

# Marotiri Messenger

## From the Principal's Desk

Wednesday 10th February 2021  
Week 2 Term 1

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

Welcome to the first edition of the Marotiri Messenger for 2021.

This year is especially significant for Marotiri School as we celebrate our 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary. We began our school year with a Powhiri (Whakatau) to formally welcome those students and families who have joined us since the start of 2020. Matua Grant Hohepa led the proceedings. Thank you to those who joined us for this special occasion.

The title of this term's School Inquiry is "Freedom and Responsibility: 1961 – 2021". We look forward to our students and teachers gaining a better understanding of the history of the Marotiri community, and developing an appreciation of the ways in which Marotiri School has changed over the last 60 years. There have already been some exciting revelations.

Upper Tihoi School, as our school was originally called, has touched many lives since opening and its renaming as Marotiri School in the very early days, was most apt – 'the place where the Chieftain placed his mark, or cloak'. We look forward to building connections with past pupils to garner snippets of information. We have copies of the 25<sup>th</sup> and 50<sup>th</sup> Jubilee books, however, if anyone has photos that they feel would add value to our study, we would love to view these and take copies if appropriate.

Our School wide goal this term supports our Inquiry: 'We will take care of our school' which encompasses the key competency Managing Self and involves taking care of our physical environment, buildings, grounds and school property, personal belongings, as well as looking after everyone who belongs to our school community, and ensuring students are well prepared for their day's learning.

With the news of the recent Covid cases surfacing in Auckland and Hamilton, we are hopeful that our district will not be affected. However, in the event of a resurgence of COVID-19 we need to be well prepared. We are working alongside the Ministry to create a plan, with regards to expectations for families and staff and a plan

for distance learning which will be shared with you should the need arise. The Ministry will continue to provide updates and links to appropriate information. Schools may be required to close for 72 hours with very little notice if there are confirmed cases in a community to allow for contact tracing. We continue to encourage staff, parents and whanau to be vigilant about implementing key public health measures such as regular washing and drying of hands, and appropriate coughing and sneezing etiquette. This is also a timely reminder to ensure that we are all conscientious in the use of the NZ COVID-19 Tracer App.

While we have been fortunate to see a few drops of rain today, please remind your children of the importance of Slip, Slop, Slapping to keep safe from the sun. The pool is looking great and lunch-time swims are proving popular. We look forward to welcoming the Poolside swimming tutors who are coming to us from Auckland next Wednesday, and then the Swimwell swimming tutors who will join us the following week for our annual swimming lessons. Please remind students to bring their togs each day.

Ngā mihi

Rose Symes



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YOU HAVE BRAINS IN YOUR HEAD.

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DIRECTION YOU CHOOSE.

*Dr. Seuss*



## Farewell from Marotiri School

A sincere farewell to all our students who have moved onto Intermediate and College. We wish to thank every one of you for your tremendous input into Marotiri School. All the best for your future achievements. Thankyou to all the families of these students for your contributions and help during their school years at Marotiri School.

We would also like to thank the students and their families who have moved out of the district— Dan Riggs & Natalie Picco and Tyson and Sienna, Joel & Hayley Williams and Nixon & Sadie, Japie & Yolandi Nortje and Jacoli, Grant Trautvetter and Tayzha, Daezahria and Jzharklan, Mathew Williamson & Alisha Hodges and Bowie.

We also owe our grateful thanks to David & Elizabeth Dysart for their continued support through BOT and FOS.

## Birthday Celebrations

Turning 7 this month is Lily (18th), Turning 8 this month is Allie (11th) & Carleigh (15th), Turning 10 this month is Zach (24th)

**Happy Birthday to you all !!**



Our Powhiri on Thursday to welcome new students & families

## Welcome to Marotiri School

A warm welcome to our new families and to the following students who have joined us at school:- Harper, Beauden, Myla and Cooper in Rm 6. Caitlyn & Jordan in Room 3, Ariel & Lily in Room 4, Libby in the Senior Studio.

Next Marotiri Messenger date - 24th Feb 2021

Next Board of Trustees Meeting

Tuesday 23rd February 2021



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## What's On This Term

12th Feb	Kinloch Picnic
17th Feb	Poolside Swimming Lessons
18th Feb	Room 5 & 6 Overnight Camp
22—26th Feb	Swimwell Swimming Lessons
25th Feb	Parent Evening-Meet & Greet, Picnic Dinner, Sports
3rd Mar	Marotiri Swimming Sports
4th Mar	World Book Day—Dress up
5th Mar	Pinelands Swimming Sports TBC
10th Mar	Yr 7 & 8 overnight trip—Waihothonu Hut
11th Mar	Trek visit 8.50—9.30am
13th Mar	Marapolooza Music Festival
23rd Mar	Board Meeting
23-25th Mar	Student Led Conferences
31st Mar	Go Girls Cricket Tournament Yr 4-6
2—5th April	Easter
16th Apr	End of Term 1

Sincere thanks to David & Elizabeth Dysart (Appletree Bridge Farm) for the generous donation of a steer in December for the benefit of Marotiri School, which saw an injection of \$2052 into the school bank account.



## SCHOOL PICNIC, KINLOCH Friday 12th February 9.45am—2.30pm

**No school buses that day!**

Families meet in front of the hall on the Kinloch domain behind the store and fire station, for the morning activities. Children may be left unaccompanied, but we must know this in advance. Please advise your child's teacher on the day. This is a school day, and all children are expected to attend. Parents are encouraged to come along and join us for games, lunch, a swim and not forgetting the infamous parents tug-of-war. Children must be collected by 2pm.

## Friends of the School (FOS)

FOS are desperately seeking new members to help with all the organising and running of fundraising events due to longstanding members children leaving primary. Our first meeting will be next week (day & time to be confirmed). Please see Bryony or Rose at the Kinloch Picnic if you have any questions.

**Guitar & Ukulele Lessons** will commence next Monday 15th February with Rochelle Rangit. Please remember to bring along your instruments. If your child/ren would like to participate would you please contact the school office.

## 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](http://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.**

## Bus reminder

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

Should there be any change to your child's bus route or routine, we require a letter, phone call or email to advise of the change. Your consideration is much appreciated.

**Please note:** As a safety issue we require all children to wear shoes when travelling on school buses. They must wear them to school and home, but do not need to wear them at school. Please help us maintain this safety issue. Thank you.

## HELLO FROM THE BOARD

So nice to see school buzzing again with the children returned! Our beautifully renovated pool has been well patronised given the recent heat; I know many are hoping there's rain on the forecast though.

The Powhiri held on Thursday provided an awesome welcome to our new families. Many warm thanks to Matua Grant for his guidance.

At time of writing, we are on the verge of signing off our 10 year property plan! It has been a big effort to itemise and prioritise work needed around school and I thank all involved.

I would also like to formally acknowledge our recently fare-welled Board members—Dan Riggs and previous Chair Louette Breingan. They were wonderful additions to our team and the effort and energy they gave our school is greatly appreciated.

The next Board meeting is scheduled for 6:30pm on the 23rd of February; this meeting is open to all interested in attending. The board will review and potentially amend its constitution.

## SEVEN OAKS

## KINLOCH 2021 Triathlon FESTIVAL



**14th FEBRUARY 2021**

Dear Resident

Tri Sport Taupo is once again proud to host the Seven Oaks Kinloch Triathlon Festival, on Sunday 14th February 2021. The various races will run from 08:00 until 1:30pm.

The event is a flagship event for the Taupo region as it attracts more than 1,000 competitors and supporters to the town. We are conscious that it is our responsibility to provide a safe course for the athletes while ensuring minimum disruption to the community. As such, you are receiving this letter in advance as this event may have some impact on you.

Set up will start early on Saturday 13th February, predominantly in the Kinloch Beach area (opposite the shops), with a transition area and finish line. During this period there will also be a Junior aquathlon along the Kinloch beachfront. There will be no road closures or cyclists during this event.

Racing and Prize Giving will be concluded by 2:30pm on the 14th. Road Closure Barriers will be removed as soon as it is safe to do so before then. Pack down of the course will commence immediately after prize giving and everything should be clear from the Lakeside area that evening.

To safely manage the triathlon, the following has been approved and publicly notified by Taupo District Council

**Road Closures 08:00am to Approx 1:30pm**

- Kinloch Road from Kennig Road to the Fire Station on Mata Place
- Marina Terrace from Kinloch Road to Irwin Place—excludes Irwin Place

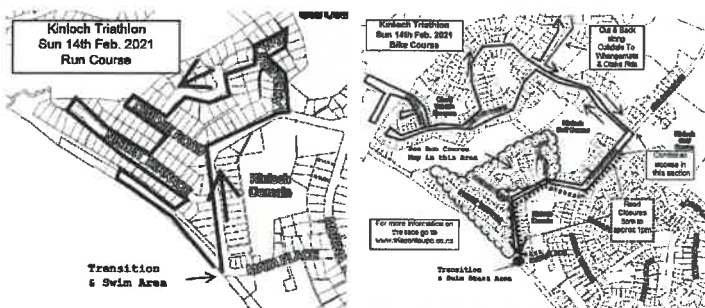
**Manual Traffic Control**

- Kinloch Road from Lisland roundabout to Kennig Road
- Lisland Dr—Oakdale roundabout
- Whangamata Road (from Oakdale Dr.) out to and up Otake Road from 8am to approx. 11am

Provision will be made between races for the entry and exit to Kinloch via either Kinloch Rd. or Oakdale Dr. Event traffic is being directed around Kennig Road / Marina Tce / Mata Place into the front of the domain. This route is also open for the boat ramp. We ask you to please consider these restrictions when planning travel on Sunday the 14th Feb and use alternative routes if and wherever possible. We suggest that if the above road closures affect you, park in the event parking area in the Kinloch Domain before those times and an exit from Kinloch should be possible.

We greatly appreciate your assistance and co-operation. We would not be able to run this event without it. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Race Director on the day, Paul Miller 027 270 5300 or Steve Currie 027 496 7735. Traffic Director Chris Todd 021 355218

More information about the event is available on [www.trisporttaupo.co.nz/events/kinloch-triathlon](http://www.trisporttaupo.co.nz/events/kinloch-triathlon)





## OTHER NOTICES

### Distribution of the Marotiri Messenger

The preferred method of distribution for the Messenger is via email. If we have you registered for email, you will no longer receive a hardcopy. Please advise the school office if you would prefer email, and we will update the register.

### STATIONERY

Please ensure your child has their stationery order completed ASAP. Class requirements are available from school and stationery can be purchased from the office at competitive rates. Stationery will be issued on receipt of payment.

### Marotiri School Board of Trustees

Chairperson	Steph Russell
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Board of Trustees' meetings are held monthly in the staffroom on the third or fourth Tuesday of the month at 6.30pm and are open to all people interested in attending.

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### Agrikids & FMG Junior Young Farmer Comp

Hey everyone, the Agrikids and FMG Junior Young Farmer competition will be at the Tauranga Race Course this year! Entries for both are now open and free to sign up for AgriKids. We'd love to get as many kids involved as possible, they compete in teams of three in a series of fun challenges. It's an awesome initiative to get involved in and test skills or just have a bit of fun. It's also something that could keep them busy and give them something to look forward to! And the best part is the kids don't even need to be from a farm to enter! Check out what happens at the contest here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=erdEubYGEeQ>. And Spread the word and sign up here if you're interested: <https://www.agrikidsnz.co.nz/welcome-to-agrikids-new-zealand/>

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