



Ngatimoti School Newsletter

Week Four, Term Four 2025



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Wk 4	29 October Good luck to our touch team who play the MSS Marvels at 3.30pm this afternoon. Please pay your \$15 subs to the school account 03 1354 0359568 00. Thank you. If you have yet to pay anything for Festival, plants or silent auction etc, please pay to the NGATIMOTI FESTIVAL account 03 1354 0354943 00 (not school 😊)			30 October 	31 October No parent baking required. \$1 juicie, \$1 Sherbet, \$2 Ice Cream NGATIMOTI ATHLETICS DAY	1/2 November ATYA powhiri at MHS on Sunday
Wk 5	3 November CRAFT CLUB IN THE LIBRARY	4 November Board Meeting 4pm	5 November "The Power of Languages" show. CULTURAL DAY LUNCH 😊	6 November 	7 November Summer Tournament for Y7/8 students Cakes: Marius & Rafael/Eleanor Happy Birthday to Maisey (7) and Piko (12)	8/9 November Happy Birthday to Whaea Beth, and Orrin (11) on Sunday
Wk 6	10 November CRAFT CLUB IN THE LIBRARY	11 November 	12 November Junior Athletics for selected 8-10-year-old students at Lower Moutere	13 November Mana Whaitake R4 Senior Athletics at LMO	14 November Cakes: Stella & Makaira, Shylo, Zaria	15/16 November

Why did the chicken cross the road?

To get to the Ngatimoti Festival, of course!!

Congratulations to **Theia & Luke**, whose clever and creative chicken scarecrow was declared the overall winner of the scarecrow competition! Other scarecrow awards were given to **Cassian, Anaea, Rua and Piko**.

Well done to everyone who made an effort to create something to advertise our festival. Everyone's hard work paid off yet again; what an amazingly successful day we pulled off for the 23rd time!

Wow. Phenomenal. Incredible. Lucky!

Wow, what a great turnout of people.

Phenomenal, what an amazing community to pitch in like you did.

Incredible, what a result, with some good profits and lots of happy vibes.

Lucky, we need to thank the weather gods!



The 23rd Ngatimoti Festival was a great success. We have had a lot of feedback from near and far about the great organisation, the friendliness of our students and the happy Festival 'feels'. THANK YOU for your generosity, big or little, that you contributed. **Special huge thanks** to those who really did put in the hours before, during and after the day. You know who you are!

The festival is about people and about profits. The positivity of people is difficult to measure but the profits are clear! It looks like we had at least 5500 people through the gates, and many of our stalls sold out of goods, making thousands of dollars. Exact figures still need to be calculated as costs need to be taken out yet, but all in all, we are pretty happy!

The Treasure Trove of second-hand goods did incredibly well this year, and there are still lots of great items left. If you would like to pop in to have a look and TAKE WHAT YOU NEED, you are most welcome. These goods are safely stored at school now, so pop into the office if you are interested.

If you have a cake plate or container missing, it is likely still in the LSC office. Please pop in to collect it soon.

Once again, thank you everyone. You are all amazing and I am very humbled to be the Principal of such a great school. 😊



Clover the Cow doing her job, with the Hunter family looking on expectantly!

And the stunning view of our bustling school grounds on Festival Day.

If you have a great photo or two that you don't mind sharing, please send them to office@ngatimoti.school.nz, as we like to collect them for next year's advertising.

Ngatimoti School Athletics Day THIS FRIDAY All students will take part in this Friday's school athletics event, beginning at 11.30am and continuing after lunch through to the end of the day. Parents are most welcome to come and watch the action and help with some of the rotations. Students 8 years and older will be selected to compete in the Interschool's competitions at Lower Moutere School from Friday's results.

Cultural Day – shared lunch next Wednesday 5 November

Our school strategic goals are:

- 1. Learners can navigate a diverse and changing world.**
- 2. Learners connect positively with others, navigating as a member of a community.**

As a part of Goal 2, we aim to grow inter-cultural understanding.

We had our successful hāngi in Term 2 and next week we are planning a session around international languages and cultures. To celebrate this, the Student Council is organising an International Extravaganza next Wednesday. They envisage a shared pot-luck lunch, with students bringing some sort of food that originates from another country. Ideally this might be from a country that you have a connection to, such as an ancestor, but we understand if that is too difficult! Any contributions with a link to the big wide world will be appreciated!

Birthday apologies to Manu and Alex! Contrary to last week's newsletter, Alex turned 11 years old and Manu was 12 years old last week! Doh! Hope you both enjoyed your special days 😊

PARENT GROUP: Cakes AND JUICIES 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, and another dollar if they would also like to buy a Juicie, 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!

THIS FRIDAY WE WILL SELL \$2 ICE CREAM POTTLES, \$1 JUICIES AND \$1 SHERBET.

Term 4 roster

Friday 7 November: Marlene (Marius) and Nathalie (Rafael, Eleanor)

Friday 14 November: Tobias (Makaira, Shylo & Zaria) and Brent (Stella)

Friday 21 November: Jacqui (Leah) & Bethany (Cassian)

Friday 28 November: Vicky (Jordan, Leah) & Sam (Bella, Connor)

Friday 5 December: Alisa (Luke, Theia) and Tao (Madi, George)

Friday 12 December: Andy (Maggie, William) and Chops (Pedro, Freddie)

We have heaps of mint, tomato and bbq sauce left if anyone needs some!



Candice, Katrin & Sophie, happy in the wash truck.



Sarah, Nathalie & Rachael serving schnitzel.



Maggie, Jack & Leah at the kid zone finding new homes for sunflowers.

Emma, Alastair, Tomas, Tobias & Sam – a super spit roast team!



**THANK YOU
EVERYONE!**

Festival Feedback

We would like to collect your ideas, wisdom and experiences while it's fresh in your minds, to help us with planning for next year. **Use another piece of paper if you have more to say!**

NAME:

The area/s we were involved with:

What worked well in that area:

What was missing / had too much of / ran out of / needs to change:

Things we noticed that relate to the functioning of the festival overall: (e.g. advertising / signage / money/ parking/ rubbish / layout)

Suggestions about other stalls / activities we noticed about other sections:

Other stalls/ activities we could do next year / should drop.

Thank-yous have been or need to be sent to the following businesses / people in the community:

We think that the funds raised could make the most impact to our children's schooling by being used for:

Spending areas that have been done in the past that we really value (e.g. stationery, photos, subsidising swimming pool key, solar panels to heat swimming pool, dance lessons, creative arts, performances, bands, sports, additional teaching resources) are: