



Ngatimoti School Newsletter

Week Eight, Term One 2026



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Week 8	Wednesday 25 March Board meeting #2 6pm
Week 9	<p>Tuesday 31 March: Rooms 1 & 3 will visit Bark Bay – LEAVING SCHOOL AT 8am</p> <p>Wednesday 1 April House party for this term's overall winning house.</p> <p>Thursday 2 April is the last day of Term One!</p>



What a great week! Last Thursday was fun, with so many vintage cars and visitors at school. A huge thank you to our amazing students who represented Ngatimoti School so well, using their R.I.V.E.R. values. We had many visitors in awe of our students' manners and attitudes, and these people made a special effort to come and tell us about how impressed they were. Some have even emailed afterwards.

We were privileged to be part of the Vintage Car Rally that visited your school. The children were a delight and ever so polite. This I am sure is due to you and your staff, and the children's parents. The pleasure we got from this day will live with us for a long time. Please express our gratitude to your staff, all the children and their parents.
Kindest Regards, Raewyn and Stipe Borich

I visited your beautiful school last week in our vintage car as part of the Vero International Historic Motoring Festival. I just wanted to say that our visit to your school was one of the highlights of the week, and I would like to thank the school - teachers, parents and students for a wonderful day.



Your students were charming - welcoming, polite, and clearly enjoying the day. It was a great pleasure watching them get into the spirit of the event, dressing for the day, and enjoying rides around the school grounds. I hope that they learned a little too, about the history of transport around the country. So, thanks everyone for your outstanding hospitality - you have a school to be truly proud of.

Regards, Penny Appelman



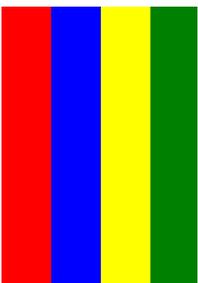
It made a real difference to the fun atmosphere that so many were able to dress up last Thursday. Everybody looked amazing, but it was so hot and there were many comments about how uncomfortable old-fashioned clothes were 😊



ATYA: Two weekends ago, our four Abel Tasman youth ambassadors had a camp at Motupipi School. They then spent the weekend at a range of Golden Bay sites, exploring, monitoring and learning from others about the impacts people are having on the environment. This weekend, they have another camp. This time they will be staying at the Brook Sanctuary in Nelson and will spend some of the night looking out for kiwi and tuatara. They will then be helpful guides at the Open Day on Sunday.

Our Y4 and above Enviroleaders did a fantastic job at the Moturoa Mission last week where they competed against other schools in sustainability challenges at Rabbit Island. Ka pai Kaidyn, Anaea, Maya, Amelia, Piko, Leon, Oscar, Rafael and Alex. Thanks also to Nathalie for accompanying the team and sending this team photo 😊

Teacher Trainees Next week we welcome two teacher trainees who are working with the University of Canterbury. Elisabeth will work mostly in the Senior Class and Reed will mostly be in Room 3. How lucky are we!



As the term comes to an end, we look forward to acknowledging the winning House Group for the term. House points are awarded to students when they receive a R.I.V.E.R. ticket, or when a House Group is noticed for being particularly awesome. This term, the winning house will be treated to an afternoon at the waterslide at Heather and Dood's on Westbank Road next Wednesday 1 April. We will announce the winning house on Friday.

Parents Group AGM What a fantastic turn out of parents for last week's AGM. Thank you all for making the effort. Officers were elected for 2026 as follows:

- Chairperson: Jess King-Harris (Lacie's mum)
- Secretary: Claire Haskell (Connor R's mum)
- Treasurer: Jen Cawood (Pete & Rita's mum)
- Cake roster co-ordinator: Laura Townley (Thea & Maisey's mum)

Donations from our hugely successful 2025 Festival were agreed:

- \$49,000 to Ngatimoti School
- \$500 Rotary Club
- \$1,000 Westpac Rescue Helicopter
- \$300 St. Johns Ambulance
- \$200 Ngatimoti Defibrillator
- \$200 Kai Collective
- \$200 St. James' Church

We are hugely grateful for all parents' hard work around Festival enabling us to make these significant donations to school and community organisations. Thank you all. There will be a meeting scheduled next term sometime to begin planning this year's big day on Sunday 25 October. The full minutes from the AGM will be available soon.



Thanks to Sam Flewitt for coming along to talk to some of our students about black holes and space science. Fascinating! Ask your R4 or R5 child what spaghettification is! Thanks Sam!

From Arsalan Moin, Psychologist and Educator, founder of Psychological Treatment:

You are not just teaching your child how to clean a bathroom. You are teaching them how to respect the space they share with other people.

You tell them to wipe the counter, to put their dishes in the sink, to clean up their own mess. You think you are just teaching them a chore.

Let's call it what it really is. You are teaching them one of the most basic forms of human decency.

Cleaning a shared space is not about being tidy. It is a silent, powerful statement that says, "I respect the other people who live here." Leaving a mess is a statement that says, "My convenience is more important than your comfort."

The child who never learns this becomes an adult who is a nightmare to live with. A roommate who leaves their mess for others. A partner who expects their spouse to be their maid.

Don't just teach them how to clean. Teach them why we clean. It is the first and most simple way we show respect for the people we love.

SPORTS FOR TERM TWO – TIME TO REGISTER NOW

NETBALL!!

Rochelle is organising our school netball teams again this year and now needs to know who is going to play! Games begin at the Motueka courts on Saturday 9th May for Year 7 & 8, and for other teams on Saturday 16th May. A separate notice has been sent

home. Please return it to school asap (ask Amanda for another copy if you need one). Queries about the netball season to rochelle@ngatimoti.school.nz

NOTE: The Year 1 & 2 netball programme is run by the Motueka Netball Club at the Recreation Centre after school later in the year. Watch out for more details next term.

Sport Tasman leagues for Term Two – Indoor Football and Miniball (basketball)

After school for Year 3 and above at the Motueka Recreation Centre. \$15 per player for the term.

Football: Y3-5 Mondays, Y6-8 Thursdays. **Miniball:** Y3/4 & 5/6 Tuesdays, Y7/8 Wednesdays.

Starting in Week 3, Term 2. **Register your name at the school office now to join a team.**

SO FAR: River and Kaidyn have registered for the Y5 Indoor Football. 😊

Cakes and Juicies for sale each Friday.

Each Friday we have a parent baking roster to provide cakes for sale to our students. Funds raised go towards parent group funds. Watch out for your name on the termly roster and when it's your duty day, we would appreciate it if you could bake enough for approximately 30 pieces of cake/slice to sell for \$1 each. If you are unable to bake on your rostered Friday, please let us know so that we can make a new plan. Thanks all!

Please send your child with one dollar for a piece of cake and one dollar for a Juicie if you want them to buy a cake and/or Juicie on Fridays. They should also bring a healthy lunch on Fridays. Our Parents Group Cake Coordinator is Laura 022 084 2606. Thanks Laura!

For the rest of Term One:

Friday 27 March: Shannon (Ardy, Poppy) & Josh (Kaidyn)

Friday 3 April is Good Friday

To begin Term Two:

Friday 24 April: Justina (Sol) & Tobias (Manu & Maya)

Friday 1 May: Danny (Leah) & Jola (Piko)

Friday 8 May: Phoebe (Ella) & Candice (Te Rehua & Waiata)



ST. JAMES CHURCH NGATIMOTI

10.30-11.30 every third Sunday of the Month
Sunday School
Tea and cake after service
All welcome

April 19th



- ✓ **Return your swimming pool key** to the office to receive your \$10 refund.
- ✓ **Motec fees** are due for Y7 & 8 students: \$80 for the year. Please ask Amanda if you are unsure whether you have paid.

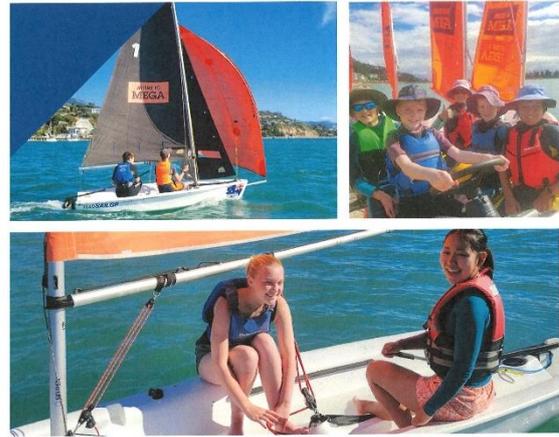
Our thoughts are with the family of Nova Davey, a past teacher and always a positive supporter of Ngatimoti School. Nova passed away on Saturday 21 March.

Organic/Spray Free Pears, Apples & Figs



Koha if you come and pick your own or \$4 per kg for apples and pears if collected from school.

Contact Jade - jade@ngatimoti.school.nz



EASTER HOLIDAY CAMPS

Course Dates: 7th - 10th April and 13th - 17th April

Optimist Sailing

These iconic little boats are the starting point on many sailors' journey. Suitable for ages 8-11 years, beginner, intermediate & advanced classes. 3-day option available.

Topaz Sailing

For age 11+, learn to sail in something stable and comfy, then progress in to a Fusion Sailboat & RS Feva for intermediate levels.



Nelson Yacht Club | Location: 322 Wakefield Quay, Nelson, 7010 | Tel: +64 22 439 0100 | info@nelsonyachtclub.org.nz



LEARN - RACE - CONNECT

SHRED WITH FRIENDS
IMPROVE SKILLS & CONFIDENCE
HAVE FUN! SAFE SENDS!

NELSON NIGHT RIDES
WEDNESDAYS
Codgers MTB Park
4-6pm, 10+ yrs

SUNDAY SHREDS
MINI SHREDDERS
Rabbit Island
12.30-2pm
6-9 yrs

RICHMOND
Silvan Forest MTB Park
3-5pm
8-15 yrs

MINI SHREDDERS
THURSDAYS
Maitai Recreation Hub
3.30-5pm, 6-9 yrs

BOOKINGS OPEN FRIDAY 20TH MARCH @ 5PM - VIA WEBSITE

www.krankinkids.co.nz

info@krankinkids.co.nz

1000 Minute Reading Trackers

Read It? Colour It!

Read for 20 minutes a day for 50 days
this equals 1000 minutes of reading!

Lots to choose

Reading trackers can be collected from any library branch throughout the school year.

Ages 5+

Check out the library website www.tasmanlibraries.govt.nz

