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Marotiri Messenger

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Kia ora Koutou,

Greetings to parents
and members of
the Marotiri School community,

Welcome to Lucy Taylor, young-
er sister of Ruby and daughter of
Kelly and Hans who started in
Room 6 on Monday and Eddie
Pepper, youngest child of Nick
and Michelle and brother of An-
nabel, Caroline and Damian
who will join us on Friday.

I would like to take this oppor-
tunity to congratulate the stu-
dents and staff on a fabulous
year's work. I also thank our
students, parents, staff, Board,
Friends of the School and com-
munity members for the warm
welcome and support you have
given me since my arrival at
Marotiri School. I feel blessed
to be part of such a wonderful
school community. Geoff and I
have settled happily into our
new lifestyle at Oruanui.

Last night the parents of our
Year 8 students joined the staff
for a formal Year 8 Leavers
dinner. We could not have been
more proud of our students as
one by one they presented their
leavers' speeches. They have
shown themselves to be diligent,
resourceful and respectful lead-
ers models of Marotiri School,
providing wonderful leadership
in every sense of the word. I
wish Carmen, Caitlin, Grace,
Makuini, Lilly-Kate, Zeke and
Connor every success as they
move on to their respective high
schools.

Last week's Market Day was a
fabulous culmination of this
term's Biz Kidz Inquiry which
has been focused on developing
students' financial literacy skills.
This week, Room 3 and 4 are at

Tihoi Venture School for a two
day camp. We hope the weath-
er is kind and that the students
will have a wonderful time.
Thank you to parents, Ms
Stimpson and Miss Foley for
your commitment and support
in making this happen for our
students and to Cyn Smith for
again so generously accommo-
dating our students..

End of year assessments and
reports have been completed
and will be sent home next
Thursday. This time of the year
is time to celebrate the learning
successes of each and every
student. End of year prize giv-
ing will be held next Thursday
13th November and everyone is
welcome to join us.

The last day of term is Friday
14th. School will close at 12pm.

Growth in the school roll this
year has resulted in Ministry
funding for a seventh teacher
for our current term and for
2019. We are in the process of
appointing an additional class-
room teacher for next year and
will advise the community once
an appointment has been
made.

Student achievement data con-
firms the benefits of employing
an additional teacher in the
junior classrooms this term.

2019 will see a focus on further
developing our curriculum im-
plementation in Mathematics,
along with a continued focus on
developing our literacy pro-
gramme.

As part of the Taupō Commu-
nity of Learning we are commit-
ted to consolidating our 'Write
That Essay' programme which

looks at building student capa-
bility in writing carefully con-
structed sentences. We have
also been working with across
school teachers from the CoL
to strengthen the implementa-
tion of a culturally responsive
pedagogy across the school
and look forward to exploring
students' cultural heritage as
an inquiry topic for early next
year.

We look forward to being able
to introduce a music pro-
gramme in the New Year as
part of our weekly curriculum
plan.

Quote for the week: "Education
is for improving the lives of
others and for leaving your
community and world better
than you found it"

I wish you all a
wonderful Christ-
mas and safe
holidays and look
forward to wel-
coming you back
to Marotiri School Term 1,
2019.

Ngā mihi

Rose Symes

Students cele-
brating birthdays
before the end of
the year are
Shaylah who
turns 8 tomor-
row; Finn will be 10 on 8th;
Isla will be 10 on 9th; Matt
W turns 8 on 12th; Logan
will be 6 on 16th; Nick
turns 11 on 27 & Mathew C
will be 9 on 30th. Happy
birthday to you all.



Term 4
Week 8
Thursday
6 December
2018

NO INTERACTION THIS FRIDAY

Two classes are
away on camp & R2
is on a trip.

Welcome
New Entrants
Lucy Taylor
&
Eddie Pepper

LAST DAY 2018
FRIDAY 14TH DEC
12 PM
FIRST DAY 2019
TUESDAY 29TH
JANUARY

NEXT BOT MEETING - note change of date -

Tuesday 11 December at 6.45pm

<p><u>TERM 4 INQUIRY</u></p> <p>Financial Literacy</p> <p><i>How does money make the world go round?</i></p> <p>Needs v Wants</p>	<p>Please note: it is a safety issue and 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.</p>	<p><u>Forthcoming Events</u></p> <p>11 Dec: Piano students’ recital 1.00pm 12 Dec: Lunch time ‘Swim & Run’ event for all ages Prize Giving practice 13 Dec: Prize Giving 1.00pm sharp 14 Dec: End of term - First buses 12 noon.</p>	<p><u>Next Marotiri Messenger</u></p> <p>This is the last Marotiri Messenger for 2018</p>	<p><u>Kiwi Steps Preschool</u> 42 Tihoi Rd Whakamaru 8.00am – 5.00pm 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</p>	<p><u>Nanny Wanted</u></p> <p>We are looking for a nanny for our son next year (2019) who will be one at the end of February. Care would be a full day Thursday (8am-5pm), with the possibility of other days every now and then. We both work at Tihoi Venture School so there will be a little flexibility required but this will be given well in advance. Start date would be the end of January through till end November, with the exclusion of school holidays. Any interest, please contact <i>Emma Malcolm</i> on 0276350155</p>
<p><u>Taupo Interschools Swimming Sports</u> Congratulations to Caitlin Walters who placed 1st in the Y8 Girls’ 25m freestyle and 3rd in the Y8 Girls 50m Freestyle. Carmen Thomas who took out 3rd place in the Y8 Girls 25m Freestyle.</p>	<p><u>NEW ENROLMENTS FOR 2019</u></p> <p>If you have, or know of any families with children who will be attending Marotiri School next year, please phone the office now as we are finalising our class numbers for 2019. Ph: 07 3728273 or call in for a Prospectus.</p>	<p><u>CLASS CAMPS</u></p> <p>If you still owe money for the a class camp, please send it to school now or deposit in the ASB account 12-3162-0053803-00 with your child’s name as reference. Thank you.</p>	<p><u>Market Day Poems by Room 4</u></p> <p>Nervously, I waited for people to come to my shop. Excitedly, people came to buy popcorn and maths games. Sadly, people did not buy many of our things. Finally, people came to buy popcorn. Quickly, I bought a fun cup with a candy cane, whistle and pad. Slowly, I gave the customers some change. Carefully, I carried the fragile lava lamp. Proudly, we counted our money with nana. <i>By poet Jasmine.</i> Quickly, we set up our products and our stall too. Excitedly, we put our products on the middle desk and the signs went on each side of me. Happily, AJ and I went to buy something and Kayden stayed there. <i>By poet Kayden</i> Excitedly, Grace, Siddel and I took our desks outside. Quickly, we set up our stall. Sadly, not many people came to our stall. Finally, lots of people came to our stall. Nervously, Siddel bought lots of lollies. Happily, Hayley’s Dad let us keep the change. Patiently, I waited when Siddel and Grace went to buy things. <i>By poet Lana</i> Quickly, we set up our products and our stall too. Excitedly, we put our products on the middle desk and the signs went on each side of me. Happily, AJ and I went to buy something and Kayden stayed there. <i>By poet Kayden</i> Excitedly, we set up our stalls. Kindly, we thanked the people who bought our products. Sadly, no one was coming to our stall.</p>	<p><u>COUNTRY KIDZ ECE</u></p> <p>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.</p> <p>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 Sandra Evans</p>	<p><u>FLIES & SPIDER SPRAYING</u></p> <p>If you would like your house sprayed for flies and spiders, please phone the school office now for a booking.</p>
<p> Thank you to Mark Robertson who renewed the markings on the sprint tracks for the athletics on Monday. Unfortunately the weather curtailed a completion of the event but it is hoped a fine weather spell over the next few days will enable a completion of the competition.</p>	<p>Wednesday evening we hosted our 2018 Year 8’s Leavers’ Dinner. This great group of</p>  <p>young people have represented themselves and the school well in their time here. We wish them well in their future endeavours.</p>	<p>The school pool is now open for the summer. If you would like a pool key for the season, please phone the office or send \$45 to have the key sent home with your child. A \$10 refund will be available on return of the key when the pool is closed at the end of the season.</p>	<p><u>HELPERS WANTED FOR WORKING BEE</u> SATURDAY 15 DECEMBER 9.00 - 12 NOON</p> <p>There will be a working bee on Saturday 15 December from 9 - 12.00 to trim the trees along the road side in front of the school between the main entrance and the school house gateway. This is a requirement by OPUS in planning to reduce the speed limit in front of the school on SH 32.</p> <p>Please bring chainsaws, wood chippers, trailers, ladders, positive attitude.</p> <p>Contact Sean 0210745422 if you are available and willing to help.</p>	<p><u>WHAKAMARU PLAYCENTRE</u> 9.30 - 12:00 noon Mondays & Fridays 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</p>	<p><u>FOR SALE</u></p> <p>Porkers: Phone Barry 0274955518</p>
<p><u>BDO LAKE TAUPO CYCLE CHALLENGE</u></p> <p>Thank you to the volunteers who stood (or sat) in the pouring rain under trees or umbrellas supporting cyclists in the Kinloch/Marotiri area for this significant local event.</p> <p>Brenda & Zeke Chaffe, Heather Kelly, Lexie & Kellie, Carol Haggart & Maia Karaitiana, Nicola & Isaac Thomsen, Nanda Tournier, Jane Haycock, Leith & Murray Thomas, Elizabeth & Rocio Dysart, Karen & Nathan Fletcher, Donald & Barbara Steedman, David, Luke, Connor & Kate Briscoe, Melissa & Jack Robertson, Karen & Carmen Thomas & Grace Falwasser.</p> <p>The money raised for the school this year will contribute towards the senior class camp held in Hawkes Bay earlier this month.</p>	<p><u>RESOURCES FOR OUR NEW ENTRANT CLASSROOM</u></p> <p>Do you have any resources that may now be surplus to your needs which would be suitable for our new entrants’ classroom, i.e. matchbox cars, small dolls & clothes, measuring containers for sand and water, wooden puzzles, board games for 4-6 year olds, Lego, Duplo, mobilo, wooden dolls’ house, farm animals/barns/fences, train set, toy garage/ ramps, painting easel, painting drying rack, small wooden tables, small wooden bookshelves. With our increased roll growth we are having to stretch resources somewhat. Thank you.</p>	<p><u>HELPERS WANTED FOR WORKING BEE</u> SATURDAY 15 DECEMBER 9.00 - 12 NOON</p> <p>There will be a working bee on Saturday 15 December from 9 - 12.00 to trim the trees along the road side in front of the school between the main entrance and the school house gateway. This is a requirement by OPUS in planning to reduce the speed limit in front of the school on SH 32.</p> <p>Please bring chainsaws, wood chippers, trailers, ladders, positive attitude.</p> <p>Contact Sean 0210745422 if you are available and willing to help.</p>	<p><u>Room 5 Writing</u></p> <p><i>Retelling—“The Tuatara and the Skink”</i></p> <p>Once upon a time there was a tuatara and a skink. The tuatara was ugly, slow and old. The skink was fast, sleek and handsome. The tuatara was sleeping on a rock seat and then a skink came along. They were going to have a race. The skink fell asleep. The tuatara was winning but the skink passed him and the skink tripped up and the tuatara won. <i>By Nathan 6yrs</i></p> <p>Once upon a time in a quiet forest, lived a tuatara who was old and slow, and a skink who was ugly and a show-off. One day the skink asked the tuatara if he would like to have a race, so they had a race. On your marks-get set-go! And off they went. <i>By Lila 6yrs.</i></p> <p><u>OUR CAMP</u></p> <p>Zzzz! Zzzz! Went the kids sleeping in the tents Munch! Crunch! Went the kids eating burgers Snap! Snap! Went the sticks in the forest Slurp! Slurp! Went the kids drinking water We loved our camp! <i>By Axle 7 yrs</i> Zzzzz! Zzzzz! Went the kids sleeping in the tents Crunch! Slurp! Went the hungry kids and adults Giggle! Giggle! Went the campers at night Sizzle! Sizzle! Went the fire on the farm We loved our camp!</p>	<p><u>WHAKAMARU GARDEN CIRCLE</u></p> <p>No notice other than ‘Happy Christmas and seasons greetings to all.’ We have our next outing in February. Rio 073788697</p>	<p><u>Defibrillator – AED</u></p> <p>There is a defibrillator at the Marotiri Hall for community use. It is situated in a backpack inside a white wooden box at the main front door. Should need this for an accident, or extreme event e.g. heart attack, drowning etc. please make sure you know where it is located! It is automated and talks to you once the lid is opened and tells you what to do.</p> <p>Any queries please phone: <i>Marilyn Kidd, 07 3728383</i></p>
<p> Congratulations to our piano students who achieved amazing results in their recent theory exams.</p> <p>Caitlin Walters: Grade 3 95% - Distinction Pass Annabel Pepper: Grade 1 100% - Distinction Pass Ayla Lowe: Grade 1 100% - Distinction Pass</p>	<p><u>LIBRARY BOOKS, JOURNALS & READERS</u></p> <p>If you have any school books journals, readers at home, please gather them up and return to school asap.</p>	<p><u>The Story Of The Gingerbread Man</u> <i>As retold by Connor Briscoe</i></p> <p>Once upon a time, a baker was cooking a gingerbread man in his hot oven. Little did he know, something magical was about to happen. When he noticed a sweet, crisp aroma coming from the kitchen he walked in and opened the oven, intent on eating his delicacy. However, the short, granular, tasty gingerbread man, had other ideas. As the baker opened the oven, the gingerbread man jumped out and ran away with a rasping cackle of freedom. The baker ran after him shouting "Come back here so I can eat you!!" The gingerbread man kept running and as he ran past, the cow saw the intricate gingerbread man and joined the chase, "Let me eat you!" she mooed. As the gingerbread man ran past more animals they each cried out "let me eat you!!" The gingerbread man ran and ran until he came to the river and could run no more. The sly fox, knowing his moment, came out of a bush and offered the gingerbread man a ride across the river. The gingerbread man hopped onto the fox's back and the fox began to swim. Slowly, the gingerbread man was forced to move along the fox until he was standing on its snout. So, through the sly fox's cleverness, the gingerbread man was gone. Oh! He tasted savoury, and slightly tangy.</p>	<p><u>Room 6 Writing</u></p> <p>The rain came today. Everyone got wet. <i>By Carter 5 yrs.</i></p>	<p><i>By Connor 7 yrs</i> Crunch! crunch! Went the kids eating afternoon tea Vroom! Vroom! Went the kids riding their bikes Sizzle! Sizzle! Went the sausages on the barbeque Shuffle! Shuffle! Went the kids in their sleeping bags We loved our camp! <i>By Lila 6 yrs</i> Crunch! Crunch! Went the kids eating nuts Zzzz! Zzzz! Went Mila’s Dad snoring Sizzle! Sizzle! Went the patties on the BBQ Yum! Yum! Went the kids munching cupcakes We loved our camp! <i>By Nukumai 6 yrs</i></p>	<p><u>EMPLOYEES WANTED</u></p> <p>Relief cleaner & caretaker for Marotiri School. Please phone the office or Rose 0292500042.</p> <p><u>LATIN AMERICAN & SPANISH FILM FESTIVAL</u></p> <p>Everyone is invited to watch this year’s best movies from 11 Latin countries, to be held in the Taupo Museum from 1st to the 7th of December. Entry is free and open to the whole community. All the films with English subtitles.</p> <p>Any enquiries contact Elizabeth Dysart 020 400 35927 or www.lasfnz.co.nz</p>
<p>There are a number of containers in the staffroom, without names, left after Ag Day and junior camp. If you brought a container to school, please come and collect it or ask for it to be sent home with a child.</p> <p>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. Thank you.</p>	<p><u>Helpers Needed</u></p> <p>If you have an hour or two to spare over the next week, there are a few jobs that need doing to help speed up the end of year process. We are particularly looking for someone who wouldn’t mind doing a bit of weed eating around the grounds. Please phone the office: 073728273, if you would be interested.</p>		<p>1569 Tihoi Road R D I Mangakino 3492</p>		<p><u>Taupo School of Music - 2019</u></p> <p>Taupo School of Music is now taking enrolments for 2019. Instruments available to learn are – Guitar (8yrs+), Bass Guitar (9yrs+), Keyboard (7yrs+), Trumpet (7yrs+), Trombone (9yrs+), Clarinet (9yrs+), Alto Sax (10yrs+), Ukulele (5yrs+), Recorder (5yrs+), Flute (9yrs+), Percussion (not drum kit) (8yrs+), Violin (6yrs+), Cello (8yrs+). Expressions of interest for Bagpipes (9yrs+). Orchestral instruments are available to hire.</p> <p>If your child is interested in trying instrumental music and would like further information, or to enrol, please contact the Principal – admin@tsom.co.nz. Places are limited.</p>