin, Milena, Rafael & Makaira	Last day of Term Three Cakes: Vincent & Leah N RED HOUSE PARTY	Happy Birthday Leah SB! <i>Happy Holidays</i>
Week 1 Term 4	6 October  TERM 4 SUN HAT TERM WEAR YOUR HAT EVERY DAY	7 October	8 October Science Roadshow at MHS for Y7/8 Board Meeting	9 October	10 October  PET DAY Cakes: Grace & Rua	11/12 October
ALL STUDENTS MUST WEAR WIDE BRIMMED HATS TO PLAY OUTSIDE AT SCHOOL IN TERM 4 😊 Festival Day is at the end of Week 3 next term!			CRAFT CLUB CONTINUES on Mondays next term. Davina will run this in the Library. Please send a koha for time and materials 😊			

**TE WIKI O
TE REO MĀORI**
14–20 o Hēpetema 2025



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MŌ AKE TONU TE REO



On 28 November, Ngatimoti School is looking forward to joining other schools from the Motueka area at a fun Kapa Haka day. We have been practising a lot in preparation for a great performance!

Māori Language Week: It is amazing the changes that have happened in Aotearoa NZ over the past 50 years, with te reo Māori being recognised and celebrated. So many of us know a number of kupu (words) that are seen and heard regularly in our lives. Ka pai!

CONGRATULATIONS to Red House - go Whero! With the most RIVER tickets collected this term coming from the mighty Red House, they will be treated to a lunchtime BBQ and games afternoon this Friday. **Congratulations also to Maisiey, Anaea, Juniper and Manu** who had the most individual noticings about being their best this term. Well done for making Ngatimoti School a great place to be.

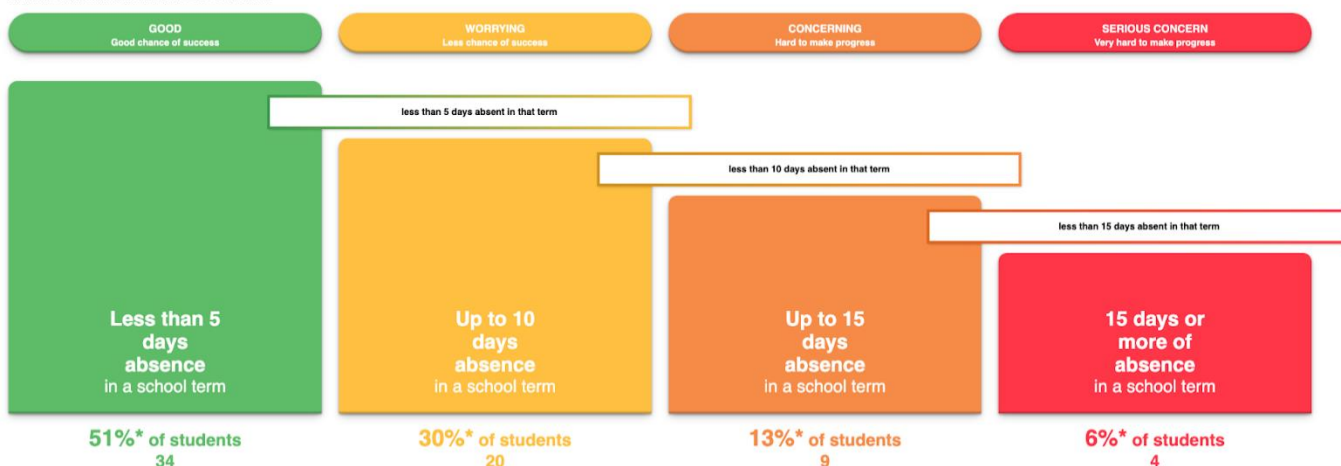
Learning Tours: Thanks to the parents who were able to come to our kura last week to see some learning in action. If you missed this opportunity, please let us know if you would like to pop in some time.

Attendance: Do you know where your tamariki sit on the graph below for Term 3? Every day that your child misses school has an impact, not just on your own child, but on their friends, their classmates and their teacher. Huge thanks to the parents who value education and who expect their child to come to school every day. Attendance builds resilience, confidence and social skills. It creates a sense of belonging to a community and gives opportunities for us to grow our thinking, our knowledge and understandings. Let's work together to increase our attendance data next term.

Stepped Attendance Response - STAR

Responding to all absences

The Government's target is for 80% of students to attend regularly, that is to attend school more than 90% of the time.



Next term: We begin Term 4 with a Senior Class trip to the Science Roadshow which is being held at Motueka High School. Science is a real strength of Ngatimoti School, and this national roadshow gives yet another excellent opportunity for our students to immerse themselves in science activities. Again, this will be fully funded by our Festival profits.



Our annual **pet day** is happening on the first Friday back! It will be for the morning only, beginning at 9 a.m. and we should be finished by about 11 a.m. This is a fun morning for students to show their pets off! It is not compulsory to bring a pet. If you do not have a pet, you can bring a favourite teddy bear or soft toy – one per student! Parents, please arrange to take all pets home around 11 a.m. 😊

As well as the fabulous Festival, we look forward to lots of learning based on this year's theme of Pathways. We have

- An international language and culture day on 5 November, where we will be hosting guests, sharing a potluck lunch and learning some international languages
- A Talent Showcase - students can begin to think about entering with a song, dance, musical recital, joke or display of any of their talents! This will be held later in the term.
- Outdoor education, with Exploring Marine Reserves learning for the seniors, class trips to Bark Bay and a special trip for Enviro-leaders
- Learning about eels, whales and dolphins
- Kapa Haka inter-schools day later in November
- Athletics for everyone - run, jump, throw

**PLEASE RETURN YOUR NETBALL AND SPORTS T-SHIRTS TO SCHOOL THIS WEEK
THANK YOU!**

Ngatimoti School Board A vacancy is available on the school board for a parent representative. If you are interested in being selected, please contact Andy McFarland, Ali or Amanda at school. There will be a meeting on Wednesday 6 October (postponed from this afternoon), when the board will make a decision regarding this vacancy.

Term 4 Sports teams with Sport Tasman
REGISTER your interest in the following sports at the Motueka Rec. Centre for Term 4.

TOUCH RUGBY: Y1/2 & Y7/8 play Wednesdays

Registered so far – Piko, Marius, Pedro, Benji

Y3/4 & 5/6 play Tuesdays

KI-O-RAHI: Years 6-8 only, play Mondays.

Registered so far - Orrin

Register your name with Amanda in the office and we will see if we can get some teams together! If we do not have enough players to form our own team, you can still join another team. Amanda will register you with Sport Tasman on your behalf. There is a cost to parents of \$15 per player for the term and parents are most welcome to use the school van if it is available to transport teams to Motueka.

NOTE: THERE IS AN ALTERNATIVE TOUCH RUGBY OPPORTUNITY IN RIWAKA ON THURSDAYS AS ADVERTISED RIGHT. ROCHELLE ROBERTS HAS MORE INFORMATION.



\$50 per team

2025

MOTUEKA TOUCH RUGBY KIDS TOUCH YEARS 3-8

Thursdays at Riwaka Rugby Club & Cemetery Grounds
 16th October - 18th December
 4pm - 5.30pm

NEW FORMAT
 Mixed Grades = Year 3-5 & Year 6-8
 School or Club Teams entered for mixed grades.
 Start Date 16th October

NEW Boys & Girls Grade Year 5 - 8
 MUSTER for interested individual players on
 Thursday 9th October, 4.30pm - 5pm. Teams formed.
 All teams 4.45pm - 5.30pm for games.

- Team uniforms to be worn
- Footwear required (No metal spurs)
- Mixed teams must have 2 girls on field
- Two points for girls tries
- To be eligible for Motueka Representative teams must play in our module

Registration Link for Mixed or Boys & Girls Teams:
<https://www.sporty.co.nz/viewform/368652>

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 Cake Coordinator is Laura 022 084 2606. Contact Laura to swap your rostered cake duty or with any questions. Thanks parents!

Term 3 roster:

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

Term 4 – for the first few weeks

Friday 10 October: Kathryn (Grace) & Catherine (Rua)

Friday 17 October: Dan (Benji) & Nele (Manu, Maya)

Friday 24 October: Please could everyone bake for our festival café this weekend 😊

Ngatimoti Festival: Labour Weekend Sunday 26 October. This week's festival update:

- ✓ **Parent roster:** Café workers wanted!! Also volunteers to help in the animal tent.
- ✓ **Bring in your donations of GOOD QUALITY second hand items.** A great school holiday job, have a spring clean! Books, trinkets, kitchenware, clothes etc are most welcome!
- ✓ **Like and share the facebook page** – Ngatimoti Festival.
- ✓ **Lemons** wanted. We have people making lemonade syrup and your donations of lemons are very welcome. Send them into the office. Thank you.
- ✓ **Silent Auction Donations** If you have any ideas for donations towards our silent auction, particularly popular are services like massages, vouchers and visual items like artworks, trailers of firewood etc. let our auction team know through the office or ngatimotifestivalauction@gmail.com
- ✓ **Seating wanted:** Ideas for scattered seating around festival: Hay bales, bean bags, outdoor furniture
- ✓ If you know of any mobile coffee carts who might want to attend our festival, please email ngatimotifestivalfood@gmail.com



Rita & Zakai are pictured, happily painting a pallet scarecrow in enviro time last week.

Every year before our festival, we like to advertise with colourful and quirky scarecrow style creations. Although Festival Day is 3 weeks after the holidays, it would be great if each family could make a start on their scarecrow during the holiday break. Position it outside your house, pointing in the direction of school with a clear sign:

NGATIMOTI FESTIVAL
SUNDAY 26 OCTOBER 10am-4pm
RAIN OR SHINE

We look forward to seeing all your interesting characters popping up around the valley!

HOLIDAY SEWING LESSONS

LOOKING FOR AN ACTIVITY FOR YOUR KIDS THESE HOLIDAYS?

KIDS SEWING LESSONS (INDIVIDUAL OR PAIR) AVAILABLE IN PIGEON VALLEY

\$40 PER 75 MINUTE LESSON (\$50 FOR A PAIR) INCLUDING MATERIALS

LOADS OF TIMES AVAILABLE, BEGINNERS TO EXPERIENCED

TO BOOK, SIMPLY EMAIL ME ON SALES@PATERPILLAR.CO.NZ, OR VIA MY FB PAGE, PATERPILLAR SEWING LESSONS



SYNTROPIC FOOD FOREST WORKSHOP

When - Saturday 18th & Sunday 19th October

Where - Chifull Sanctuary, 412 Main Road Riwaka.

Investment - \$150 (lunches included)

Join Nicole, Duncan & Jade for a 2-day hands-on journey into the world of syntropic food forests. Learn how to grow abundance, restore ecosystems, and heal the land using regenerative, nature-based methods. Open to all levels!

Secure your ticket via the QR code or on Humanitix.com



GOLD COIN ENTRY

Tapawera Spring Show

11AM - 3PM

SATURDAY 11TH OCTOBER 2025

PET DAY
CAKE DECORATION
FOOD STALLS
ENTERTAINMENT
LEGO COMPETITION
AND MORE!

TAPAWERA AREA SCHOOL

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Holiday Programmes

Go Wild (7-10 yrs)
• September 22 - 26 | \$420pp

Kaitiaki Kids (10-12 yrs)
• September 29 - October 3 | \$420 pp

ENROL NOW! www.wio.org.nz

WHENUA ITI OUTDOORS

After an exhausting term cleaning up and trying to restore some kind of normality to our lives by the river, we wish you all a fun, safe and happy holiday before we head into the final term of 2025! Ka kite koe i te wahanga o muri 😊