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MAROTIRI MESSENGER

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A MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Kia ora koutou,

Greetings to parents and members of the Marotiri School Community,

Health and Wellbeing update: COVID has certainly had a significant impact on our school over the last two weeks with a large number of teaching and support staff, students and parents being affected. There is also a nasty flu and a gastro bug circulating. We are indebted to our versatile staffing team who pitched in with relief teaching, admin office duties and school cleaning in the absence of staff. We were also very grateful to our relievers. By Wednesday this week we had our full teaching staff back along with most students. We wish families affected by illness a speedy recovery.

Thank you: Thank you to Liz Redley who took up the reins as our relief cleaner at the start of last week before becoming unwell herself. To the Drysdale family, thank you for your support for our school. Robert Drysdale donated his plumbing expertise, while Lizzie assisted with bathroom cleaning in our hour of need. We are pleased to see Sara return this week as our resident cleaner.

FOS Disco: A huge thank you to our FOS for organising our Fluro Themed Disco. The Disco was well supported with great music, food and face painting. Thank you to Ms Wanger for being our super DJ.

Staff Appointment: Congratulations to Holly Dudley who has been appointed as our new fixed term reliever in Room 3 for Term 3 and 4 while Ms Wanger is on leave. Holly is an experienced teacher who has relieved in Room 3 and is well-known to our students. She has previous experience in teaching Year 4-5 students. Holly is a passionate FOS member and active community member. We look forward to welcoming Holly to our staff.

Safe Internet Usage: Winter weather frequently results in increased device time at home. Each student signs an internet agreement when starting school. From time to time, it becomes necessary for teachers to refer students to the agreement with regard to appropriate use of school devices. We ask that parents please support us by reminding your children about safe internet usage.

Pinelands Senior Winter Sports: Unfortunately, due to the high number of staff and senior student absences last week with COVID and flu bugs, we were unable to attend the annual Pinelands Senior Winter Sports. Instead, we held our own sports day at Marotiri.

The Pinelands Junior Dance Festival: Students from Rooms four, five and six will attend the Junior Dance Festival at Tirohanga School on 16th June. More information will be sent home. Parents are welcome to attend.

Pinelands Speech competitions: Marotiri School will be hosting this year's Pinelands Speech competition on 13th June for those Year 3-8 speech finalists who have been selected from each of the Pinelands Schools. The event involves Year 3-4 poetry recitals and Year 5-8 prepared speeches.

Year 1-2 students will take part in a Junior Poetry Festival on the 8th June. Parents are invited to join these events.

Quote of the Week: Individual commitment to a group effort – that is what makes a team work, a company work, a society work, a civilization work. – Vince Lombard

Nga Mihi,
Rose Symes

WHATS ON THIS TERM

TERM 2

05 June King's Birthday (Public holiday)

06 June Marotiri Pre-School Group

08 June Jnr Poetry Festival Yrs 1-2

13 June Pinelands Speech Competition Yrs 3-8

14 June The Big Orienteering day Yrs 7-8

16 June Jnr Dance Festival Yrs 1-3

22 June Powhiri to welcome new families

28 June Dance Performance

30 June Last day of Term 2

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Oxford Pies are a wholesale pie manufacturer based in Hamilton who specialise in quality meat and fruit pies in family size as well as multipacks and lamingtons! All are great to have in the freezer ready for calving time.

Order forms and payment need to be in by Friday 30th June (last day of Term 2). Pies will be delivered on Tuesday 18 July. Order forms will be sent home.

INTERNET SAFETY TIPS FOR KIDS

- Only use school devices for teacher approved learning activities.
- Ensure any messaging is kind and appropriate.
- Never share personal information online.
- Don't respond to emails, texts, or messages from strangers.
- Don't post or share photos online.
- Don't click links, open attachments, or accept gifts from someone you don't know.
- Never agree to meet someone you met online.

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THE MAROTIRI COMMUNITY HALL TRUST

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QUIZ NIGHTS

at the Tihoi Bar and Eatery

This Friday June 2nd at 7:30pm

Sponsored by Farm Source Taupo,
Ngaroma Natives, Ecolab & Vet Ora
\$10pp. Teams of 4.

All proceeds go back to the Marotiri
Community Hall.

Please arrive early at the pub to
register – quiz starts at 7:30pm sharp.
Three more Quiz Nights on Friday June
16, June 30 and July 21!

Care Matters Workshop

Current, relevant, practical information for family, whanau
and carers of children and adults with disabilities.

EXPLORE – LEARN – CONNECT

We aim to ensure workshops meet local
interests and needs.

Topics many carers have requested at
previous workshops include:

- Understanding Funding and Systems
- Managing Stress
- Effective communication
- Enabling Good Lives and Planning for the Future
- Enabling Good Lives Family Core Groups and Regional Leadership Groups

Taupo Face to Face FREE WORKSHOP

Date: 6th June 2023
Time: 9.30am – 2.30pm

Venue confirmed on booking

Lunch provided

Facilitators with lived experience

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