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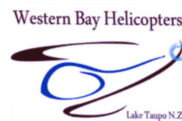
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Marotiri Messenger

Wednesday 25th September 2019
Week 10, Term 3

From the Principal's Desk

Kia ora Koutou,

Greetings to parents and members of the Marotiri School Community. Welcome to the last Marotiri Messenger for Term 3. We finish the term with 165 students on our roll and with four new students due to begin in Term 4. Room 5 and 6 celebrated the end of term with an exciting snow trip to Whakapapa. I believe everyone had a fantastic day. Thank you Michelle and Arna for your organisation, and to all of our parents who provided transport and made the day possible. It is very important that our students get to experience, and develop an appreciation, for their local environment. We will finish the term with a Fantasy themed disco this Thursday evening, followed by our Year 5-8, 7's Rugby tournament at Whakamaru School on Friday. Parents are welcome to come along and support both events. On behalf of our students and staff, I would like to acknowledge Dan Riggs and the boys from Tihoi Venture School for their weekly coaching. Student's portfolios come home this week. These provide a sample of work, which students have completed over the past three terms. Please contact your child's teacher if you have any queries. Our teachers, will be, only-too pleased to discuss these with you. A full end of year report will come home in Term 4. As a brief update on the proposed Marotiri School Enrolment Scheme, the Ministry have requested that the Board now define what the 'Marotiri School community' might look like, and submit a proposed enrolment zone map. Thank you to those parents and community members who attended the information meeting a few weeks ago and gave your feedback.

Preparation for Ag Day is well underway. We are disappointed not to be able to have calves judged on site again this year due to Mycoplasma Bovis, but we do have a large array of lambs, kids and dogs to keep everyone entertained. The indoor exhibits – flowers and baking – will be on display in each of the classrooms. This year, instead of scarecrows, there will be a bird-feeder competition, which families may work on together. In addition to this, there will be a bouncy castle, Young Farmers competition and a number of food and produce stalls. An Ag Day programme will come out shortly. All animal entry forms should be returned to the office before the end of Term. If you need a new form, please call the office. Late entries are permissible, but we encourage pre-registration to assist with organisation.

Our school wide inquiry topic for Term 4 is entitled Pasifika, and will have a Social Science focus. At Marotiri School, we are committed to supporting students to develop agency for their own learning through the power of inquiry. Learning programmes engage students in personalised and meaningful learning opportunities, which cultivate curiosity and collaboration. We are hoping to incorporate a visit to Mokai Marae within our study.

Finally, I would like to thank all of our staff for their outstanding contribution they each have made towards making Marotiri School such a special place for our learners. A special acknowledgement to Arna Schultze for her commitment to Marotiri School and in particular for Room 5, over the past three terms. Arna begins Maternity Leave at the end of this term. We wish Arna and Matt all the best for the safe delivery of their new baby. I wish you all safe holidays a look forward to seeing you at this year's Agricultural Day in Week 2.

Quote of the week: "The essence of education is to help you discover your uniqueness, teach you how to develop it, and show you how to give it". Leo Buscaglia.

Ngā mihi

Rose Symes



Pictured above: Room 5 & 6 students on their Snow Trip to Mt Ruapehu

Interaction Friday 27th September 1.45pm

Hosted by Room 1

Next Marotiri Messenger 23th October

Next Board of Trustees Meeting

October meeting date TBC — All Welcome

Birthday Celebrations Happy Birthday to Mischa who turns 9 on the 27th September. **October Birthday Celebrities:** Turning 6 this month is Hannah on the 5th, turning 7 this month is Richie on the 2nd and Jacoli on the 29th, turning 8 this month is Kaylee on the 1st, Joel on the 3rd, Abigail on the 10th, Kyjah on the 12th and Harrison turns 9 on the 21st. Embracing double digits with a 10th birthday this month is Arian on the 9th, Jacqui on the 13th and Reece on the 16th. Happy Birthday to Senior Students, Aimee who turns 12 on the 12th and Trinity who turns 13 on the 24th. **Happy Birthday to you all!**

Welcome to Marotiri School Welcome to Deekoda who joins Room 4.



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What’s On This Term

26 Sep	FOS Disco 5.30-6.30pm, 6.30-8pm
27 Sep	Pinelands Rugby 7's Tournament, Whakamaru
27 Sep	Last day of Term 3 & Loud Shirt Day!
14 Oct	First day of Term 4
25 Oct	Ag Day
28 Oct	Labour Day (Public Holiday)
30 Oct-1Nov	Year 4-6 Camp
4 Nov	School Photos and Sports Team Photos
19-22 Nov	Senior Studio Camp
13 Dec	Half Day-Last day of the school year.



Thank you to **Alan & Elaine Arnold from Pita Pit Taupo** who have generously provided Pita Pit vouchers for School Interaction Awards.

We are very grateful to **Michelle & Nick Pepper** (Six Pines Ltd) who have generously donated the proceeds from the sale of a heifer \$1432 to Marotiri School.

Thank you **parents and whanau of Room 5 & 6 children** who made the Snow Trip possible by helping with transport and your help at the snow.

FOS Events

“Fantasty Theme” Disco
Thursday 26th September
5.30-6.30pm for Junior classes (Rooms 4,5,6) and Senior classes 6.30-8pm. **Gold coin entry.** BBQ, snack food, drinks, fruit kebabs, baking, treats & glow sticks available for purchase on the night (cash only). **DJ Odelia** will entertain you and prizes will be awarded for best dressed and best dance moves. FOS would love any help to set up and decorate the hall at 5pm.



Heather & Anika for dealing with the orders.
Seed Fundraiser - Last day for orders Friday 27 September (last day of term). Seeds are easy to sow, fun to grow and will reward you with gorgeous flowers year after year.
www.facebook.com/Marotiri-Friends-of-the-School contact Bryony: brywy@hotmail.co.nz 027 608 1337 or collect an order form from the office.

General School Notices

Student Portfolios will be coming home this week for whanau to view examples of students’ learning from terms 2 & 3.

Loud Shirt Day 27th September
(last day of Term 3). Help us support children with a hearing impairment by wearing a bright, funky, crazy t-shirt to school. A fun way to commit serious fashion crimes while raising awareness for children who wear hearing aids and can’t hear as well as others.



School Fees & Sports Fees We are completing our mid year family account reconciliation. Statements will be issued shortly for any outstanding amounts. Please contact the office with any queries or to make payment arrangements.

Sports t-shirts –please check if you have any sports t-shirts at home and return to the office as we are doing a stock take. A special reminder for those who participated in the Pinelands and Interschool Events this term.

Alert — Immunisation Update Due to the National measles outbreak, we have reviewed our immunisation records and will be in contact with any families whose details need updating. For updates and information you can visit The Immunisation Advisory Centre www.immune.org.nz

Alert — Head Lice (Nits) Head lice has been detected at school. Parents/caregivers need to check children’s hair and treat if required. Visit the Healthline website to find out how to check for head lice and treatment options: <https://www.healthline.com/health/head-lice#diagnosis> Head lice treatment can be prescribed by your General Practitioner (GP) at a subsidised cost also.

Proposed Zoning Update

As part of the discussions with the Ministry of Education concerning a proposed enrolment scheme (school zone). It is important we are aware of future enrolments. Have you advised the school of any younger siblings that will be attending Marotiri School in the future? Please email the office adminoffice@marotiri.school.nz with the child’s name, DOB and names of siblings attending our school.

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Room 1 held a sausage sizzle fundraiser outside Mega Mitre 10 on Saturday to raise funds for the Yr 4-6 camp. **A huge thank you to Affco Meats who donated 250 sausages.** They were a huge hit and we had many comments about the great quality of the sausages. **Also, thank you to Countdown who donated \$100 towards the rest of the supplies** needed to make our fundraiser successful. And lastly, a huge thank you to the parents and children who either donated supplies or gave up their time on Saturday to help man the BBQ. Without you, the fundraiser would not have been possible. We managed to raise \$500 which will go towards our camp funds. Laura Pearton, Rm 1 Teacher



COMMUNITY NOTICES

EVENTS

- South Waikato Young Farmers: Meet at the Bullring the 2nd Wednesday of every month. Come along Wednesday 7th August @ 6:30 pm. We are not just for farmers. All are welcome! Like us on Fb or Call Ash for more information 0273909000

GENERAL

- Marotiri School will be utilising the SKOOL LOOP APP more often to communicate with parents. Receive notifications of events, cancellations, notices, newsletters, permission slips, absentees. Free download and choose Marotiri once installed.
- Marotiri School Livestock Scheme - Thank you very much to those who have confirmed their support in this scheme.** Can you help? Rear a calf to weaning? (Ideally a well-marked beef or Freisian bull or recorded dairy heifer) We can provide a Marotiri School named calf tag for easy identification. Animals suitable for petfood or cash cheque payments for animals sent for petfood (incl rams, ewes, down cows), any surplus stock (Ag Day Lambs!), offer to graze stock. We may also be able to take injured animals! Please give us a call, Grant 027 537 5038 or Steph 027 547 8374

EMPLOYMENT

- Relief Milker wanted. Phone 0273476229 Alex
- WANTED**
- Calf Milk wanted to purchase (1000+litres p/week) 027 696 5223
- Dry firewood to purchase asap (Marotiri) 073728882
- Jars wanted by FOS for making chutney/relish to sell at Ag Day.
- To raise funds to go towards getting a Marotiri School glasshouse, we are asking for any donations of small native plants or vegetable seedlings. These will then be sold on Ag day. We also require plastic plant pots. If you are able to help, please get in touch with Laura Pearton in Room 1 or inquire at the office.

FOR SALE

- A black plastic water tank 1.65m by 1.28m. Good condition. \$250. 2 electric fence reels \$25 each. Phone 027 233 0478
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Ag Day 2019

Friday 25th October
Judging begins at 10am



Ag Day offers all students the opportunity to enter a calf, lamb, kid, dog or ‘other’ small pet in a competition. While lambs, kids and dogs will be judged on the day, calves will be judged as a virtual competition. Students will submit a digital record of the rearing and leading process to be judged. Pet Registration Forms are sent home today to register your pet (extra forms available from the office). There will be a range of indoor visual arts and baking competition entries in classrooms. Please return all **Ag Day Trophies** to the school office.

SERVICES & CLASSES AVAILABLE

- Pet Grooming Service at your home. Alessandra Keidann is based in Marotiri and will come to you. Ph 021 0821 7156 alehomepetcare@wordpress.com
- Marotiri Yoga Sessions Tuesday 6.30pm \$10 per session. Open to all levels with half of the earnings going to the Marotiri Hall fund. Please bring yoga mats, water & something warm. For updates follow Marotiri Yoga on Facebook
- Chrissy Metcalfe, Teacher of Modern Style Piano Keyboard and Theory. Yrs 1-8 Spaces available for lessons in school time on Tuesdays. Possible sibling share options. Ph 07-377 4901 or 022-106 5938 Email: Clairmont.p@xtra.co.nz

EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION

- Kinloch Kindergarten Opening Soon in September-October 2019. For further information, contact Jayne on kinloch@centralkids.org.nz
- Kiwi Steps Preschool, 42 Tihoi Rd, Whakamaru 8am – 5pm for all children 0 – 5 years Open school holidays. Bicultural learning environment. ECE, Primary and Te Kohanga Reo qualified teachers. 20 hrs FREE for 3 & 4 year olds. office@kiwisteps.co.nz (07) 8828 234 or 027 9330 368
- WHAKAMARU PLAYCENTRE Mondays & Fridays 9.30 - 12:00 noon Corner Arataki & Tihoi Roads. This is a free, parent-run programme for children aged 0-5 years. E: whakamaru.playcentre@gmail.com Phone Lisa 07 2120025 or Alley 027 3722858
- COUNTRY KIDZ ECE is a community based centre for preschoolers from 6 months to 5 years old. We warmly welcome new families to the area. Morning session 8.30am - 12.30pm, Full day session 8.30am - 3.30pm 20 free ECE hours available for 2, 3 and 4 year olds - conditions apply. Please contact us on 07 333 9111 or at countrykidz@xtra.co.nz Centre Manager Sarndra Evans

Update from Marotiri School BOT

Hello from the Board,
We hope everyone is keeping well and enjoying this little bit of sunshine we have experienced.
The Board is currently working on developing a proposal to the Ministry of Education regarding the Enrollment Scheme. If you have any areas that you feel very strongly about that has to be prioritised, or have any concerns or questions, can you please email Louette on louette.breingan@marotiri.school.nz.
We are not entitled to share the proposal with our community until after submitting it to the MoE and receiving their approval. It does seem a bit backwards, however, this is MoE protocol and as a Board we are dedicated to ensuring that we go through this process to the letter and do everything properly. So, our apologies if things seem vague, but we are following regulations.
Lastly, our wonderful teachers have been quite busy with Personal Development over the last couple of weeks. This is an area that is so vital to ensuring our children are receiving the best possible education and our teachers are growing in their roles. Please feel free to talk to your children’s teachers about what they have been doing.
Have a wonderful week,

The Marotiri School BOT