



Motupipi

PRIMARY SCHOOL

16 December 2021

2021 – IT'S A WRAP!

Thank you for all your support over the last couple of weeks, we've had some fantastic end of year activities and we wanted to share a few highlights with you all. Have a fantastic holiday and we'll see you all back at school on the 1st of February!

Farewell Assembly

Yesterday we farwelled three longstanding staff members along with our Year 6 cohort off to High School next year. Songs, speeches and memories were shared along with a rousing haka to finish. Tom, Lynette and Amanda—you'll all be missed!



CULTURAL DAY

Last Thursday we had our cultural day at school. This was a continuation of our te ao Māori learning, which we've been building on all year. There were three activities: rakau and poi / flax weaving, building a model of a polynesian ocean going waka, and developing our sense of kaitiakitanga by doing a stream study with Project Janszoon educationalist Brooke. Special thanks to Brooke and Helen for giving up their time to support the day. In true Motupipi style we're Making a Difference Together!

Building the ocean going waka was awesome. We got to use power tools which was fun. Jed

The whole day was good fun. My favorite activity was building a polynesian boat. Caitlin

My favorite part of the cultural day was the flax weaving. I learnt how to make flax flowers. Olive

I liked building a boat at the school. I learnt that the sails on a waka look like they are upside down. Tomer

The cultural was exquisite. I liked building a waka with my buddy, Hazel. Rosie

My favorite part was building an ocean going waka. I learnt that Polynesian people might have started exploring because of a shortage of food. Marlee



The stream study was x-stream. I thought there were going to be two bugs in a net we used, but there were actually thousands. Mori

It was ultra fun learning how to use the poi. I can't wait to do it again. Zoe

I loved learning how to make flax flowers. It was wicked fun. Kya

Making the waka was epic. I learnt that they made waka that had two hulls and a sail. Dash

I enjoyed making a waka. It was fun hammering in the nails. Jolie

I enjoyed making a waka. The sails looked awesome. I keep it on a special table at home. Poppy

Making a waka was really fun because I like doing woodwork. I do wood work with my Dad in the garage so it was fun to do it at school too. Thomas





Checking out bugs in the stream!

Rooms 2 & 4 Overnighter



Year 6 Leavers Dinner

On Monday night we had our Year 6 Leavers Dinner which was a wonderful celebration and memorable way for the Year 6 cohort to complete their primary school years. A massive thank you to Mark Cullen for putting together an entertaining and reflective graduation ceremony and to Abbie and her team of helpers for making the evening so special, to Anneliese for the wonderful floral arrangements and to all the parents that joined us.

A special congratulations to Quinn Bowden on receiving the Citizenship Award and Isaac Thomas for receiving the Sportsmanship Award in recognition of their outstanding contribution to Motupipi School values over the years.

