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Marotiri Messenger

From the Principal's Desk

Kia ora Koutou,

Greetings to parents and
members of the Marotiri School
Community.

We welcome back Teuila who is
in Room 5 and welcome to Katie
who joins Room 6.

As Term 1 draws to a close, we
have the opportunity to reflect
on our term's achievements.
Student led conferences were
well supported with parents,
students and teachers coming
together to discuss student
achievement, and to establish
the next steps for students'
learning journeys. Thank you to
those parents who attended
these valuable conferences, and
to our teachers who gathered
together important information to
share with parents.

Friday's working bee attracted a
wonderful group of workers who
toiled away in our gardens and
grounds. We are now sporting a
brand new sandpit and ship-
shape gardens. Thank you to all
of those families who supported
the day by either releasing their
staff to come along, providing
manpower or baking.

A special thank you goes to
Grant and Anika Sandford and
Louette Breingan for
organising sponsors to donate
sand, timber and posts for the
sandpit; **Arna and Matt
Schultze** for providing their
digger to empty and demolish
the old sandpit; **Atiamuri Sand
and Pumice** for donating new
sand; **Tony McLaren
Contractor** for kindly delivering
the sand free of charge and to
Bunnings who donating much
of the timber. A huge shout out
to the generosity of these
people.

It is with mixed emotions that we
remind parents and members of
the community that this
Thursday at 12pm we have a
special assembly and shared
lunch to farewell Leith Thomas.
Leith has been Administration
Officer of Marotiri School for the
past 15 years, during which time

she has touched the lives of
countless students and their
families. On behalf of the
community, staff, students and
Board of Trustees, I would like
to thank Leith for the wonderful
contribution she has made to
Marotiri School. We wish her
every happiness in her
retirement and know that
Murray is looking forward to
having his number one ship-
mate join him for new sailing
adventures.

Anika Sandford and Heather
Kelly have settled quickly into
their shared roll as our new
office administrators under the
expert tutelage of Leith. We are
most fortunate to have two such
capable ladies take on this role.
Colin Ottaway, our new
caretaker has also settled
quickly into his role and has
already proven his weight in
gold in ensuring our grounds
and property are in good order.

It is with sadness that we also
farewell Hannah Foley next
week. Hannah has been a
valued member of our teaching
staff over the past year and will
be missed by all staff and the
students in Room 2. She is
returning to the UK at the end
of her work visa. We wish her
every happiness and hope to
see her back here before too
long. There will be a special
interaction to farewell Hannah
next week.

On a celebratory note, we
congratulate Fee Holdsworth on
her sporting prowess. Fee was
part of the ladies relay team
who won the recent Ring of Fire
72km race around Mt Ruapehu.
Fee is a true inspiration to us
all. Well done.

Our first terms' student inquiry,
Whanaungatanga, draws to a
close next week with a
celebration of student learning.
School families are invited to
visit classrooms at 10.20 and
11.30, to view student
presentations. The day will
conclude with a 'cultural
celebration' dinner with families

providing plates of shared food
which represent their culture,
accompanied by a lamb on the
spit, South African Braai and
Hangi steamed vegetables and
chicken, followed by music
entertainment.

Thank you to those who have
offered donations of food, help
to prepare for our shared feast,
and to Cyn Smith for providing
a steamer for our hangi
vegetables.

We continue to offer students
a range of curriculum support
programmes in Mathematics
and Writing with the support of
Ministry and COL funded
facilitators. Next term we
implement a Ministry funded
Accelerated Learning in
Mathematics (ALiM)
programme for students. Sue
Stimpson, as our COL within-
school teacher, supports
teachers to further strengthen
their mathematics
programmes, while a
Resource Teacher of Literacy,
works daily with groups of
students to strengthen their
writing capability.

Quote of the week: *He rangi tā
matawhāiti, he rangi tā
matawhānui. 'A person with
narrow vision has a restricted
horizon; a person with wide
vision has plentiful
opportunities'.* At Marotiri
School we are committed to
providing students with a wide
range of learning experiences.

Ngā mihi

Rose Symes

Birthday Celebrities this issue;
Annabell turns 6 on the 4th,
Quahntayzha turns 9 on the
9th April, Bailee & Oscar turn 9
on the 11th, Rocio turns 13 on
the 24th, RJ turns 8 on the 25th,
Liam turns 8 on the 27th,
James & Nicholas turns 10 on
the 28th.

Happy birthday to you all.

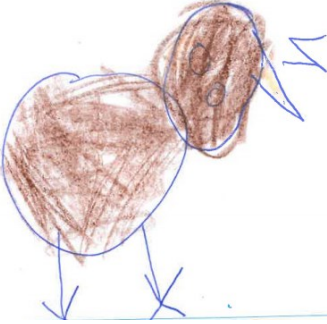

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Term 1
Week 10
Wednesday 3rd
March 2019

Interaction
this Friday
1.45pm
Hosted by the
Senior Studio

End of Term 1
Friday
12th April
Normal 2.30pm
finish

Next Marotiri
Messenger
7th May, Term 2

Term One Inquiry “Whanaungatanga” Exploring our cultural heritage		
What’s On This Term 4 April 12pm Leith Thomas’s Farewell 5 April Mobile Dental Clinic at School 7 April Daylight Savings Ends 11 April Cultural Celebration Evening & Musical Entertainment 12 April End of Term 1		
LEITH THOMAS FAREWELL 12pm Thursday 4th April All families and community members are invited to join us for a special presentation by the students at the hall 12pm to farewell Leith who has been our Administration Officer for 15years. This will be followed by a shared lunch. Please bring a plate to share on this special occasion. If your child has a food allergy please bring a labelled plate indicating if the food is egg free, nut free, dairy free etc. We will have a specific table of food for these children.	FOS Lunch Fundraiser Thank you The recent Friends of the School lunch held 20th March organised by Cyn, Bryony and Elizabeth was a great success. Thank you to parents: Michelle Hine, Kelly Fraser, Nicola Anderson and Lisa Wanger who provided delicious baking and thank you to the school families who purchased lunches to support the FOS Fundraiser.	Working Bee  Thank you to Grant Sandford & Willie Smith, Yolandi Nortje & Annika, Guy Pennington & Steph Russell, David Dysart, Mark & William Robertson, Nanda Tour-nier, Sarah Walters, Hayley Williams, Nic & Tony Chamberlin, Peter La-Tour & Li-onel Bras. All of whom have donated their time to help keep Marotiri School spic ‘n’ span. Thank you to parents who sent along baking. Thank you also to Richard & Shelley Simpson and Lara Davies who completed jobs over the weekend. Thank you to the following businesses for supporting Marotiri School: Atiamuri Sand & Pumice donated the sand for the sandpit. Tony McLaren Contracting who transported the sand at no cost. Matt Schultze for the use of his digger & time to dig out the sandpit. Bunnings donated much of the wood for the sandpit.
	Room 6 Writing The kiwi is brown. A kiwi has black and white eyes. 	Room 5 Writing The Little Yellow Digger broke the sandpit on Thursday and we got to watch it. By Holly The Little Yellow Digger busted the sandpit, so they took the old sand out and put it in the long jump pit. Then they will put the new sand in the sandpit today. By Jzharklan. The Little Yellow Digger destroyed the sandpit and they took the wood. They are going to make another sandpit. By Harix. The Little Yellow Digger was on the sandpit because we need a new sandpit and it was on Thursday. By Allie. The Little Yellow Digger broke the sandpit. They are going to make another one and a bigger one. By Quinn. The Little Yellow Digger smashed the sandpit. They put some new wood and new sand in to make a new sandpit. By Tyson
CULTURAL CELEBRATION EVENING Thursday 11th April 5.30pm Dinner start 6.30pm Music Entertainment (A FOS Disco will now be held in Term 2) Dinner will include steamed Hangi vegetables & meats , Spit Roast Meats, Sth African Braai and shared plates from school families. We need final attendance numbers for catering purposes and confirmation of food donations by 9am Thursday 4th. Thank you to the families who have offered food donations and help with preparation. We will confirm offers of help and items donated on Friday 5th.		
Thank you to the Tihoi Venture School for donating a whiteboard to Room 5. 		
Thank you from Room 4 Room 4 would like to thank Anna Webber, Rebecca Frantzets, Amelia Bassett, Roxanne Bassett, Sean Meyer and Louette Breingan for taking us on our trip to Taupo last week. We visited the Taupo Museum and library and went to see the carving of Ngatoro-i-rangi and had our many wonderings answered. 		
Library Books Please return all library books, Journals and Readers before the end of term for shelving.		
 Matt Schultze with his yellow digger		
Congratulations Fiona Holdsworth  Fiona and her team won the Ring of Fire Volcanic Ultra 72km Relay Women’s Champions 2019		
Pita Pit Lunch Orders Tuesday 9th April will be the last Pita Pit Lunch delivered to Marotiri School. Pita Pit Tokoroa are unable to continue supplying lunch orders for Marotiri School. Thank you to Pita Pit Tokoroa for supporting Marotiri School and to our school families who have bought Pita Pit lunches.		

Pinelands Cluster Swimming Sports 2019 Potato Race 1 st Marotiri School Relay - Girls 1 st Marotiri School Flutter-board Competition 3 rd Marotiri School Year 4 Girls Freestyle 1 2 nd Kyra Sherman, 3 rd Storm Webber Year 4 Girls Breaststroke 1 2 nd Kyra Sherman Year 4 Girls Backstroke 1 2 nd Mischa Brass, 3 rd Lana Breignan Year 4 Boys Breaststroke 1 3 rd Johnny Walker Year 4 Boys Backstroke 1 3 rd Johnny Walker Year 5 Girls Freestyle 1 3 rd Jacqui Simmonds Year 5 Girls Breaststroke 2 2 nd Grace Harcourt, 3 rd Jacqui Simmonds Year 5 Girls Backstroke 1 1 st Grace Harcourt, 3 rd Caroline Pepper Year 5 Girls Breaststroke 1 2 nd Jacqui Simmonds Year 5 Boys Backstroke 1 1 st Jaygar Lee, 2 nd Mathew Crocker, 3 rd Keegan Firth Year 5 Boys Freestyle 1 2 nd Mathew Crocker Year 5 Boys Freestyle 2 2 nd Matthew Crocker, 3 rd Keegan Firth Year 5 Boys Breaststroke 1 1 st Keegan Firth, 2 nd Mathew Crocker Year 6 Girls Freestyle 2 2 nd Amelia Crocker Year 6 Girls Freestyle 1 (Heat 2) 2 nd Amelia Crocker Year 6 Girls Breaststroke 1 (Heat 2) 1 st Maisy Breignan, 2 nd Isla Hilton Year 6 Boys Breaststroke 1 2 nd Cam Walters, 3 rd Finn Riley Year 7 Girls Freestyle 2 1 st Kellie Haycock, 2 nd Lexie Haycock Year 7 Girls Breaststroke 1 1 st Kellie Haycock Year 7 Girls Backstroke 1 1 st Kellie Haycock Year 7 Girls Freestyle 1 1 st Kellie Haycock Year 7 Boys Backstroke 1 (Heat 2) 1 st Nathan Fletcher Year 7 Boys Breaststroke 1 3 rd Thomas Kearins Year 8 Girls Freestyle 2 2 nd Rocio Dysart Year 8 Girls Freestyle 1 2 nd Rocio Dysart Year 8 Girls Breaststroke 1	Kiwi Steps Preschool 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	WORKER AVAILABLE Window cleaning services, inside and out. Good rates. Experienced reliable relief milker. Can start immediately. Ph: Rebecca 027 398 1774.
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COUNTRY KIDZ ECE 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 countryskudz@xtra.co.nz Centre Manager: Sandra Evans		
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MAROTIRI SCHOOL RELIEF CLEANER If you would like to offer your services as a relief cleaner at Marotiri School, please phone the school office 07 3728273 or Elizabeth 07 8828 123.		
BOT TRIENNIAL ELECTIONS 2019 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.		
1. Korari: a programme that provides you with governance training to help you understand the role of school boards of trustees. We will be rolling out information sessions for Korari in Terms 1 & 2. 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. 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.		
URGENT APPEAL FOR BOXES OF TISSUES Thank you to those who have already donated boxes of tissues for class use. 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. 		
Seeking Volunteers for Classrooms Volunteers are needed to support our junior classrooms with learning. This will involve listening to children read, supporting maths activities and other activities. Please contact the office on 073728273 for further details.		
WAIKATO REGIONAL COUNCIL Drop-in days To discuss Healthy Rivers/Wai Ora Proposed Plan Change 1. These will be held at the South Waikato Vet Clinic in Whakamaru from 10 – 2pm on the following days: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ♦ 7th April, ♦ 15th May ♦ 12th June. These Drop-in days are for farmers in the area to come and have a chat. Katherine Glasgow Sustainable Agriculture Advisor. 072132617 or 021719525		