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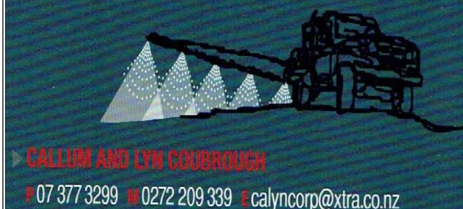
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Term 1  
Week 2  
Thursday  
7 February  
2019

### INTERACTION

THIS  
FRIDAY  
1.45pm

Welcome to  
our new  
students

Jaden Connolly-Hintz,

Kora Stevenson,

Carlsin Stairmand,

Taapapa Biddle-Rika

Marihi Tupu,

Linay Van der Mark,

Ashlin & Kerry Cripps

and their families

Kia ora Koutou,

Greetings to parents and  
members of the Marotiri School  
community,

Welcome to the first Marotiri  
Messenger for 2019.

We are all very excited about  
our new school year. Term 1  
has begun with a flourish, with  
the establishment of a seventh  
classroom; a senior studio which  
caters for our Year 7&8 students  
and is taught by Fee  
Holdsworth. We are grateful to  
the Marotiri Hall Trust for  
allowing us the use of the library  
until such time as we are able to  
fund an extra teaching space.  
The library has been relocated  
to the old Admin office which  
has been remodelled. Thank  
you to the team of parents and  
students who helped move  
books and shelving.

Our Term 1 student inquiry is  
"Whanaungatanga" in which we  
will explore our own cultural  
heritage, the history of our local  
community and in particular our  
connections with our local iwi.  
Student learning will be  
celebrated with an open day  
combined with a school and  
community hangi, in the last  
week of term. The staff and  
Board are focused on  
developing culturally responsive  
teaching practice which  
strengthens students and staff  
knowledge of Tikanga and  
empowers students to  
understand their heritage and  
their links to the Marotiri  
community.

A Powhiri was held to welcome  
our new teacher Mrs Rebecca  
Kelly, the return of past staff  
members, and new families to  
the school. Our Teacher Aide,  
Victoria Morgan and Rm 5  
teacher Mrs Arna Schultze, both  
return after being on leave in  
2018.

Due to roll growth, we have

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Fishing Competition weigh-in tomorrow from 3pm  
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opened a third classroom in the  
Year 4-6 area which allows us  
to provide smaller classes with  
targeted teaching. Laura  
Pearton teaches year 5-6 in  
Room 1, and we have two  
teachers, Miss Hannah Foley  
(Room 2) and Mrs Rebecca  
Kelly (Room 3) teaching  
Year 4-5. Our end of year data  
showed a significant increase in  
student achievement with the  
addition of a third teacher in the  
Junior hub in Term 4 and we  
look forward to similar results in  
our middle school.

We began the year with 143  
students.

Next Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup>, we will be  
holding a meet the teacher  
evening.

We are thrilled to welcome  
Rebecca Kelly as a permanent  
staff member. She has joined  
us from Papatoetoe North, a  
large school in South Auckland  
where she has been teaching  
for the past five years.  
Rebecca brings with her a  
passion and enthusiasm for  
teaching, and a love of ICT and  
the performing Arts. She has  
quickly become a valued staff  
member, and so it is with mixed  
emotions that we announce that  
Rebecca will be taking  
maternity leave from the middle  
of Term 2. She will return at the  
beginning of next year. We are  
advertising for a fixed-term  
reliever to fill this position, and  
a permanent teacher to replace  
Miss Hannah Foley who returns

to England in April.

I would like to acknowledge  
Grant Trautvetter for his work  
as school caretaker last year.  
We are currently interviewing  
for a new caretaker.

The staff and I are most  
grateful to **Tim Fletcher** for  
kindly ensuring our grounds  
were spic and span for day  
one.

It is also with considerable  
sadness that we announce the  
up-coming retirement of Leith  
Thomas. Leith has been a  
faithful administration officer  
for the past 14 years, but has  
decided that the time has  
come to hang up her phone,  
hand over her computer and  
spend some well-earned time  
with Murray. We will organise  
a formal farewell for Leith at  
the end of the term. We have  
had considerable interest in  
this position and will be  
interviewing shortly. Leith has  
kindly offered to work  
alongside our successful  
applicant to help make for a  
smooth transition through  
Term 1.

Quote for the week: "The  
purpose of Education is to  
replace the empty mind with  
an open one"

Ngā mihi

*Rose Symes*


Birthday celebrities this issue  
are Joshua who  
turned 10 on 1st;  
Nate turned 9 on  
4th; Dylan turned 12  
on 6th; Daezahria  
will be 8 on 8th;  
Siddell turns 8 on 10th; Allie  
turns 6 on 11th; Noah 11 on  
13th; James 11 on 15th;  
Carleigh 6 on 15th; Mikaire 9  
on 19th & Anahera 10 on  
20th. Happy birthday to you  
all.



**NEXT BOT MEETING**  
**Tuesday 26 February at 6.45pm**



<p><b><u>TERM 1 INQUIRY</u></b>  <b>“Whanaungatanga”</b>  <b>Exploring our cultural heritage</b></p>	<p><b>Please note:</b> 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.</p>	<p><b><u>2018 END-OF-YEAR PRIZE WINNERS</u></b></p> <p>Winners of our end-of-year awards in 2018 were:</p> <p>Jason Albert Memorial Trophy for Positive Attitude to Sport: Grace Falwasser</p> <p>Gredig Trophy for Cultural Activities: Carmen Thomas</p> <p>Laidlaw Cup for Perseverance and Endurance: Trinity Chaffe</p> <p>Stringfellow Trophy for Sportsmanship: Rocio Dysart</p> <p>Worthington Cup for the Best All-rounder: Caitlin Walters</p> <p>Tom Lind Trophy awarded for upholding the School Virtues: Carmen Thomas</p>
<p><b><u>NORTHFUELS - Fuel for Schools</u></b></p> <p>We are very grateful to the following businesses/farmers who have nominated Marotiri School in this sponsorship programme which has helped put over \$870,000 of resources into more than 300 rural school in the past 10 years. For every 2 litres of bulk fuel purchased, one cent is donated to the nominated school. <b>Marotiri has \$741.73</b> to date and when the \$1000 target is reached we are able to choose from an array of technology or sports equipment packages on offer. Thank you to:</p> <p><b>Regan McLeod Family Ltd Partnership</b>  <b>Appletree Bridge Farm Ltd</b>  <b>Zippa Trust</b>  <b>Stone Country Dairies</b>  <b>GD &amp; R Symes</b>  <b>Whakamaru Pump Services Ltd</b>  <b>Lakeshaw Holdings Ltd</b>  <b>Land R Farm Ltd</b>  <b>Ponui Partnership.</b></p>	<p><b><u>SCHOOL PICNIC</u></b>  <b>Kinloch Domain</b>  <b>Thursday 14 February</b>  <b>10.00 - 2.00pm</b></p> <p>Further information will be sent home next week, but we are asking, in advance for the use of 18 kayaks and lifejackets for the senior class and a power boat to accompany the kayakers. Adults on kayaks will also be required to patrol the swimming area off the main beach after lunch. If you are able to help, please call the office, 073728273.</p>	<p><b><u>Forthcoming Events</u></b></p> <p>Fri 8th Feb 3-7.30 FOS fundraiser Farmlands Fishing Comp</p> <p>Tues 12th Meet the Teachers 6.30pm</p> <p>Thurs 14th School picnic at Kinloch</p> <p>12-22 KiwiSport swim tutors in school</p> <p>28-1 Mar Room's 5 &amp; 6 Camp at school</p>
<p> Sincere thanks to <b>Roger and Amanda Garland</b> for the generous donation of two steers for the benefit of Marotiri School tamariki, amounting to <b>\$3405.04</b>. We are extremely grateful.</p>	<p><b><u>HOUSE GROUPS</u></b></p> <p>This year we are re-introducing a 5th house, Tihoi. House meetings have been held to gauge student interest in joining Tihoi. Senior students wishing to be House Leaders will make their presentations to the House teams on Monday.</p>	<p>We Seniors have been quick to settle into our new room (formally the library) currently referred to as the <i>senior studio</i>. We are learning about who we are - "<i>whanaungatanga</i>" - and our sense of belonging here at Marotiri School. What it means to be a senior student and what our roles are here at Marotiri, which all wraps nicely around the school's Inquiry for this term... Whanaungatanga.</p>
<p><b>Thank you to David Dysart &amp; James Lowry</b> who unearthed the septic tank and re-covered it for the cleaners earlier this week.</p>	<p><b><u>TIHOI ROAD TRAFFIC SAFETY</u></b></p> <p>The BOT is working with OPUS, Taupo Police, NZTA, and TDC concerning road safety on Tihoi Road outside the school. If you are aware of any past incidents, please would you let the office know so we can inform the relevant authorities and raise the profile of this issue.</p>	
<p> Thanks to <b>William, Ollie &amp; Jack Robertson and Connor Perrott</b> who gave up some precious holiday time to rearrange furniture in classrooms and weed-wipe around the grounds. Much appreciated.</p>	<p>Happy new faces at Marotiri in 2019. Kora &amp; Marihi were unfortunately absent.</p> 	<p><b>Room 4 have been writing poems about themselves, and about Waitangi Day.</b>  <b><u>A Bio-poem about me!</u></b>          Lucas.          Friend of Kyjah.          Son of Henrietta and Niels.          Lover of my cat Diddle.          Who wonders about parrots. I would like to turn into a parrot when I am a scientist.          Who fears nothing.          Who feels happy when I am swimming.          Who would like some chocolate chips.          Lives on Tihoi Road.          Haak.</p>
<p><b>Appreciation to 'Lunchonline'</b> for the commission distribution of \$40.80 from families ordering Pita Pit Tokoroa lunches in December last. Well done!</p>	<p><b><u>HEAD LICE</u></b></p> <p>The reappearance of head lice has been reported. Please ensure you check your children's hair regularly and treat as appropriate. There are a number of recommended applications &amp; treatments available. If you require more information, please contact the office or your doctor/medical centre for a prescription.</p>	<p><b><u>My Bio-poem about me!</u></b>          Joel.          Friend of Richie.          Son of Karina and Hayden.          Lover of my Pokemon cards and science.          Who wonders about science and artists.          Who fears panthers.          Who feels happy playing with my Pokemon cards and Mum kissing me, it tickles.          Who would like to be a scientist and an artist.          Lives in Marotiri.          Brown.</p>
<p><b><u>BOXES OF TISSUES</u></b></p> <p>Our boxes of tissues store has been depleted and we are needing to restock our supplies for the new year. For those unsure of the process, we ask families to donate a box of tissues which are stored in the office &amp; distributed around the classes as required. Your contribution is very much appreciated &amp; not an onerous burden if shared by all families.</p>	<p><b><u>SCHOOL ABSENCES</u></b></p> <p>If your child is going to be absent from school, please advise the office by phone or via the absence link on our website: <a href="http://www.marotiri.school.nz">www.marotiri.school.nz</a>. If the school is <u>not notified</u>, the child is deemed truant &amp; marked accordingly.</p>	
<p><b><u>LOST PROPERTY</u></b></p> <p>If you are missing items of clothing, please come and check the lost property which has been cleaned and is now in 2 boxes waiting to be claimed. Some of this has been gathered over the holidays.</p>		

<p><b><u>Next Marotiri Messenger</u></b>          20 Feb, 6 &amp; 20 March</p>	<p><b><u>Kiwi Steps Preschool</u></b>  <b>42 Tihoi Rd Whakamaru</b>  <b>8.00am – 5.00pm</b>  <b>for all children 0 – 5 years</b>          Open school holidays.          Bicultural learning environment.          ECE, Primary and Te Kohanga Reo qualified teachers.          20 hrs FREE for 3 &amp; 4 year olds.  <a href="mailto:office@kiwisteps.co.nz">office@kiwisteps.co.nz</a>          (07) 8828 234 or 027 9330 368</p>	<p><b><u>WORKER AVAILABLE</u></b></p> <p>Window cleaning services, inside and out. Good rates. Ph: Rebecca 0273981774  <b>Experienced reliable relief milker.</b> Can start immediately. Ph: Rebecca 0273981774</p>
<p><b><u>BOT TRIENNIAL ELECTIONS 2019</u></b>  <i>NZSTA would like to encourage parent and whanau participation on school boards in order to help shape and support the education of their children. To that end, we will be rolling out the Korari Programme for anyone interested in finding out about standing for the school board elections and having a say in the education of their children. We have attached the following resources and feel free to share these widely in your community. These are also available on our website.</i></p> <p>1. <b>Korari:</b> a programme that provides you with governance training to help you understand the role of school boards of trustees.</p> <p><i>We will be rolling out information sessions for Korari in terms 1&amp;2</i></p> <p>2. <b>Korari form:</b> NZSTA will support anyone who advises us they are interested in becoming a trustee, by way of the workshops but also providing access to our Learning Management System where online modules re. school governance, student achievement etc. can be completed.</p> <p><i>Attached is a form for completion which can be emailed to <a href="mailto:korari@nzsta.org.nz">korari@nzsta.org.nz</a></i></p> <p>3. <b>Community member guide to the role of the board of trustees:</b> This explains a lot of commonly asked questions and information about becoming a trustee.</p>	<p><b><u>COUNTRY KIDZ ECE</u></b></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><b>Morning session 8.30am - 12.30pm</b>  <b>Full day session 8.30am - 3.30pm</b>          20 free ECE hours available for 2, 3 and 4 year olds - conditions apply.          Please contact us on 07 333 9111 or at <a href="mailto:countrykidz@xtra.co.nz">countrykidz@xtra.co.nz</a>          Centre Manager Sandra Evans</p>	<p><b><u>HOUSE AVAILABLE</u></b></p> <p>620 Tihoi Road. Three bedroom house available for short-term rent. Available now until 25 May. \$280 per week. Bond and tenancy references required. Inquiries to Michelle 021 2509757</p>
<p><b><u>Taupo Ironkidz</u></b>  <b>Sunday 24 February</b></p> <p>Come and join in with these two wonderful local events for kids. There are two events for different age groups.</p> <p><b>Splash n Dash</b> (5 to 7 year olds) - a splash in Lake Taupo and a dash along the waterfront.</p> <p><b>Triathlon</b> (7+) - a swim, bike and run (in and around Lake Taupo)</p> <p>We would love to see as many Marotiri children participating as possible. Enter online at <a href="http://www.ironkidz.co.nz/">http://www.ironkidz.co.nz/</a> Please see Mrs Firth if you have any questions.</p> <p><b><u>Go Girls Cricket</u></b></p> <p>Bay of Plenty Cricket are running a six week, after school programme for girls in Year 4 to 6 who are keen to give cricket a go. If you have a budding cricketer at home who is interested please see Mrs Firth for more details.</p>	<p><b><u>WHAKAMARU PLAYCENTRE</u></b>  <b>9.30 - 12:00 noon</b>  <b>Mondays &amp; Fridays</b>  <b>Corner Arataki &amp; Tihoi Roads.</b></p> <p>This is a free, parent-run programme for children aged 0-5 years.</p> <p>E: <a href="mailto:whakamaru.playcentre@gmail.com">whakamaru.playcentre@gmail.com</a>          Phone Lisa 07 2120025 or          Alley 027 3722858</p>	<p><b><u>FOR SALE</u></b>  <b>SWAN PLANTS</b></p> <p>Small \$1, large \$5. Orders taken at the office or phone 3728273.</p>
<p><b><u>Waitangi Day by Room 4.</u></b></p> <p>Way back in 1840 some Maori chiefs met English men who came to New Zealand. They decided to sign a treaty to say that they will be happy in New Zealand. They also promised to share the bush and all of the fish. They used a feather and dipped it in ink so they could sign the treaty. <i>By Connor</i></p> <p>On Waitangi day people met together and made a treaty and this is what it said in the treaty. To agree how New Zealand will be organised and to share the land, bush and fish in N.Z. and then they lived happily. <i>By Maple</i></p>	<p><b><u>2019 NETBALL SEASON</u></b></p> <p>Two workshops are being held next week for those players who are transitioning from 6 aside to 7 aside - plus any year 7 or 8's that are new to the game (and parents and coaches who need 7 aside info). Details below are also on our website and Facebook page.</p> <p><b><u>Introduction to the 7v7 Game – PLAYER WORKSHOP</u></b></p> <p>For those moving up from the 6v6 game (including parents and coaches)          Tuesday 12th February <b>OR</b>          Thursday 14th February          4 pm - 5.30 pm - no cost          Taupo Netball Centre          Please bring a pen, water bottle, shoes to play in. <b>MUST REGISTER</b>          ONLINE <a href="http://www.sporty.co.nz/tauponetball">www.sporty.co.nz/tauponetball</a>  <i>Jo Martin</i></p>	<p><b><u>WHAKAMARU GARDEN CIRCLE</u></b>  <b>Tuesday, 19 February 2019</b></p> <p>Huka Falls River Cruise departing 10.30am from the jetty at the Aratitia Dam. Cost \$30 includes 1 hour 20 minute cruise with complimentary coffee/tea. Should you wish to see the opening of the dam gates, this will happen at 10am. We will go to lunch at Lava Glass. Please let me know if you are going by email or phone message.  <i>Rio Rive, Phone 07 3788697, <a href="mailto:bruceandrio@xtra.co.nz">bruceandrio@xtra.co.nz</a></i></p>
<p><b>1569 Tihoi Road R D I Mangakino 3492</b></p>	<p><b><u>Room 6 Writing - ABOUT ME!</u></b></p> <p>I like to play hide and seek. <i>Lucy 5 yrs</i>          I like soccer. I like scoring goals. I like to play cricket with Keegan and my friends.  <i>Ollie 5 yrs</i>          I like hiding. <i>Kaiden 5 yrs</i>          I like to play on the playground. I like to go shopping for toys. <i>Kaysi 5 yrs</i>          I like swimming with Keegan and Liam. I like to play cricket with my brothers. <i>Jack 5 yrs</i>          I like Early words. It's fun to write. I like to play in the pool. <i>Hannah 5 yrs</i>          I like swimming in the pool. I like mum buying lollies for me. <i>Linay 5 yrs</i>          I like riding my bike. I like swimming.</p>	<p><b><u>Tri-sport Taupo KINLOCH TRIATHLON</u></b>  <b>9-10 February</b></p> <p>Please note some roads around Kinloch village will be closed from Saturday 9th 3.45-5.30pm, and Sunday 10th 6.00 am-3.30pm. Limited access for residents may be available. Please check <a href="http://www.kinlochtriathlon.org">www.kinlochtriathlon.org</a> or Race Director Arthur Corbett 027 451 4803 for map and further information.</p> <p> <b>Chrissy Metcalfe</b>          Teacher of Modern Style Piano, Keyboard and Theory. Yrs 1-8          Lessons in school time on Tuesdays  <i>Possible sibling share options</i>  <b>Ph: 07-377 4901 or</b>          022-106 5938  <b>Email: <a href="mailto:Clairmont.p@xtra.co.nz">Clairmont.p@xtra.co.nz</a></b></p> <p><i>Carlsin 5 yrs</i>          I like to glue stuff together. I like my mum buying lollies for me. <i>Carter 5yrs</i>          I like swimming in the pool.  <i>Shantay 5 yrs</i></p>