

Marotiri Messenger

From the Principal's Desk

Wednesday 9th June 2021
Week 6 Term 2

Kia ora Koutou,
Greetings to parents and members of the Marotiri School Community.

I trust you all had a relaxed long weekend for Queen's Birthday. Room 2 and 3 headed off to camp at the start of this week, spending Tuesday at Hamilton Zoo, before staying the night at the Hamilton Observatory. On Wednesday, they visit the science and technology interactive exhibitions at Hamilton Museum. We are indebted to all of our teachers and parents who have made our school camps and trips possible. These two classes are the last groups to visit the zoo. Rooms 4, 5 and 6 spent an informative day at the zoo in Week 4. Thank you Carol Menzies for taking our Tamariki safely there and back in the bus for the junior trip.

We look forward to celebrating student learning with families on the afternoon of the Matariki shared breakfast day.

Our Year 4 – 8 students joined mixed sports teams from Mangakino, Whakamaru and Tirohanga Schools for the annual Pinelands Senior Winter sports day at Mangakino last Friday. Despite the fog, the day was a great success with students taking part in Soccer, Basketball, Netball and Ripper Rugby.

You will notice some changes to our school frontage this week. After months of lobbying for a safer entrance to our school, Transit have organised the removal of some of the larger trees that they feel are hindering visibility and will be erecting flashing school signs. We are grateful to Counsellor Graeme Webber who has continued to lobby on our behalf and to Transit who have recognised our concerns.

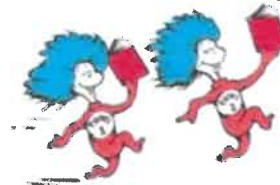
We have recently had an upgrade to our fire alarm system, and our school is now connected to the fire service. Although we have experienced a few early morning false call outs initially with over-sensitive alarm sensors, we look forward to this settling. At least

we can rest assured that the system works. Thank you to the Mangakino fire service crews for your prompt response and to Heather Kelly for meeting them on site.

Please note that from November 2020, all New Zealand schools became Smoke and Vape free zones. We ask that our school community please continue to support us by refraining from smoking or vaping within school grounds. Vaping is becoming an increasing problem in New Zealand schools, and our staff and Board remain steadfast that we do not want this to become an issue at Marotiri School. We remind parents to send along healthy snacks for brain break, and ensure children have healthy lunches. During the colder months, and with winter sports practices, students burn their energy more quickly.

Quote of the week:

The MORE
that you read,
the MORE things
you will know.
The MORE that you
Learn,
the MORE places you'll go.



Ngā mihi
Rose Symes



to Marotiri School

A warm welcome to the following students and their families who have joined us at school:- Keeran in Room 3, Karly in Room 5.



Farewell from Marotiri School

A sincere farewell to the following students and their family who have left our school.- Sienna in Room 2, Harper in Room 6.
We wish you all the best with your new ventures.



SCHOOL ABSENCES

If your child is going to be absent from school, please advise the office by phone, Skool Loop app, or via the absence link on our website: www.marotiri.school.nz—not Facebook. **If the school is not notified, the child is deemed truant & marked accordingly. If your child is late to school, they must come to the office to have their attendance recorded.**

Birthday Celebrations

Turning 7 this month is Skailah (21st), Turning 8 is James (16th), Carter & Tyrone (22nd), Turning 9 is Harlan (23rd), Turning 10 is Axle (23rd), Turning 11 is Tai (12th), Storm (22nd), Turning 12 is Kyzier (13th), Tristin (16th), Turning 13 is Hunter W (17th).

Happy Birthday to you all !!



Next Marotiri Messenger date - 23rd June 2021

Next Board of Trustees Meeting

Tuesday 22nd June 2021

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What's On This Term

14th June	NZ Playhouse—Rumple Stiltskin 9am School Hall
23rd June	Pinelands Speech Competition at Marotiri Yr 3-8 9.30am in School Hall
25th June	Junior Dance Festival, Yr 1-3 at Mangakino
28th June	Teacher Only Day
1st July	FOS Disco Details to follow
6th July	Matariki Celebration: Shared Breakfast & Tree Planting
6th July	Celebration of Learning
9th July	Last day of term, Reports & Portfolios sent home

SUPER STUDENTS

Week ending 28th May -

Senior Studio—	Hunter Ward, Rachel Gibbons
Room 2—	Satevah Harrison, Harrison Robinson
Room 3—	Georgia Chamberlin, Harlan Pennington
Room 4—	Jayda Webber, Carleigh O'Connor
Room 5—	Reece Johnstone, Luca Chamberlin
Room 6—	Emily Drysdale, Henry Anderson



Signing children out during school hours

Please ensure you sign your child out **AT THE OFFICE** if you are taking them early. This assists with our end of day procedures and ensures we are not looking for children who normally catch the bus.

LOST PROPERTY

PLEASE CHECK THE LOST PROPERTY COLLECTION FOR CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR ITEMS. When the lost property is not on display, it can be found in the old sick bay (next to the library).

Room 6 Writing—Zoo Trip

Baby giraffes drink milk.

I saw giraffes fighting over carrots.

By Beauden

A zebra has fur. It is black and white.

I saw rhino poo.

By Mya

The man was feeding the giraffe carrots.

By Henry

A polar bear has white fur on its body.

The cheetahs were eating meat at the zoo.

By Indie

An elephant has tusks and a big eye.

I saw a gigantic poo from the rhinoserous.

A rhinoserous has horns in their skin.

By Ari

I want to see another elephant. An elephant has tusks.

I saw a tiger on a platform. It was lying down.

By Sam

We saw zebras running in the paddock.

By Cooper

I like going to the zoo to see the animals.

African wild dogs are brown and yellow.

By Robbie

I saw the tiger and the giraffe.

The man was feeding the giraffe carrots.

By Emily



MATARIKI BREAKFAST—6TH JULY

Heads up, on the morning of the 6th July we will have a shared breakfast for all students. We are looking for donations of Bread, Bacon, Eggs, Sausages. If you can help, please drop at the office by Thursday 1st July.

The children in Rooms 4, 5 and 6 recently enjoyed a day trip to the Hamilton Zoo. We would like to thank all the parents, grandparents and caregivers who came with us and a special thank you to our bus driver Carol and zoo keeper Ken. We had a great time and had many of our wonderings answered. Thank you.

Room 4 Poems—Zoo Trip

Leopard turtles hiding. Tall giraffes fighting. Cheeky red panda climbing. Enormous rhinos rolling. Green keas squawking. Black and white zebras chewing. Huge green crocodiles snapping. Hungry bleeding heart pigeons pecking. Fluffy lions roaring. Loud meerkats screaming. Little African hunting dogs snoozing. Huge elephants snorting. Sleeping tigers sleeping. Animals at the zoo.

By poet Carter

Hungry fishing cat eating. Princess parrot flying. Beautiful orange cheetah crouching. Spotted African hunting dog growling. Black spider monkey climbing up the tree. Animals at the zoo.

By poet Alayna

Lazy lions resting. Elegant elephants stomping. Cheating cheetahs racing. Wonderful wolves howling. Delicate dingoes drinking. Slick snakes slithering. Jumping jaguars eating. Silent alligators swimming. Animals at the zoo.

By poet Annabell



Room 5 Writing—Zoo Trip

We went to Hamilton Zoo and there are over 600 animals. Giraffes stand up when they sleep because when they sleep down it is difficult getting back up. They have a blue tongue.

By Sam

Rhinos are chargers. They can be nine hundred and ninety nine kg. Excitedly I saw red pandas. They are good at climbing. I saw cheetahs. They are fast as. They can't get kicked from a giraffe.

By Daniel

When we went to the Hamilton Zoo we saw some giraffes. The oldest giraffe is the boss

By Zara

At the zoo, one of the giraffes kicked a black buck. The white rhino have big poos. They look like balls. The fallow deer are fast. The cheetahs don't have much room to run. They have a little shop at the zoo. There is a measuring sign for people. There are red pandas. Two tigers were playing hide and seek. There are keas, they are green. We saw a green lizard, it is small.

By Jaxon

We went to Hamilton Zoo and they have almost over 600 animals. Giraffes sometimes eat carrots. They have a blue tongue that is 50cm. Giraffes sleep standing up because it is hard to get up. When giraffes sleep sitting down it is hard to get up.

By Rose

Alligators eat people and they eat fish too.

By Luca

When we went to the zoo we saw fat rhinos. We had a talk about the giraffes that were necking.

By Jacob



OTHER NOTICES

HELLO FROM THE BOARD

With the weather cooling and the new dairy season started, we warmly welcome new students and farewell those moving on. We are looking forward to the commencement of our new storage shed project and the court turf starting in the next few weeks and will soon be calling for help to empty the sports shed and demolish it. More on that soon!

Brad Woodford is heading our Livestock Scheme this year and is keen to hear how you can help. Keep an eye out for the ad or give Brad a call on 021 589 444. This is such an important fundraiser for our school and we really appreciate your support.

Great to be able to send kids off on camp to the zoo this week - looking forward to hearing all about it!

Our next Board meeting is scheduled for 22 June 2021 at 6:30pm. Stay warm and take care

Marotiri School Board of Trustees

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Year 7&8 students had an action packed day attending the Career pathways expo on Monday. Experiences included fighting fires, to using a nail gun in building, changing a wheel, to using the Waratah simulator. Just a few careers were explored.

"I liked the mechanical work and using the Waratah" - Hunter

"The Army is not just about fighting but they train you to have a job too" - Caroline

"Being a policeman is really hard because you have to wear a really heavy vest and chase people while wearing it" - Jessie

Bus Reminder

Buses leave 30 minutes earlier on Friday. We have a half hour lunch break to compensate.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

QUIZ NIGHT #2

This Friday June 11 @ The Tihoi Tavern

7:30pm start. \$10pp. Bring a team or join in with some others on the night. Lots of fun and some great prizes! All proceeds go to Marotiri Community Hall. Thanks to our sponsors:

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PARENTS, if you are picking up your own, or other child/ren, and they normally travel by bus, you MUST notify the office or the bus monitor. This assists with our end of day procedures and ensures we are not looking for children who normally catch the bus.

Emergencies

Just a reminder that the Marotiri District Defibrillator is located in a Red Cross box next to the entrance of the Hall on the school side. Please familiarise yourselves with this location.

The Defibrillator or AED is a self-explanatory device which could save a life if activated quickly enough.

Also, it is important to note that once you ring 111, you are 'locked in' to the emergency services and prevented from using that particular phone until the ambulance or helicopter arrives.

Therefore if you are on your own, you have 2 main options;

- Ring a neighbour or the school first (providing it's a school day) before ringing 111
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