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Marotiri Messenger

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Kia ora Koutou,

Greetings to parents and
members of the Marotiri
School community,

As the landscape continues
to turn a darker shade of
gold, my thoughts are with
our farmers, as we await the
arrival of rain, sooner rather
than later. Meanwhile on the
flip side, the sunshine
provided us with a fabulous
fun-filled day at our annual
Kinloch picnic. Being the
first Marotiri picnic for several
of our teachers and myself,
we were proud to be part of
this fabulous event. Thank
you to everyone who joined
us for the day and made it
such a success.

I am pleased to welcome to
our staff, Colin Ottaway, our
new caretaker. Colin brings
with him many years'
experience as a school
caretaker in the Bay of
Plenty. I have no doubt, that
he will be a wonderful asset
to our school and
community.

We are completing the
appointment process for our
Administration Officer. As
with the caretaker position,
there has been a very strong
field of applicants. The
successful candidate will
work alongside Leith during
the transition period.

Our learning programmes
are well under-way,
beginning with a focus on
setting clear expectations for
learning outcomes, and
establishing expectation for
student behaviour. An
analysis of student data has

allowed us to establish
teaching groups, and put in
place targeted support
programmes for students
who need additional support
or extension.

We welcome Sharon de
Castro who has joined our
teaching staff for two terms
as a Resource Teacher in
Literacy. Whaea Sharon is
working with groups of
students four days a week to
consolidate literacy skills
and raise student
achievement through an
intensive writing
programme.

In addition, a literacy
facilitator will be visiting our
school to work alongside
teachers and students as
part of our 2019 MoE funded
'Write That Essay' Literacy
programme.

Amanda Fergusson has
joined us this year as a
Ministry Facilitator in
Mathematics and will be
working throughout the year
with teachers and groups of
students to further
strengthen Mathematics
pedagogy and teaching
practice.

Sue, Fee and Laura will be
part of a Ministry funded
Mathematics programme
this year. Accelerated
Learning in Mathematics
(ALiM) is a Programme for
Students, designed to
accelerate targeted student
achievement in
Mathematics.

Michelle, Arna and I will be
taking part in an *Incredible
Years Programme*, which is

run by the Resource
Teachers for Learning and
Behaviour, and is focused
on developing approaches
for enhancing positive
behaviour and creating a
positive learning
environment for students.

The senior class has
quickly adapted to their new
learning environment and
will soon be heading off on
an overnight tramp to the
Waihohonu Hut on the
lower reaches of Mt
Ruapehu as their first
Senior Student Leadership
challenge for the year.
Years 0-2 students are
looking forward to their
overnight camp next week,
while camps for Years' 3-8
will take place in Term 4.

Quote for the Week: *The
difference between ordinary
and extraordinary is that
little "extra;" and we at
Marotiri strive to bring out
the 'extra' in our students
and teachers.*

Ngā mihi

Rose Symes

Birthday celebrities this
issue are Kendell who
turns 10 on 22nd; Zach turns
8 on 24th; Charlie & Thomas
will be 11 on 25th; Scarlett
will be 10 on 25th; Jzharklan
turns 6 on 25th; Ruby turns 9 on
26th; Isla is 8 on 26th and
Shantay turns 6 on 26th;
Koby will be 10 on 4th
March.

Happy birthday to you all.



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Term 1
Week 4
Wednesday
20 February
2019

INTERACTION

THIS

FRIDAY

1.45pm

Hosted by

Room 1

Welcome




Layla Hoyle

to Room 6

Please note: the
school pool is
currently out of
commission.
See inside for
details.

NEXT BOT MEETING
Tuesday 26 February at 6.45pm

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| <p><u>TERM 1 INQUIRY</u> “Whanaungatanga” Exploring our cultural heritage</p> <p>Thank you to Keith & Kim Lane for raising & grazing a bull for Marotiri School. The proceeds amounted to \$1526.61 for the benefit of our children.</p> <p>Sincere thanks to Larry & Maria Perrott for the generous donation of two steers for the benefit of Marotiri School tamariki, amounting to \$3405.04. We are extremely grateful.</p> | <p><u>SKOOL LOOP APP</u> Have you downloaded the skool loop app? Receive notifications of events, cancellations, notices, newsletters, permission slips, absentees. Free download and choose Marotiri once installed</p> <p><u>DENTAL THERAPISTS</u> The dental therapists will be in school for a week or two, starting on Tuesday 26 February with a mobile screening van to check all children. They will then return with the mobile clinic for follow up later in the term. Pre-schoolers are also seen when the clinic is here.</p> | <p><u>Forthcoming Events</u></p> <p>23 Feb: Ironkidz Taupo 27 Feb School Swimming Sports 28-1 Mar: Years 1 and 2 camp at school 4 Mar: Postponement date Marotiri Swimming sports 5-6 Mar: Senior tramp Ruapehu 8 Mar: Pinelands Swimming Sports 19 & 21 March: SLC's 20 Mar: FOS lunch fundraiser</p> <p><u>KINLOCH PICNIC</u> A wonderfully clear warm day dawned for our 2019 school picnic at Kinloch. Families met in front of the hall on the domain before splitting into seniors and the rest. Seniors then met at the lake front in front of the shop where kayaks and canoes were being unloaded. The children spent over an hour on the water under instructions in rafting, crossing kayaks and grouping before heading out to the island. The water was calm when starting out but a bit of a chop saw them heading back to the lake front with a tail wind. Thank you to those who generously provided support, life jackets, kayaks and a canoe. See “Thumbs up”! The rest of the school enjoyed games on the Domain before embarking on a walk to the water wheel on the Whangamata stream. All gathered then for a mighty series of tug-o'-war before moving to the beach for lunch and a whole-school swim which was much appreciated in light of the searing 30°C afternoon temperature.</p> |
| <p>Congratulations to our House Leaders for 2019; Pakonui James Wylie & Jaz Wynn; deputies Charlie Kearins & Amelia Crocker Kaahu: Dylan Youle & Lexie Haycock; deputies Kellie Haycock & Trinity Chaffe Wereta: Rocio Dysart & James Rameka; deputies Maia Karaitiana & Isla Hilton Arataki: Nick Walters & Kate Briscoe; deputies Hayley Simpson & Nathan Fletcher Tihoi: Esther Scarlet & Caleb Fraser; deputies Aimee Fletcher & Thomas Kearins</p> | <p><u>WINTER SPORTS REGISTRATIONS ARE NOW OPEN</u> If your child/ren would like to be involved in the Taupo Winter Sports programmes, please have them ask for registration forms from the office; soccer and netball. Other codes, rugby and hockey can be accessed directly via their websites. Competition starts in April.</p> <p><u>SCHOOL POOL PLEASE NOTE</u> Due to the extreme heat and volume of swimmers, the school pool is currently out of action. We have been working with Taupo Pool World for the last week to resolve these issues. Unfortunately the Swimwell lessons have had to be postponed. We are hopeful these can be rescheduled at a later date. Families will be advised as soon as the pool is re-opened.</p> |   |
| <p><u>BUS MONITORS 2019</u> Kinloch: Nathan Fletcher, Maia Karaitiana, Kate Briscoe & Finn Riley. Southern: Anahera Adams, James Wylie, Noah Trautvetter & Jaz Wynn Northern: Grace Thomas-Humphrey, Nadine Gibbons, Dylan Youle & Nick Walters</p> | <p>As part of our Term 1 student inquiry 'Whanaungatanga, we would like to end the term with a celebration of learning by way of a <u>School and Community Hangi</u>. We are seeking people who would be willing to be part of an organising group. Please call the office 073728273, if you are able to help.</p> |  |
| <p>A big thank you, to all parents/ caregivers who helped the seniors with their kayaking adventure at the school picnic. It would not have been possible without you. We would like to extend a big thank you to the following people for their support: Josh and Rachel Crocker, Elliot Shaw, Tim Fletcher, Sarah Walters, Heather Kelly, Victoria Morgan, Murray and Leith Thomas, David Dysart, David Youle, Grant Sandford, Mel Gibbons and Russ Summerfield. Thank you also to the on-shore team.</p> | <p><u>ROOM 5 PICNIC STORIES</u> Yesterday I went swimming and I went to Kinloch for the picnic. The picnic was so awesome. We got popsicles. <i>By Logan</i> I liked the picnic. I liked tug o' war. I went for a swim at the picnic. <i>By Harix</i> I went to the picnic yesterday I went into the shade it was so hot. <i>By Annabell</i> I liked the tug o' war and swimming in the lake. I had a sausage for lunch. <i>By Elijah</i> Yesterday I went to the picnic. I liked the sausages and the swim too. <i>By Tyson</i> Yesterday I liked the walk and the swim in the lake at the picnic. <i>By Nixon</i> Yesterday I went to the picnic it was fun. I liked going for a walk too. <i>By Allie</i></p> | <p><u>Room 6 Stories</u> I like swimming in the lake. <i>By Linay</i> The frog has eyes and legs. <i>By Shantay</i> Smudge, my dog got out of my house. <i>By Kaysi</i> I like playing light touch. <i>By Eddie</i> I like playing outside in the dark. <i>By Carlsin</i></p> |
| <p><u>BOXES OF TISSUES</u> 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 & distributed around the classes as required. Your contribution is very much appreciated & not an onerous burden if shared by all families.</p>  | | <p><u>SCHOOL ABSENCES</u> If your child is going to be absent from school, please advise the office by phone or via the absence link on our website: www.marotiri.school.nz. If the school is not notified, the child is deemed truant & marked accordingly.</p> |

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| <p><u>Next Marotiri Messengers</u> 6 & 20 March</p> <p><u>BOT TRIENNIAL ELECTIONS 2019</u> <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. Korari: 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&2</i></p> <p>2. Korari form: 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 korari@nzsta.org.nz</i></p> <p>3. Community member guide to the role of the board of trustees: This explains a lot of commonly asked questions and information about becoming a trustee.</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>COUNTRY KIDZ ECE</u> 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 Sandra Evans</p> | <p><u>WORKER AVAILABLE</u> Window cleaning services, inside and out. Good rates. Ph: Rebecca 0273981774 Experienced reliable relief milker. Can start immediately. Ph: Rebecca 0273981774</p> <p><u>HOUSE AVAILABLE</u> 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><u>TAUPO IRONKIDZ</u> Sunday 24 February Come and join in with these two wonderful local events for kids. There are two events for different age groups. Splash n Dash (5 to 7 year olds) - a splash in Lake Taupo and a dash along the waterfront. Triathlon (7+) - a swim, bike and run (in and around Lake Taupo) We would love to see as many Marotiri children participating as possible. Enter online at http://www.ironkidz.co.nz/ Please see Mrs Firth if you have any questions. Go Girls Cricket Bay of Plenty Cricket are running a six week school programme for 10 girls in Year 4 to 6 who are keen to give cricket a go. There will be an interschool tournament in the last week of term. If you have a budding cricketer at home who is interested please see Mrs Firth for more details. Training sessions will begin this week.</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>TIHOI ROAD TRAFFIC SAFETY</u> 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 or recent incidents, please would you let the office know so we can inform the relevant authorities and raise the profile of this issue.</p> | <p><u>SITUATION VACANT</u> Tihoi Venture School Office Administrator Part time; School Term only Minimum 15 hours per week Based at Tihoi Venture School (50km west Taupo) Email CV and cover letter to c.smith@stpauls.school.nz Applications will be considered as received.</p> <p><u>GARDENER REQUIRED</u> Keen, reliable gardener wanted Kinloch area. Please phone Natalie 027 629 0208</p> |
| <p><u>BUS REMINDER</u> Buses leave 30 minutes earlier on a Friday. We have a half hour lunch break to compensate.</p> | <p><u>Kiwi Volleyball</u> A 5 week volleyball competition is starting shortly in <u>Taupo from 4-6pm on Friday afternoons</u>. Teams of 5 are required in either a Year 5/6 team or a Year 7/8. If you are interested in organising a group of players please see Mrs Firth. First game is March 8th. Register by March 1st.</p> | <p><u>SWEET CORN FOR SALE</u> The FOS will be selling sweetcorn at school Friday 1 March as a fundraiser. 2 for \$1 or 12 for \$5 First in first served so be quick.</p>  |
| <p><u>KIDS GREENING TAUPO</u> 2019 Student Leadership Team Applications close 1 March Open to Years 6-8 Check out the website www.kidsgreeningtaupo.org.nz</p> | <p><u>LOST PROPERTY</u> 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><u>Ironman Kids Fun Run</u> Friday March 1st 8am start, Taupo 750m, 1400m, or 2000m For children aged 5 to 12 years Finishers receive a t-shirt and medal Check out the website for more details. www.ironmannewzealand.com</p> |
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