



Ngatimoti School Newsletter

Week Eight, Term Three 2026



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WEEK 8 7-11 Sept	WEEK 9 14-18 Sept	WEEK 10 21-25 Sept
Speech day today for Rm 5 students. One student will be selected to represent us at the Interschool's speech competition next week.  Science Fair share day TOMORROW, 10 September	Te Wiki o te Reo Māori Ake Ake Ake - A Forever Language 15 Sept: Speech Competition at Upper Moutere School for one selected student 16 Sept: Board Mtg 17 Sept: MHS Y8 Enrolment interviews 18 Sept: Volleyball tournament in Motueka (Y4-6)	ENVIRO WEEK No Motec for Rm 5 Year 6 Motec Expo 23 Sept: Y5/6 Motec Challenge Room 5 sea kayaking 24 Sept: Y7/8 Motec Challenge 24 Sept: NETBALL prizegiving 4-6pm Friday 25 September is the last day of Term Three

Here is the plan for tomorrow's super science fair:

We are excited to highlight what everyone has been discovering over the last few weeks!

- 1:30 PM Onwards:** Classes will share their science presentations first within their own room, followed by visits to other classrooms.
- 2:30 PM Onwards:** Families are warmly invited to drop in, view the student displays, and chat about our science learning.



Leah, Juniper, Maya, Eleanor, Etta and Amelia work collaboratively creating catapults.

School Planning Thank you to the 10 parents who have shared their feedback with us so far. The Board is interested in what you value and what you would like us to keep in our overall plans going forward. If you haven't yet had a chance to answer 3 questions, it's not too late! Why did you choose Ngatimoti School? Has anything surprised you? What do you particularly appreciate? Please share your thoughts with us. It's not too late!

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Happy 8th Birthday to Rita who celebrates tomorrow!

We hope you have a great time from everyone here at school.



Ngatimoti Road Sign Project

Last year, we secured funding from the Tasman District Council and the Creative Communities Scheme to design and create a new, welcoming road sign for drivers entering Ngatimoti. The current sign, pictured here, was originally designed by our students back in 2012. Keep an eye out next week as we install its vibrant new replacement.



A huge thank you to Julie Davies (Joolzart), Image Creators Motueka, and students Ella, Silvanis, Juniper, Sol, Alex, Flint, Leah, Te Rehua and Orianna for all your valuable contributions!

Flint, Silvanis, Joolz, Orianna, Leah & Te Rehua are pictured at the beginning of the project. It has been a long road to completion!



NETBALL NEWS PLEASE RETURN YOUR NETBALL DRESSES/UNIFORMS TO SCHOOL.

PRIZEGIVING here at Rathgar House on Thursday 24 September from 4pm to 6pm.

For all netballers and their parents/whanau. Please bring a plate of food to share and come prepared to have some fun games, thank our managers, coaches and players, and celebrate the 2026 netball season together.

FESTIVAL NEWS Sunday 25 October 2026 THANKS FOR ALL YOUR DONATIONS SO FAR!

PLANT STALL Please send in any spare **cardboard boxes and bags** for our school plant stall and treasure trove.

<https://www.facebook.com/ngatimotifestival/>

TREASURE TROVE Bring in your donations of good quality second hand clothing, toys, books and bric-a-brac. Please no electrical items. Thanks for all the goodies that have come in already!



SILENT AUCTION If you know anyone who may like to donate their professional services, art work or new, unwanted items to auction off on Festival day please contact ngatimotifestivalauction@gmail.com Thanks team auction!

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 to parent group. Watch out for your name on the termly roster and when it's your duty day, please bake enough for approximately 30 pieces of cake/slice to sell for \$1 each. Send your child with one dollar for a piece of cake if you wish. They should also bring a healthy lunch on Fridays. Thanks to our Cake Coordinator Laura. You can contact Laura on 022 084 2606. The baking roster is as follows through to the end of Term Three:

Friday 11 September: Desiree (Isabella) and Helene (Isaac)

Friday 18 September: Brig (Oscar) and Nele (Manu, Maya, Luna)

Friday 25 September: Katrin (Anaea) and Claire (Connor)

CLEANING WORK WANTED

Contact Amber (Toby's mum)

022 406 8707

Accommodation

required – Bach or sleepout for reliable, retired man. Contact Ian at school or 021 260 0001

Lulu the Lamb

Lulu is looking to join a foster family for 6 weeks in a few days' time.

Milk formula, bottles etc. all provided.

Call Narisara Vincent

021 239 2436

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Hands on Spanish

Spring holiday programme

LEARN SPANISH AND HAVE FUN

NGATIMOTI SCHOOL SPECIAL
SAVE \$10 ON REGISTRATIONS BEFORE SEP 10

WED 30 SEP COOKING: ALFAJORES + 'SHOP' EXPERIENCE

FRI 2 OCT CRAFT: QUITAPESARES/ WORRY DOLLS

WED 7 OCT COOKING: NACHOS & LIMONADA + 'RESTAURANT' EXPERIENCE

FRI 9 OCT GAMES, PIÑATA & FIESTA. CREATE AND TAKE HOME GAMES + GOODIES

\$40 PER WORKSHOP
SIBLING DISCOUNTS AVAILABLE

MOTUEKA COMMUNITY HOUSE
2PM - 4.30PM
AGE 7 +

REGISTER: 022 037 6704
CHIQUIMUNDONZ@GMAIL.COM

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Connecting through language

A TOUCH OF MAGIC FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY

MOTUEKA STEINER SCHOOL

SPRING FAIR 2026

SUNDAY 20 SEPTEMBER 10-4PM

165 ROBINSON ROAD LOWER MOUTERE

FAIRYLAND + FAIRY QUEEN + MEDIEVAL GAMES + FACE PAINTING
CANDLE DIPPING + HANDMADE TOYS + SECONDHAND CLOTHES
PONY RIDES + GOURMET INTERNATIONAL FOOD + BOOKS
PANEURHYTM + LIVE MUSIC + D.J

GOLD COIN ENTRY
LOW WASTE
NO DOGS (LEAVE AT HOME)

FOR MORE INFO:
FACEBOOK/MOTUEKA STEINER SCHOOL SPRING FAIR
OR OFFICE @ MSS PROPRIETORS NZ

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15 SILLY JOKES TO MAKE YOUR KIDS LAUGH

- Why did the banana go to the doctor?
Because it wasn't peeling well!
- What do you call a sleeping dinosaur?
A dino-snore!
- Why did the teddy bear say no to dessert?
Because it was already stuffed!
- What do clouds wear under their clothes?
Thunderwear!
- Why did the cookie go to the hospital?
Because it felt crumbly!
- What did one wall say to the other wall?
"I'll meet you at the corner!"
- Why can't your nose be 12 inches long?
Because then it would be a foot!
- What do you call cheese that isn't yours?
Nacho cheese!
- Why did the student eat their homework?
Because the teacher said it was a piece of cake!
- What kind of tree fits in your hand?
A palm tree!
- Why did the chicken cross the playground?
To get to the other slide!
- What do you call a cow that tells jokes?
A laughing stock!
- Why are fish so smart?
Because they live in schools!
- What did the zero say to the eight?
"Nice belt!"
- Why did the bicycle fall over?
Because it was two-tired!

Little reminder:
You don't have to be the funniest parent in the world. Sometimes one silly joke, one ridiculous voice, and one shared laugh are enough to make an ordinary moment feel special.

MOTUEKA TOUCH RIWAKA

2026 KIDSTOUCH

YEARS 3-8

Thursdays at Riwaka Rugby Club & Cemetary Grounds
21st October - 17th December
4pm - 5.30pm

FORMAT
Mixed Grades = Year 3-4, Year 5-6, & Year 7-8
School or Club Teams entered for mixed grades.
Please get in touch if you are an individual looking for a team

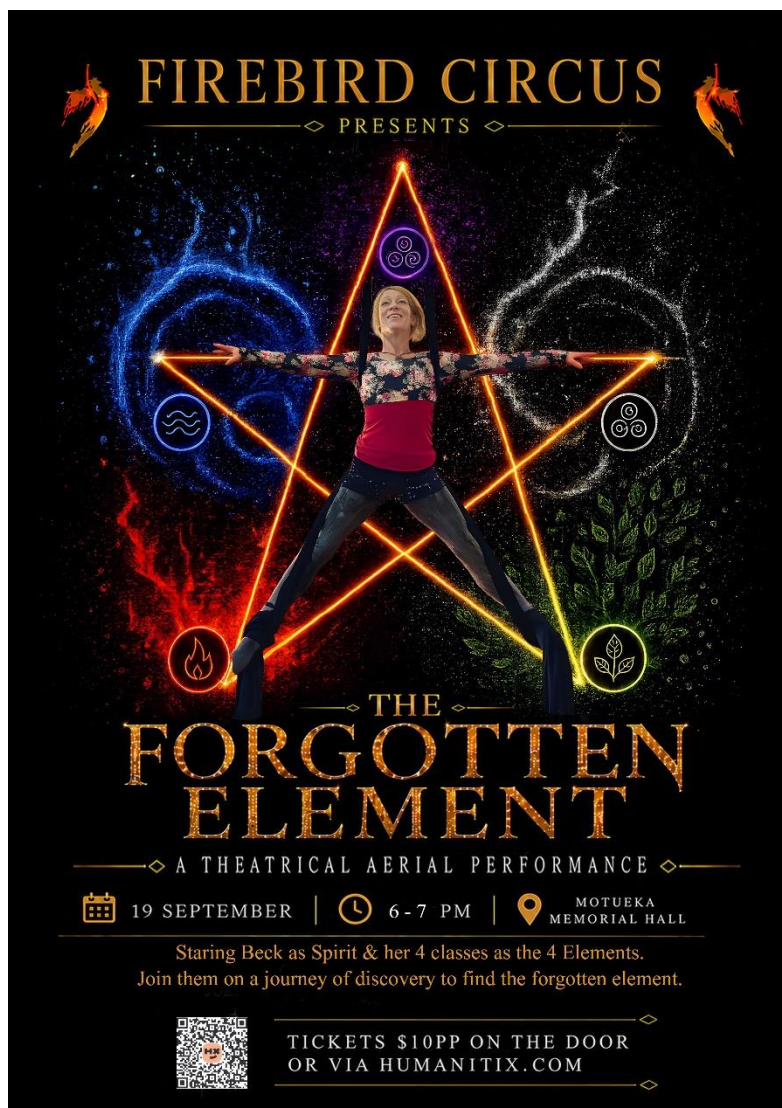
Boys & Girls Grade = Year 5-6 & Year 7-8
Teams or individuals can be entered. Teams will be formed or found for individuals.

\$80 per team

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

Registration Link for Mixed or Boys & Girls Teams:
<https://www.motuekatouch.co.nz/viewform/519795>

CONTACT: motuekatouch@gmail.com



Term 4 tennis registrations are open!

Vanessa runs a comprehensive coaching programme for 5-16yrs with a focus on fundamental movement skills and coordination, through to social and competitive play for more advanced players. Lessons are run out of Upper Moutere & Mapua **Contact Vanessa to register 022 4600 320**

Holiday & Camp dates

Spring holidays: Sat 26 Sept – Sun 11 Oct. Term 4 begins on Mon 12 Oct.

Monday 26 October is Labour Day -no school but Festival pack up day 😊

Room 1 camp at Quinney's Bush on Thursday 26 November

Room 3 camp at Marahau on Mon 7 December for 2 nights.

Room 4 camp at Marahau on Mon 7 December for 3 nights.

Room 5 camp at Bridge Valley on Mon 30 Nov for 4 nights.

GIRLS ONLY CRICKET OPPORTUNITY IN TERM FOUR

Softball Programme: Smash Play

Day: Monday

Times: 4pm & 4:45pm (45min sessions)

Term 4 (Starting November 2)

School Year: 1-3 & 4-6

Cost: FREE Register via this link - <https://www.playhq.com/new-zealand-cricket/register/396db9>

Location: Aerial Field, Saxton Complex, Stoke

Coach: Caitlin Whiting (Nelson Nyxon) & Lauren Hutton (Club Manager) Girls Only!

Smash Play is 7 fun 45-minute sessions during term 4 for Girls. Each Smash Play session is made up of three or four games designed to help girls learn the skills required to play cricket.

Softball Competitions: Machine Ball Cricket / Dual Pitch Cricket

Day: Saturday

Time: 9am - 10am

Terms 4 & 1 (14-week season - Starting November 2)

School Year: 4-6

Cost: \$60

Register via this link - <https://www.playhq.com/new-zealand-cricket/register/f96c24>

Location: Aerial Field, Saxton Complex, Stoke

Players can also attend the Smash Play Programme to practice.

Registrations close: October 14