## Marotiri Messenger

### From the Principal's Desk

Wednesday 7th July 2021 Week 10 Term 2

Kia ora Koutou,

Greetings to parents and members of the Marotiri School Community.

The last week of Term 2 is already upon us, and what better way to end the term than with a school disco last Thursday and then celebrating Matariki with a shared breakfast yesterday. Thank you to our wonderful Friends of the School for organising our disco and to our talented DJ Lisa Wanger.

Thank you to Fee Holdsworth and our Senior Studio for organising, cooking and serving breakfast to our entire school as part of their Tech Arts Food and Technology Programme. What a magnificent Matariki breakfast. Thank you Karli Knowles, Carla Harcourt and Amanda Wilcox for assisting.

Our shared breakfast was followed by the planting of a kowhai tree in our native bush area by Jaz Wynn and Alice Waterworth being the oldest and youngest students respectively. The tree planting is a symbol of new beginnings making it a fitting way to mark Matariki. The occasion heralds the start of a new year in the Maori

A celebration of learning completed our special day, by offering an opportunity for parents, friends and extended family to visit classrooms and view the wonderful learning our students have taken part in this term as part of our STEAM inquiry. As most of you will be aware, our inquiry focus for Term 2 has been based around the context of the Zoo. The knowledge gained from the class visits to Hamilton Zoo earlier this term and the ensuing research was evident with the detailed presentations the students delivered. Art work, and models of animal and reptile enclosures were cleverly created with well-thought out enhancements, designed to meet both the needs of the 'inhabitants' and the

visiting public.

Planning is well underway for Term 3's Inquiry, which will be based around the Local Histories and Arts Curriculum and will culminate in a school wide production which will celebrate the retelling of Tuwharetoa Stories of the Past. The production will be a focal point of our School's 60th Anniversary celebrations. We are fortunate to have been successful in an application for funding from REAP, which will go some way towards supporting the production of our show.

I would like to congratulate all of our students who have taken part in the winter sports codes this term, along with the fabulous coaches who give up their own time to train and support our students. We are very lucky to have such dedicated and skilled coaches. Cross country will be our first Pinelands sports event next term.

Finally, as spring looms closer, a heads up that this year's Ag Day will be held on the first Friday of Term 4, which is the Friday of Labour Weekend being the 22nd of October. You might like to pop this date in your calendar now. Ag Day will include the judging of calves, lambs, kid-goats, dogs along with an array of additional pets, arts and craft displays, baking, and outdoor stalls and activities.

Quote of the week: If you are planning for a year, sow rice; if you are planning for a decade, plant trees; if you are planning for a lifetime, educate people" - Chinese proverb.

Ngã mihi Rose Symes



### **Farewell from Marotiri School**

A sincere farewell to the following students and their family who are leaving our school.- Brook in SS, Leah in Rm 3, Lacev in Rm 5. We wish you all the best with your new ventures.



to Marotiri School

A warm welcome to the following student and her family who have joined us at school:- Maddison in Room 6.

### Matariki Shared Breakfast

Matariki shared breakfast was held Tuesday 6th July. The students and Miss Holdsworth from the Senior Studio organised, cooked and served the food in the hall to all students. What a wonderful effort. We owe our grateful thanks to the parents who helped on the day and to those who donated bacon, sausages, bread, hash browns, milo & milk and loaned toasters and BBQ's for this to be a success. THANKYOU. We could not have done it without you.

More photos inside .....

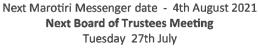
### **Birthday Celebrations**

Turning 6 this month is Kayleigh (14th), Turning 7 is Rose (24th), Turning 8 is Adell (8th), Turning 9 is Alice B (13th), Georgia (15th), Maple (22nd), Turning 10 is Connor (30th), Turning 11 is Grace W (18th), Turning 13 is Lucas (16th).

Happy Birthday to you all !!



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### What's On This Term

Last day of term, Reports & Portfolios sent home 9th July

26th July First day of Term 3.

### **SUPER STUDENTS**

### Week ending 25th June -

Senior Studio- Jaygar Lee, Devaydin Sherman, Cam Walters & Rachel Gibbons

Room 2— Brieanna Fletcher, Cullen Russell

Room 5- Skailah Mclean, Kaleb Budd

Room 6— Cooper Dudley, Maddex Reece

### Week ending 2nd July -

Senior Studio- Isaac Ramsay, Brook Gibson

Room 2- Grace Wylie, Isla Anderson

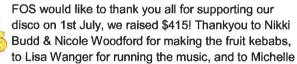
Room 3— Elijah Middleton, Georgia Chamberlin

Room 4— Holly Anderson, Harix Lee

Room 5— Samantha Wylie, Jacob McCormack

Room 6- Indie Donaldson, Alice Waterworth

### **FOS Thankyou**



Hine, Nic Chamberlin, Nicole Woodford, Anna Webber, Julia Brandao, Holly Dudley and Bryony Wylie for their help on the night.

### Friends of the School Fundraising—Oxford Pies

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### **Matariki Shared Breakfast photos**



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### **Pinelands Speech Competition Results**

#### Year 3/4 Poems

1st Paddy Parkes-Whakamaru / Pickle with Cheddar

2nd Hannah Russell-Marotiri / Ghost Cat 3rd Maple Sweetman-Marotiri / My Holiday

Highly Commended—Hunter Prier—Whakamaru / I took my doggy

for a walk

### Year 5/6 Speeches

1st Harrison Robinson-Marotiri / Spider Monkeys

2nd Grace Brandao-Marotiri / Zoos

Jordan Morris-Whakamaru / Pig Hunting 3rd

4th Estahm Currie-Whakamaru / Dementia

#### Year 7/8 Speeches

Ruby Taylor-Whakamaru / Mindfulness 1st

2nd Cam Walters-Marotiri / Cows

3rd Braiden Currie-Whakamaru / Grandparents Raising

Grandchildren

4th Kaani Trueman-Whakamaru / Vaping is the New Addiction

### Room 2 at the Observatory

### At the Observatory—by Grace

On Tuesday not last week but the week before, happily, we arrived at Hamilton Zoo. First thing in the morning, lan kindly taught us all the rules and where all the animals are. Then we went to see all the big and small animals, they were awesome. Isla and myself loved the enormous Rhinos and the speedy cheetahs, but most of all we loved seeing the

tigers being fed. Later that day we went to water world. We had delicious pizzas. Finally when everyone was tired and worn out, we made our trip back to the zoo. Ian had let us have a look at Jupiter with 4 of its 60 moons and Saturn with all of its icy rings through the telescopes. We also had a sneak peak at the 10-32 metre diameter telescope. We also saw the space station but sadly it was only the size of a small star but it was moving very quickly.

### **Matariki Tree Planting**



To celebrate Matariki a Kowhai Tree was planted to symbolise new beginnings. Jaz Wynn and Alice together Waterworth Mrs Symes completed the planting.





### **OTHER NOTICES**

### **HELLO FROM THE BOARD**

The shortest day has been and gone already and the same can nearly be said for term 2! The Board has been active as ever, with our focus most recently on property and buildings. The effects of covid are still being felt, as our turf has been held up off shore, though we are hopeful to see that and the new storage shed in place very soon!

Last week, Board members visited three Rotorua schools to gain insight of how we can appropriately allocate funding to better utilise and update some of the footprint we already have. We then attended a meeting regarding the Education Review Office's review restructure; our review process will commence in term 3. Their review is evidence-based and they work to understand how the results in our school are being achieved. ERO operate transparently and completed review reports are available on their website.

We are pleased to have signed up to SchoolDocs, which is an online platform for our policies and procedures. This is a popular tool used by many schools - policies and procedures are monitored and updated to comply with New Zealand legislation, ERO and Ministry of Education requirements, and to reflect the outcomes of policy reviews. Will be such a great time saver and offer reassurance we are up to date.

With calving looming for our dairy community, we ask if there are any offers of livestock donations for our livestock scheme. The livestock scheme fundraiser is vital to help supplement our operations grant. Brad Woodford is leading this; please feel free to call him, obligation-free, if you want to know more - 021 589 444. We hope you enjoy happy holidays with your friends and family!

#### **SOCCER—HOME GAMES THIS SATURDAY 10th JULY**

9.30am Marotiri Magpies v Taupo Hawkes on Field 2 9.30am Marotiri Mustangs v Taupo Wanderers on Field 1 10.30am Marotiri Marvels v Taupo Hammers on Field 2 Come & support our teams.

Sausage sizzle and drinks for sale / \$2 each



### Tu Manawa Active Aotearoa Fund: Sport Waikato



Tū Manawa Active Aotearoa provides funding for programmes or projects delivering play, active recreation and sport experiences for tamariki and rangatahi.

Marotiri School has been granted \$6000 to sportWalkato provide resources for our students to access during morning tea and lunchtimes. We are very excited to have been successful in our

application. This initiative will commence next term. Many thanks to Tu Manawa Active Aotearoa: Sport Waikato.

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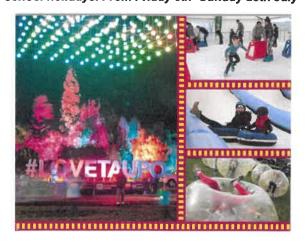
Our condolences go out to Dennis & the Gayton family with the recent passing of Kay Gayton. Kay was active in the community and Marotiri School.



### **Early Childhood Education**

- \* Kinloch Kindergarten is now open. For further information, contact Jayne on kinloch@centralkids.org.nz
- \* Kiwi Steps Preschool, 42 Tihoi Road, 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. 07 8828234 or 027 9330368 office@kiwisteps.co.nz
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- \* 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

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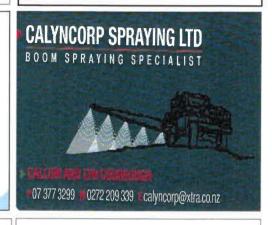
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