

Dear Parents & Caregivers

We have welcomed Daytona to Marama recently. As she is a year 8 sadly she will only be with us for a short time, we hope she enjoys being part of our team.

Last night the opening of Our Fibre Exhibition was held at the Old Post Office. The exhibition will continue for the next two weeks so you have an opportunity to view the artworks created by our Year 6, 7 and 8 students. Fleur Woods has been working with the students since February thanks to a successful application to Creatives in Schools. Fleur has shared her passion for stitch and our students have shown real determination to achieve an artwork that tells a personal story.

You may have seen that you can now access a couple of comments on your child's progress in Reading and General through the @ School App. Check out the Spotlight or Learning Space Tabs. We have purposely written the comments directly to your child as we believe any feedback should be for them in the first instance as they take responsibility for their learning. Most students will have also shared their voice in relation to our Learning Light Value, Responsibility and this will be found in the same tabs. Rachael's class have not done this as unfortunately she has been on leave this past week. Some senior students may have a Mathematics comment too as Toby and Heidi have been trialling adding some evidence to a comment with a small group. Next term you will continue to receive regular comments across all our Learning Lights via this App. We will hold Student Led Conferences in Week Three of next term. So please keep Wednesday 5th August free for this.

Our building work has had a few hiccups due to the weather recently and some products being held up due to the lockdown. It may still be possible to have our opening of these spaces at the end of our first week back, but we may need to be flexible on this. Our painting contractors will be in next week to undertake their annual touch up and repaint of any exterior areas that need attention. Kidz Klub Holiday Programme will be in Marama over these holidays.

Speaking of holidays, today sees the end of a very strange term. We are looking forward to returning next term to school as we usually know it. I am encouraging my team to have a real break from school over the next two weeks. The last holidays were thrust upon them and were spent preparing for 'Distance Learning' a concept none of us had contemplated before. Though this has officially been a 12 week term it has in reality been 22 weeks with a very weird period in the midst of it!

Next term, we have several interschool sporting opportunities on the calendar. Vanessa will be in to teach tennis skills, we host the annual Year 7&8 Speech Competition, we have our annual performance by New Zealand Playhouse scheduled and we have our two weeks of swimming lessons at the ASB Aquatic Centre booked for later in the term... it should be another good one...oh and our School Theme, 'Imagine and Create' is going to have an e-learning focus. Using e-learning tools to both enhance our learning and /or produce our learning.

Have a great break everyone.

*Noho ora mai
Grant & the team at Upper Moutere School*

Dates for your Diary	
20 July	Term 3 Begins
3 Aug	Dental Bus Visits
20 Aug	Junior Winter Tournament
21 Aug	Senior Winter Tournament
27 Aug	NZ Playhouse
28 Aug	Interschools Cross Country
31 Aug	Aquatic Centre Swimming begins
2 Sept	Speech Competition
4 Sept	Kids Lit Quiz
16 Sept	EPro-8
17 Sept	School Photos
23 Sept	Y5-6 Book Quiz

Pupil Awards

Ramaroa iti

Leo; for consistently showing our values of Responsibility, Respect and Pride. You are a great role model to have in class Leo, Congratulations we are so proud of you.

Ramaroa nui

Riley your Literacy Light has become so very bright. I am enjoying listening to you read so confidently with so much expression. Super well done to you!

Harper; Welcome to you Harper. You have had a great start to Upper Moutere School and have given everything a go this week. Well done.

Cullen you certainly used your Creative Light to the max building your robot this week.

Turama

Leam: For showing effort and persistence during our Inspirational week of Maths. You worked hard in solving the Four 4s problem.

Monique: For your preparation and effort during our class debates. You showed great persuasive power.

Lucy F: For showing effort and persistence during our Inspirational week of Maths. You worked hard to share your thinking on Pascal's triangle.

Marama

Brecon – Tino pai rawa atu! Your literacy learning this term has been excellent. You have stepped up to the challenge and standard of year 8 expectations and are really applying yourself in this area. Keep it up!

Mya – It is good to see you trying so hard with your team play this term Mya. You are rehearsing, joining in and growing in confidence. Ko mau te wēhi!

Lily W – It is so amazing to see you taking on new challenges with enthusiasm. You are developing as a

I loved seeing the focus and enjoyment on your face as you pieced it together bit by bit.

Soren your enthusiasm to write each day seems to inspire everyone to write in our space. You certainly use your imagination well and this makes your stories so much fun to read. What a Star!

Khem: You have made good progress in your persuasive writing. You showed confidence during your speech and debate.

Emilia: For your effort in making good choices in class. It makes such a difference when you try your best and show our values.

Alex, Zac, Amira & Phoebe E: For your outstanding focus during novel reading and 'drop everything and read' times. It's awesome seeing you enjoying reading!

leader and your numerate light is shining especially bright!

Tevita – It is awesome to see you stepping up in your Literacy learning Tevita – you clearly understood the success criteria and worked hard to achieve the expected standard – mahi whakamiharo Tevita – awesome work!

Isla – For your work on persuasive writing. You took on board feedback and learnt from it showing responsibility for your learning, particularly in your presentation.

Principal Awards

Alex S for the confidence he showed as presenter at Learning Celebration. I did not know Alex had such a presence.

Sophie F – I was really impressed by the leadership Sophie took in presenting at Our Fibre Exhibition. Her confident light and Literate Light were on full beam!

Sports

Upper Moutere have registered four teams in the miniball competition next term. Thanks to all the coaches and managers for your support to enable this to happen. Good luck for the season.

Hockey will run again next term. Please let us know if your children would like to continue playing.

Volleyball also starts next term, look out for details coming soon. Allan will be in to hold some coaching sessions in the first week of term.

Activkidz Swim School @ Mapua Chalets is offering a special introductory offer for this year's new entrant pupils. Term 3 lessons are being offered at ½ price. Ring 03-5403316 or email swimschool@mapuachalets.co.nz to make a booking. Term 3 classes commence on 27th July.



invites Year 8 students,
their parents/caregivers to our

Open Evening

Tuesday 4th August 2020

commencing at 6.30 pm
in the School Hall

Come along to experience the many
rich opportunities available to
your son or daughter including our
new Te Whare Taikura o Te Maatu

Self-Paced tours available

See you there

Today's Learners, Tomorrow's Leaders



Up-coming activities for the kids at Moutere Hills Community Centre

We have some great activities on offer for the children over the July School Holidays. Check them out below:

TUESDAY 7TH JULY

JUST GYM

Come along for a fun gymnastic session with Linda Mace. Numbers are limited!

Sessions are as follows;

9:10 - 9:50am	Under 2 years	\$5	1:00 - 2:00pm	5 - 8 years	\$13
10:00 - 10:50am	2 - 3 years	\$7	2:00 - 3:30pm	9 - 12 years	\$18
10:50 - 11:40am	3 & 4 years	\$10			

To book email: just.gym@xtra.co.nz or phone Linda on 0276189803.

WEDNESDAY 8TH JULY

TENNIS HOLIDAY FUN WITH VANESSA

Fun tennis opportunity for all abilities. Technical & tactical focus with games and ball machine.

9:00am - 12:00pm	For 5 - 8 years	\$30
12:00pm - 3:00pm	For 9 years +	\$30

To register email tennisvanessa1@gmail.com

WEDNESDAY 8TH JULY

ART AND CRAFT WITH HELENA

Come along and enjoy creating some great works of art under the instruction of Helena, a talented local artist!

10:00am - 12noon For 6 - 10 years old \$25 includes all materials

You will be making Rainbow Mandela's and Pastel Batik

1:00pm - 4:00pm For 10 years + \$35 includes all materials

You will be making Funky Mandela's, Pastel Batik and Graffiti Art

Numbers strictly limited! To book email: enquiries@mouterehills.org.nz or ph: 5432516

TUESDAY 14TH JULY SWEET TREATS WITH CINDY

Join Cindy in making some yummy treats to share and to take home..

9:00am - 11:00am For 5 - 8 years \$20 includes ingredients

11:30am - 1:30pm For 9 years + \$20 includes ingredients

Numbers strictly limited! To book email: enquiries@mouterehills.org.nz or ph: 5432516

THURSDAY 16TH JULY DANCE FUN

A fun class learning a variety of dance moves and exploring different dance genres!

9:00am - 11:00am For 5 - 8 years \$10

11:30am - 1:30pm For 9 years + \$10

Numbers strictly limited! To book email: enquiries@mouterehills.org.nz or ph: 5432516

There are also some great workshops happening in the first half of term 3!

Table Tennis School Holiday Program July 2020

Tuesday 7th, Thursday 9th, Tuesday 14th and Thursday 16th, 09:30 – 12:00 at Saxton Table Tennis Stadium. Cost is only \$5 per session or \$15 for all four sessions. Bats and balls provided. Bring something to eat and drink for a short break at half time. For further information phone Ted 027 522 0979.