

WELCOME TO ... 2015

Our Theme for this year is *Making Connections*

This will build on and further explore our previous themes of Pushing the Boundaries, Bouncing Back and Making a Difference.

We want to explore Making Connections in a number of ways throughout the year – Making greater *connections* with our own learning – how we learn best, greater *connections* with our parents - further develop how you can participate in your child's learning, *connections* with our local community, *connections* within bicultural Aotearoa, *connections* nationally and internationally.

It was great to see so many of you able to join us for our Meet the Teacher evening on Wednesday. If you were unable to make it please don't hesitate to contact the teachers and catch-up with what they shared.

We have a number of new children and their families to welcome to Upper Moutere School; Leah, Grace and Ollie Werner, Finn Wilgar, Vicky and Harry Stratford, Mostyn Lattimer, Matai Arnott, Monique Manley, Jessica Perry and Kempfer Koroi. We hope you enjoy being part of our learning community.

A special welcome too, to Kirsty McLeod who is teaching in Ramaroa 5, working closely with Fleur. Kirsty comes to us from teaching in Tapawera.

The Upper Moutere Team 2015 is

- *Jaki and Rachael - Marama NE- Y3*
- *Julianne and Todd - Turama Y3-5*
- *Kirsty and Fleur/Victoria - Ramaroa Y5-8*
- *Maia – SENCO*
- *Cathy - Classroom release teacher*
- *Olivia, Julia, Carolyn, Yvette - Teacher Aides*
- *Vanessa – Sports Co-ordinator*
- *Saree- Office Administration*
- *Grant – Principal*

As I mentioned last week our Senior students are the official flag bearers for the three World Cup Cricket games to be held here in Nelson. This is quite an honour and a commitment with a 2 hour rehearsal the day prior to each game. Fleur has been juggling the transport and parent support to achieve this over the past week and it looks like it is all panning out...thanks everyone for making this happen. Enjoy the cricket!

This year we have been offered (and accepted) teacher support each week in the teaching of fundamental Physical Education skills. This is completely free for us as a school as it funded through Grants etc sought by Matt Watson the instigator of this programme. Each week we will have Karla work with our teachers to provide fundamental skills sessions as well as provide extra needs based programmes for identified students.

This year we intend to consider the introduction of (Bring Your Own Device), looking at possible ways we may see this working at Upper Moutere School in the future.

Every five years a Principal is able to apply for a ten week sabbatical, which in effect is leave for a term. The purpose of this sabbatical is to refresh/recharge, reflect, research. I have been successful in my application and therefore will be away from school for Term three this year. Todd will be Acting Principal during my absence.

I am going to look further at collaborative teaching as well as have some time travelling.

Here's to a fantastic year...

Regards,

Grant and the team at Upper Moutere School

Weet-Bix Kids Tryathlon - Sunday 8th March 2015

Last chance for registrations. Open for ages 7 to 15yrs! Either enter or as a team with UMO School. If we get 15 or more students entered through school, we could win a number of awesome prizes! See Saree for a registration form

Vanessa Mairs
Sports co-ordinator

MUSIC TUITION 2015

The music programme is underway for 2015. If you wish to make any changes, please contact the office or Sheree immediately.

Jim Young has a few places available on a Monday at School for Guitar ph;03-5289775. Please contact Jim for times and availability.

Dates for your Diary

16 th Feb +	World Cup Cricket Week
16 th Feb	Weetbix Tryathlon registrations close
9 th Feb	Bus Warden Training
20 th Feb	UMO Tryathlon
17 Feb	BOT Meeting
23 rd Feb	Ruby Bay – Marama
23 rd Feb	Y7/8 Beach Day Kaiteriteri
24 th Feb	Moutere Hills Swimming Sports (Snr)
26 th Feb	Ruby Bay Rocky Shore Reports go Home
6 th March	School Open Day
19 th March	Kids Lit Quiz
2 nd April	Term 1 Ends
3 rd April	Easter
20 th April	Term 2 begins
20-24 Apr	Marahau Camp Y4-6

PUPIL OF THE WEEK - Term 1 13th February

Marama

Caleb Cook for a strong start to the new year in Marama. You come to school organised and ready for action with the biggest smile on your face.

You're a leader in the making.

Lily Woods; We were so impressed to receive a photo of you reading day one of your holidays! It's no wonder you're such a star at reading. You made our day!

Turama

Cooper Russell - It is great to see you making connections and making people in Turama, especially those who are new to our space, feel so welcome and happy. Good on you!

Ruby Smith - For an excellent start to the year! Ruby you are showing great responsibility for your learning! Way to go!



Tevita Koroi - Your literacy light is burning bright Tevita! We are super impressed with your reading and how you make connections between the pictures and text.

Ramaroa 5

Taj Wilson-Keen; Taj has switched on his active learning light and is engaged and actively contributing to class discussions. A great start to the year!

Ramaroa 6

Kari Brown; What a fantastic start to the term. I love the way you are mixing in with the year 7's, you always look for ways of being helpful to both myself and others. Kari you show our school values of respect, responsibility and pride. Keep it up!


Principal's Awards
13th February
Cooper Russell – for making connections with our new students.
Aiden Burke – for being responsible, showing respect and pride.


ADMIN

The school bank account number for those wishing to pay fees by direct credit is Westpac Bank: 030751 -0223547-00

A few reminders:

CONTACT / MEDICAL DETAILS

It is important for the safety of your child that our records are current. Please advise us of any changes to contact details and medical information as soon as possible. If you're not sure what details we have on record for your child, please contact the office.

Parking is NOT permitted in the driveway at the front of the school. This is a DROP OFF ZONE only. Please park in the designated parking areas, in the parking area at the church grounds, or in the parking area opposite the shop. Thanks for your cooperation.

COMMUNITY ORAL HEALTH SERVICE CONTACT DETAILS;

Richmond; 5395320
Motueka & Tasman Mobile Clinic; 5281160 x7

Lunch Orders:

Lunch orders are available on Mondays and Fridays from the UMO Store. Please send money in a named envelope with order on the outside. If possible please enclose correct change.

RAMAROA Sausage Sizzle

Ramoroa 6 will begin their weekly camp fundraising sausage sizzle next Thursday (19th) still \$2.00!. This year, juicies will also be available at a cost of \$1.50. Send the order slip to school with payment on Thursday morning.

Community Notices

Tools for Parents starting at Motueka Family Service Centre on 23 February. See noticeboard for details
Contact Phillipa Adams phillipamfsc@xtra.co.nz or Sheryl 5280234.
Incredible Years starting at Motueka Family Service Centre on 3 March
Registration and enquiries to Phillipa Adams phillipamfsc@xtra.co.nz or Blyda Mackey blyda.mackey@xtra.co.nz or phone 5280234

JUNIOR SPORT at ACTION INDOOR SPORTS - Calendar Term 1

Monday Primary & Intermediate TENPIN Bowling leagues
Win your own Despicable Me Tenpin Bowling Kit
Thursday INDOOR SOCCER 5-8 years
Friday Junior Netball : Primary / Intermediate
Friday Junior Soccer : Primary / Intermediate / College
Cost: \$50 pp Term (all players received free \$42 family bowling pass)

when paid and joined.

Tel: Vicky 543-8222

Email: nelson@actionindoorsports.com

Moana Stand Up Paddleboards –Yummy Mummy Paddle.

Drop the kids off at school then come for a paddle at Tahuna, bring a group or a girlfriend to the RED Tent on the beach, Monday to Friday, only \$30 for 2 people for 1 hour. To book please call **0508 MOANA NZ**.



Did you know?

Holidays are over and our oral health staff is once again looking forward to providing **FREE** care for your children's teeth. You will be contacted to make an appointment time which suits **you**. If your child is not enrolled; your contact details have changed; you have concerns about their teeth or when their next visit is due – **give your clinic a call**. If the appointments time no longer suits, you have transport problems or are going to be late, please phone us so another child can be seen. All clinics are open 8-5pm Monday - Friday and are listed below. **'Healthy Smiles'** require regular dental check-ups!

REGULAR UPDATES FROM THE NELSON MARLBOROUGH COMMUNITY ORAL HEALTH SERVICE

NELSON: 539 5324- STOKES: 539 5321- RICHMOND 539 5320
MOTUEKA & TASMAN MOBILE CLINIC 528 1160 X7.
BLenheim & MARLBOROUGH MOBILE CLINIC 5209922



Motueka Junior Football Club Registrations.

Girls and boys 4-18years

Join a growing and competitive club. We field both competitive and development teams in most grades.

Register on Friday 20th Feb 4pm to 6pm or Saturday 21st Feb 10am to 12pm at Memorial Park Club Rooms on Pah St. You can also register now online at motuekafootball.co.nz.

Any queries please contact or Stacey 5285256 or 0272292010 or James 528 6005 or 0212172211

The research aims to compare the effects of different types of nutrition labels on household food shopping choices. Volunteers living anywhere in New Zealand and who own a smartphone can take part. Study participants will receive up to \$90: a \$10 voucher at week 1 and \$80 voucher on completion of the 5-week study and questionnaire.

Please find a flyer with more information inserted below, and you can also find it on our website:

<https://diet.auckland.ac.nz/content/starlight>

Messy Church event ; 5pm-7pm on Tuesday 17 February.

The theme is 'A New Beginning'. Fun activities, free meal. Children under 14 years must be accompanied by an adult. This event is put on by St Thomas Anglican Church, Motueka, 101 High Street, Motueka. Please phone 528 8825 for more information.

Little Picasso's Art School

Register NOW for Term One Classes (6 sessions)

Juniors 5-8 years: Monday or Wednesday 3:30 - 4:30

Seniors 9-upwards: Monday or Wednesday 4:30 - 5:30

Classes begin on Monday 16 Febuary/Wednesday 18 February - Cost \$70.00

For more information contact: Johnna Alborn 027 503 4418 or 5284965

www.littlepicassos.co.nz

FUTSAL – develop and enhance your skills and touch as well as enjoying fun five-a-side football.

Futsal Leagues starting at Saxton Stadium 13 Feb to end of term 1 – Fridays 4-7pm

Register as a team of 6 players

For Year 6 to Year 13 (ages 10 to 17)

Cost \$3 per player per game

Enquiries to Ben Wright 022 0253314 Futsal Development Officer, Nelson Bays Football

Registrations to Diane.Maisey@mainlandfootball.co.nz

Get Moving Carnivelo, 13 February 4-9pm

Pack your bikes, pack a picnic and make an evening of it at Trafalgar Park, Nelson. Carnivelo is a celebration of cycling and includes bike decoration, a bike skills course plus Runner Bike races and other novelty bike events for kids. There is plenty to do for adults too, including riding the City Cross course, displays at the bike expo plus live music. Free entry. Go to www.carnivelo.co.nz for more.

Check out all the other events that are part of Bikefest Nelson - go to

www.bikefestnelson.co.nz

NBS Family Adventure Ride – Kaiteriteri Mountain Bike Park Sunday 15th February

Mountain Bike Adventure ride for the whole family. Get an introduction to the family-friendly Kaiteriteri Mountain Bike Park with this ride through the easier tracks in the park. Along the way learn about our conservation efforts, and back by popular demand is the Paintball Pest Shoot (supervised, no real animals will be harmed in this shoot!) and finish it off with a free ice cream back in the newly upgraded Skills Zone
Registration from 9.30am. Ride starts at 10am. \$5 per child, adults free (must be accompanied by a child).

A fun pump-track shoot out starts after the ride.

KIDS CLASSES @ Ruby Blue Mapua 2015

Brain Gym group sessions (Kerri Bainbridge)

Brain Gym helps with the physical skills needed for learning. This class focuses on simple and fun movements to assist learning, balance and coordination. www.braingymnelson.com

Monday's 4-5pm, suitable for 6-11 yr olds, 1 hour

\$64 for 8 weeks (limited to 6 children per class)

www.braingymnelson.com Email Kerri to book bainbridgeka@gmail.com or 0210781336

Art with Seija and Lindsey—all skills levels

Term focus: Great Beautiful Art, exploring the relationship between art and nature.

Tuesday 4-5pm in the art studio, \$8 per class/\$64 term, limited to 15

Contact Seija at rubbyblustudio@gmail.com

Kids Drama, Speech and Theatre (Saramia)

Focus: theatre sports & improvisation, scripts & plays, masks, clowning, film, speech work, poetry, public speaking and lots of fun!!!

Contact Saramia for times [021 0584726](tel:0210584726), \$10 per class/ \$80 term

Clay Creations (Lindsey Furlong-Taylor).

Theme: Capturing the green and beautiful land of New Zealand in a variety of coil pot forms. **Thursday's** 4-5 pm, \$8 per class/\$64 term

Contact Seija at rubbyblustudio@gmail.com

Also inquire about:

Kids Yoga: Contact Marina.... marinadenda@hotmail.com

Music, singing and Guitar lessons: Sophie 027 411 5972

MAPUA COMMUNITY HALL - LOW TIDE FUNDRAISER

Sunday 1 March Ruby Coast Fun Run/Walk

\$10 adults \$5 students \$25 family price

Registrations from 9.45

Warm Up Event – Wheelbarrow race

Spot prizes, Sausage Sizzle

See notice board for further details