



Motupipi

PRIMARY SCHOOL

Newsletter 5 August 2022

Thank you for such a warm welcome to Motupipi School last week. The mihi whakatau was a great start to my time at the school and it was wonderful to see our students performing. To all of you who were able to attend, a big thank you. Special thanks also to representatives from Manawhenua Ki Mohua Trust and to Whaea Lesley for their organisation. It is a real privilege to be appointed as the Principal and I look forward to bringing some of my previous experience to the role, as well as building upon the great foundation that already exists.

I am enjoying getting to know everyone (Students, Staff, Families). Thanks to those of you who were able to make it to the two "Meet the Principal" Tea/Coffee times this week, it has been great to touch base with many of you.

Learning in the classrooms has kicked off for the term and Teachers have planned some exciting activities for the core programmes of Reading, Writing and Mathematics, as well as Science, Technology, Visual Art and Health/Physical Education. In Term 3 we have a "Responsibility" focus as part of our School Values. Classes will be discussing the value and how they might take ownership for their actions, belongings and the environment.

In this newsletter you will find a letter from Natasha Toon, our Room 5 teacher who is currently on sick leave. We are currently working through staffing options and will confirm these shortly with Room 5 parents. We wish Natasha well on her health journey.

A further thank you to the Fundraising Team who organised and funded the new bark on the school playground over the school holidays. It is fantastic to have our playground refreshed and much safer, it looks great! The Fundraising Team is a great group to get involved with, and I hope many of you may be able to contribute in some way to the upcoming Plant Sale, which is a major fundraiser for the group.

Finally, School Board elections are currently open for nominations. If you would like to know more about the role of a School Board Member, feel free to chat with either me or one of the current Board members. This is a great opportunity to contribute your skills. The below linked document may be of interest if you are considering this. <https://tinyurl.com/6ar8e2zd>

Once again, thank you for the warm welcome, and I look forward to learning more about Motupipi School.

Ngā mihi nui
Rachel



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Do you have any Motupipi shirts lying around at home? We would love to get these back as they are



needed for our sports teams. Please return them to the office.

Financial Statements

Statements were emailed out in the last week for student accounts. Please arrange prompt payment for these, or contact us for a payment plan if that is what suits your family.

FUNDRAISING MEETING

There is a fundraising meeting at 3.15 on Wednesday 10th of August in the Staff Room. We would love to see you there to brainstorm some ideas.

Remember—many hands make light work!

Both our BBQ gas bottles have gone missing, which makes sausage sizzles challenging! If you have a spare one you no longer need, let Pip or Abbie know.



Ka pai tō mahi!

Congratulations to the following students awarded certificates at our assembly last week:

Room 1: Tessa & Sam

Room 2: Rosie & Emilia

Room 4: Joel & George

Room 5: Maisy & Jazmin

This term we are focussing on responsibility, one of our school values.

Is your child going to be absent?

Please make sure you are submitting an absence notification in Hero, phoning, or emailing before 9am.

TERM CALENDAR

10th Aug Fundraising meeting

26th Aug Daffodil Day market

31st Aug Ski trip

16th Sept School Disco

30th Sept End of Term 3

17th Oct Start of Term 4

18th Oct Class photos

29th Oct Plant Sale

Staff Updates

Kia ora Motupipi School whanau,

Two months ago I was diagnosed with breast cancer and have recently undertaken associated surgery. Although my latest test result shows no sign of cancer I will be having chemotherapy and radiation to keep myself cancer free. This means that I won't be teaching at school till 2023. I am sad to miss out on all the vibrancy and joy of Motupipi School life, and hope to visit before my first treatment on August 26th. After this I have been advised to avoid school to keep my immune system strong.

I have connected with many of you and thank you for your support. I look forward to becoming part of the Motupipi School teaching team again in 2023.

Ngā mihi

Natasha



We are pleased to have Mac Bowmar in Room 1 at Motupipi School for his final teaching placement. Mac will be teaching alongside Anna over the next four weeks and will shortly qualify as a teacher. Some community members may already know Mac as he has taught previously at Tākaka Primary School and lives locally.

A very warm welcome to Motupipi School, Mac!

MINIBALL

Well done to our Mini Ball Teams who have started competing this week in the annual Golden Bay Schools' competition. A special thank you to Anna and Scott who have organised this for our students and assist with refereeing at each game. Another thank you to the parents who volunteered to be team managers!

This week's results were:

Motupipi Cheetahs 14 vs Takaka Primary Tui 4

Motupipi Eagles 14 vs Motupipi Koalas 10





Principal's Award

Last week's Principal Award went to William, for being so enthusiastic in his learning and everything he does.

Congratulations William - Your smile and energy is infectious!

**Room 1 hard
at work!**



Saturday, 29th October

Motupipi School Plant Sale

If you haven't already, if you are able, we would love you to think about starting cuttings, seedlings, etc for us to sell at the plant sale. Please talk to anyone you know who might be able to contribute some plants—there are lots of green fingers out there—Thank you!

Everything we make from the plant sale goes towards bettering our school for our children.

Motupipi Tea Towel

Earlier this year the children and staff were hard at work doing their part to create this wonderful Motupipi masterpiece!

They are printed on 100% cotton, and available from the school office for \$12, or purchase 2 or more for \$10 each.

You can either pay online to the school fundraising account, or bring in the exact cash to the office between 8.30am and 12.30pm. We do have the tea towels in stock so you can get them on the spot.



SCHOLASTIC BOOK ORDERS

Issue 5 went home last week, and Scholastic have an amazing offer this time! Spend \$30 and get a free book, spend \$50 and get 2 free books, or spend \$70 and get 3 free books.

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HUGE THANKS to Tama Solly Contracting for donating time and equipment to distribute the new bark for the playground!



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Care Matters Workshop

Current, relevant, practical information for family, whānau and carers of children and adults with support needs.

Golden Bay
Date: Monday, 29th Aug
Time: [9.30 - 11.30am](#) OR [12.30 - 2.30pm](#)

Facilitators with lived experience

EXPLORE – LEARN – CONNECT
 We aim to ensure workshops meet local interests and needs.
 Topics requested for this workshop include:

- Effective communication
- Coping with challenging behaviour at home

FREE
 Venue confirmed on registration
 Lunch provided

Please book by clicking on the time slot. [9.30am – 11.30am](#) OR [12.30pm – 2.30pm](#)

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