



Ngatimoti School Newsletter

Week Three, Term Two 2026



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TERM AND HOLIDAY DATES	<p>We have a Ministry of Education Teacher Only day on Friday 22 May, once again focussing on the new maths curriculum.</p> <p>King's Birthday holiday is Monday 1 June. Term Two ends on Friday 3 July</p>
What's coming up?	<p>This week, the Life Education truck will visit us on Thursday and Friday.</p> <p>In Week 4, Ripa Rugby next Tuesday for some Rm 4 students</p> <p>SCHOOL PHOTO DAY next Wednesday 13 May</p> <p>Langridge property visits Rms 4 & 5 on Thursday 14th and Rooms 1 & 3 on Friday 15th May.</p> <p>Friday 15 May is also PINK SHIRT DAY – wear pink to promote kindness!</p> <p>In Week 5 more environmentally focussed learning in Enviro week, followed by Book Week and our school Cross-Country event in Week 6.</p>



A whakatauki from Ngāti Tama:

This reflects our learning this year about having courage and taking responsibility.

Tama tu ki te tauihu, tama ora ki te ao. Stand proud at the prow, and you will thrive in the world.

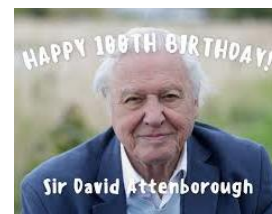


Over the past two weeks, we have been showing social courage by sitting or playing with someone different or by thinking about being in someone else's shoes.

This week we have an innovative courageous challenge, risking what could be a bad idea! This involves a paper cup, water and the playground!

A world- renowned scientist, environmentalist and adventurer, Sir David Attenborough, is turning 100 years old this Friday. What an achievement and what a life of learning, courage and curiosity to be celebrating!

Everyone is invited to bring a stuffed animal toy to join in a small celebration to acknowledge the work of this great role model on Friday morning.



Also, this week, we are excited to welcome the Life Education truck back on Thursday and Friday. This learning builds on our understanding of responsibilities within a community, which might include learning about teamwork and leadership, decision making, friendships and mental health. Thanks to previous Festival profits, these lessons are free for your children. Please ask them what they learned.



Happy Birthday to Makaira who celebrates his 11th birthday today! Only 89 years younger than Sir David Attenborough!

Have a great day Makaira, from everyone here at school.

2026 Kiwi Reading, Maths, Science Competitions The deadline for entries is next week - 13 May.



Registrations are open to students in Year 5 and above who wish to take part in these competitions. The cost is \$9.90 per exam. If you need a new entry form, please ask at the school office.



This week is Road Safety Week, and we want to give a big shout out to our bus drivers Ian and Kate who drive our tamariki safely to school and back every day. Thanks Ian and Kate!




Stay safe out there on the roads everyone.

MOTEC UPDATE Room 5 students began their new rotations at Motec from this week. As we move into colder weather, students will be wearing warmer clothing. It helps if long sleeves aren't too baggy, as cuffs can get damaged, and loose clothing can present health and safety risks when using machinery.

There is no drinking fountain at MoTEC; only a bottle-filling station. Please remind students to bring a drink bottle if they wish to use it, as it's not designed for direct drinking.

NETBALL!! Training Thursday after school for the Ferns and Diamonds this week. The Diamonds (Y7/8) will play their first game this **Saturday 9th May**. There are 2 games to play in the Yvonne Primmer grading tournament.

The draw is below. PLEASE ARRIVE AT THE COURTS 30 min before the scheduled games:

09/05/2026 11:15 AM Motueka Netball Courts: Court 2	MSS Steel Motueka South School		VS	 Ngatimoti Diamonds Ngatimoti School	MHS Manuka [Umpire], ROG Royal [Umpire]
09/05/2026 3:00 PM Motueka Netball Courts: Court 4	LMS Firebirds Lower Moutere School		VS	 Ngatimoti Diamonds Ngatimoti School	MHS Kowhai [Umpire], Huia Kaha [Umpire]

Games begin for the Ferns (Y5/6) next Saturday 16 May. All teams should keep in touch via your chat groups set up by your coach or manager. Please pay fees to the school account 03 1354 0359568 00. Thanks to those who have already paid: Y3/4 = \$30, Y5/6 = \$35, Y7/8 = \$40.

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 love you to bake enough for approximately 30 pieces of cake/slice to sell for \$1 each. Please send your child with one dollar for a piece of cake and one dollar for a Juicie if you wish. They should also bring a healthy lunch on Fridays. Thanks to our Cake Coordinator Laura. For the first few weeks, the baking roster is as follows:

Term Two: This Friday 8 May: Danny (Leah) Candice (Te Rehua & Waiata)

Friday 15 May: Kate (Orrin) & Ollie (Alex, Anna)

Friday 22 May is a teacher only day

Friday 29 May: Beth (Cassian & Iver) & Kyna (River)



The next Parent Group meeting is on Friday 29 May after the whole school cross country event. Want to plan something fun? A disco maybe? Come and bring your ideas! All welcome!



ST. JAMES CHURCH NGATIMOTI

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

17 May

Our Book Week is coming up in Week 6
Is there a parent/grandparent or community member who would like to come in and read a favourite children's book? Talk to Ali!