



Motupipi

PRIMARY SCHOOL

Newsletter 24 March 2022

From your Tumuaki-Principal

Dear Parents / Caregivers

I hope this newsletter finds you safe and well. I would like to take this opportunity to say thank you to all the staff who have worked so hard to ensure a great start to the school year under the red traffic light system. Classes are very settled and students are enjoying being at school and learning alongside their friends. As a school we are working hard to minimise disruption to learning and school organisation with the current requirements for home isolation. School attendance has been good.

Thank you for supporting us by keeping your child home if unwell and following the isolation rules. Please note, symptoms seen in children includes having a sore tummy as well as normal flu-type symptoms. While not a Ministry of Education requirement, as we are now beginning to see an increase in the number of positive cases in the community, we will be informing parents by Hero if a positive case is symptomatic while at school in your child's class, so you can monitor your child for symptoms. It is still only household contacts that need to be isolated and it is safe for your child to be at school following all the health and safety precautions we have in place.

I hope you all enjoy the photos from the Senior School trip to Motueka. Learning in the field, acquiring new skills, challenging each learner and representing the school values reflects the way things are done at Motupipi School.

Kind regards

Judy Elvidge

COVID-19 UPDATE

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against
COVID-19

TERM CALENDAR

23rd Mar R1&2 Trip to Motueka

26th Mar ATYA Group Trip

28th Mar Teacher's Only Day—School Closed

6th Apr Whole School Wainui Trip

14th Apr Last Day of Term 1

2nd May First Day of Term 2

29th Oct Motupipi Annual Plant Sale


10.00am 24 March: There are no new cases to report at Motupipi School. Rest assured we will do our best to keep our community informed and aware as new cases arrive in the school. We are working hard to maintain a safe environment for our tamariki and our staff.

We ask that parents continue to help in our efforts by wearing masks on school grounds, keeping your children home when they are unwell and letting us know if your child or anyone in your household tests positive for Covid-19.

Motupipi School remains open in Stage 2 of our Omicron Plan with school open and operating as usual with the chance of fewer students on site. We remain fully staffed. Should we move to Stage 3 and switch to a hybrid model of online and onsite learning then teachers have work available for those children isolating at home. Please see the copy of the Omicron Plan attached in HERO and don't hesitate to contact any of the staff if you have questions.

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SCHOOL NOTICES

PARKING

Please do your best to keep the school turn-around area clear, especially after school so that our bus can come and go easily. If you are dropping students off using the turn around please do not leave your car unattended.

Thank you

TEA TOWEL SPONSORSHIP

Are you or your business interested in sponsoring our Fundraising Committee tea towel fundraiser? Contact Abbie for more information 027 624 0680.

TEACHER'S ONLY DAY MONDAY 28th MARCH

Don't forget this coming Monday 28th March is a Teacher's Only Day and school will be closed.

MOTUPIPI PLANT SALE

Save the date - 29th October 2022

Once again we will be running our annual Motupipi Plant Sale! It's a big fundraiser for the school and your help is needed to make it a success. Now is the time to start thinking about propagating plants in readiness for the sale.



POLICE VETS

If you anticipate helping out on school trips and camps over the next year we ask that you complete a Police Vet. These can take some time to process so we are asking that you plan ahead and put your vet through now. Vets last three years, if you're unsure whether your vet is current please check with Anita at office@motupipi.school.nz.

Police Vet forms are available in the office. Unfortunately police vets cannot be shared across agency's, so even if you have recently completed a police vet elsewhere you will need to do another for Motupipi School. Thank you!

DENTAL BUS

The dental bus will be visiting Takaka Primary School from April 11 to June 3. The Nelson Marlborough Oral Health team **will contact you** directly to make a time that suits you to accompany your child to and from their appointment. Please remember to let us know at school if you will be late and check in and out at the office if you're attending an appointment during school hours. If you have any questions or need to contact the dental team directly please call 0800 833 846.

BEING SUNSMART

Sun Hats

Sun hats are compulsory for Terms 1 and 4, please ensure your child has their hat with them every day. We recommend wide brimmed, bucket style or legionnaire style hats that provide better sun protection. Please ensure all hats are named.

Sunscreen

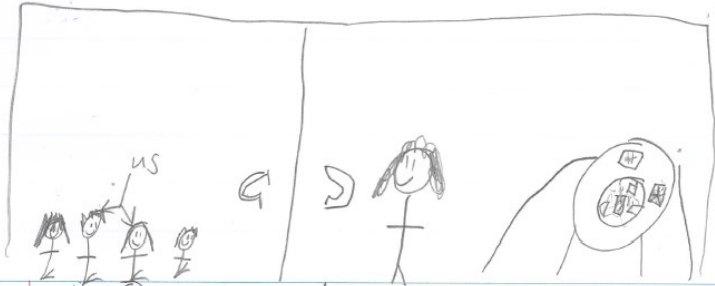
We have sunscreen available in every classroom but recommend that you apply sunscreen daily before school. If you have a particular sunscreen you prefer your child to use please send it to school with them.

LUNCH VOLUNTEERS

Can you help with school lunches over the next few weeks? The children all love having a Friday Lunch but we cannot keep providing them without help from you all. Any contribution of a savoury or sweet item is welcomed, or even being available to serve on Friday. We have an account at Fresh Choice that you can use to purchase ingredients. Call Abbie 027 624 0680.

Purim Festival

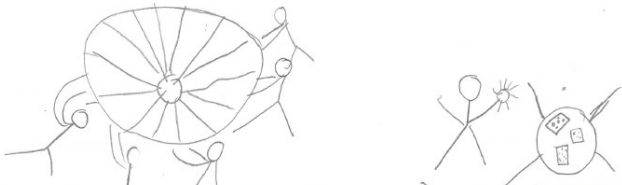
Mabel and Maia report on the celebrations in Rooms 4&5 last week. A huge thank you to Meytal and Shauli for coming in to share your culture and making the day so much fun!



• On Friday Zir's mum came to School to Share the Jewish Festival of Purim with my class. We made masks and Shared food and we Danced! We had Fun* because Room 5 Was there. *we had a game with the paretote it was cool, after we had *the yummy Food it was soooo yum.

By Mabel





On Friday Ziv's Mum
came to school to share
the Jewish Festival
of Purim with us!
We ate food and made
masks. afterwards we
danced!

It was fun.

I liked dancing.

There was a

Parashot. It ~~was~~

was a perfect

Carnival for Purim.

Sometimes I stopped

to catch a breath.

By Maia



Mohua Kapa Haka Group

Eight leaders from our senior block, along with Whaea Lesley have been joining a multi-school kapa haka group each week at Takaka Primary. We are very grateful to have Jenny Bennett and Matua Eric Lander sharing their knowledge of kapa haka with us. The children are learning a range of local waiata and haka skills which they are bringing back to strengthen and support the learning of our own Motupipi school-wide kapa haka.

Last week our boys started learning how to use taiaha as part of their performance.



MOTUEKA MAGIC!

Yesterday Rooms 1 & 2 had a wonderful day over in Motueka visiting the Motueka Recreation Centre for Rock Climbing and Skating.



Our trip to Motueka was really good! I loved roller skating, it was fun because we got to try roller skating and roller blading. The skates were easier to balance on. Thomas.



Rockclimbing was fun because it was my first time trying it! Once I got used to balancing on the rollerblades you could go really fast. Me and Loren did a high five while we were skating! Oakie.





We had a super fun and exciting time rollerblading because there was a limbo game! Hendrix



I thought it was really exciting, it was my first time roller blading and it was exciting because my mum used to rollerblade and she was really good at it and yesterday I got to see what it was like. Tessa.



Once I got to the top of the rockclimbing wall I was scared to drop down, but Mori was beside me and she encouraged me to do it. Evalyn

A massive thank you to all of the parents who assisted on the day providing transport and supporting our staff to manage a trip during these tricky Covid times. A special thank you to the staff at Motueka Recreation Centre and also to the Motupipi Fundraising Committee who provided funding for the trip.

REC PARK HOLIDAY PROGRAMME



NINJA WARRIOR

MAKING VOLCANOS

SHARED BANQUETTE

FORT BUILDING

LASER TAG

AND SO MUCH MORE...

STAINED GLASS DESIGN

SPORTS MEDLEY

HOT AIR BALLOON MAKING



APRIL 19TH - 22ND

CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE FOR THE FULL SCHEDULE

RECPARKCENTRE.CO.NZ/SCHOOL-HOLIDAYS/

AGES 5 - 12
ONLY \$30 A DAY



Our first kicks is for children between 4-8 to develop skills and enjoy football.

Played on Saturday's from 9-10am at the rec park centre starting May 7.

\$25.00 for the season.



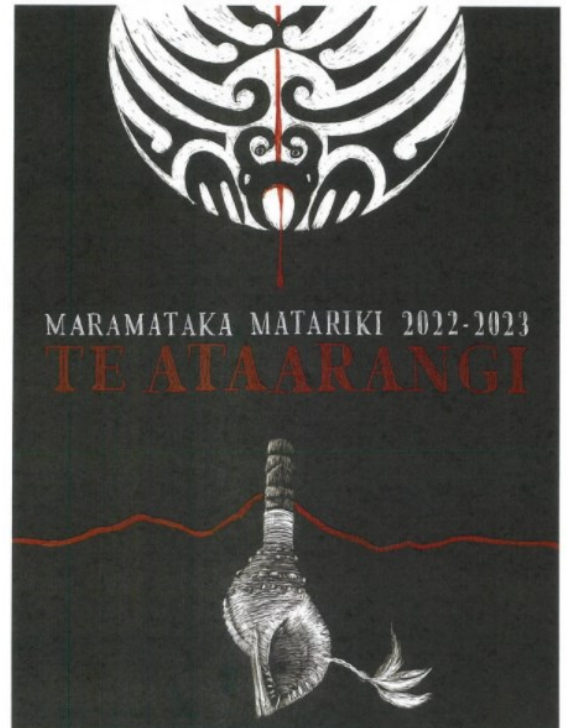
Registrations are open,

Go to sporty.co.nz/goldenbayafc Or download the sporty nz app & look up Golden Bay Association football club.



Maramataka Matariki 2022-2023

In celebration of Te Ataarangi across Aotearoa & the 40th anniversary of Te Ataarangi ki Te Tairāwhiti (Top of the South), this beautiful maramataka (calendar) has been created by Robin Slow, a Mohua based, renowned contemporary Māori artist, & gifted by Robin & Rose. This series of new artworks is focussed on Te Matariki (constellation) & Te Ao Māori (the Māori world), as Robin's gift to share with the wider community.



As a fundraising initiative, all proceeds will directly support learning of the spoken language for adults in Te Tairāwhiti, as a community-based Te Ataarangi Te Reo Māori programme. Don't miss this opportunity to grace your walls with this unique series of artwork by Robin Slow.

Limited Edition: pre-order now for May delivery \$30 each plus postage <https://tereomaori.org/product/maramataka-matariki-2022-2023/> or www.tereomaori.org & shop

GBAFC

School Holiday Football Programme



26th - 30th April @ Rec Park Centre

\$30.00 Per Person Per Day
or \$120 for the week

Discount available if more than 1 child from household is attending.

Ages 5-8 9am -12pm
Ages 9-12 1pm-4pm

Limited Spaces

Register now - Goldenbayafc@gmail.com