NEWSLETTER 16 June 2017

Dear Parents & Caregivers

SCHOOL

This week as you are aware we had Sally and Debbie from the Education Review Office undertaking an external evaluation of our school. After three days of intense scrutiny they reported back to the Board and Staff their findings. These will now be moderated and collated into a final report that will become public in a couple of months.

Some observations that Sally and Debbie shared that may or may not be included in the final report:

- They had never been greeted by a Mihi Whakatau with a 'flashmob' waiata from the whole school appearing from gardens. In fact, each day they were here they mentioned how special it was.
- There is a positively embraced Bicultural perspective across our school with a curriculum that is designed to prepare our children for their future
- · Our achievement data shows very positive outcomes and keeps improving each year
- We have effective programmes and strategies in place to accelerate achievement of our priority learners.
- · Our vision and values, through our learning lights, is obviously known and lived by all
- · Our students are confident, respectful and know about their learning and take responsibility for it.
- Our collaborative teaching and learning environments are extremely effective, enabling greater flexibility in teaching and learning with positive outcomes in achievement.
- · Collaboration in leadership, in teaching and in learning and an inclusive, caring, empathetic culture is evident.
- They also commented very favourably on the positive planned developments that the school has achieved since our last review five years ago, noting that the school is future focussed and has high expectations.

It can be daunting having an external audit but it is also reassuring to have an outside perspective that affirms we are on track and confirms we are making a significant difference for our children.

Next week has a number of special activities planned.

Wednesday we start school at 7.15am in the hope that we may see the stars of Matariki. Last year it was overcast, but fingers crossed for this year. We will have breakfast in the hall after the early start. Later in the day we have our annual performance from the New Zealand Playhouse at around 11 am.

On Thursday and Friday we have many self-motivated gymnasts taking part in the Motueka Schools Gymnastic Competition at the Motueka Recreation Centre. Thank you to all those parents that have helped support our teams develop their skills and hone their routines.

Grant & the team at Upper Moutere School

New World - My Little Kitchen

If you have any excess My Little Kitchen pieces, we would dearly love them for a teaching unit in Marama. Please drop them off to Jaki – THANK YOU!

The next Messy Church event is to be held on Tuesday 27 June from 5-7pm.

This is an event for all ages involving creativity, celebration and hospitality. During the evening there will be activities for parents, grandparents, children, teenagers and pre-schoolers. Children under 14 years must be accompanied by an adult.

There is no cost involved and a free meal is provided. For more information about this event, please phone the Parish Office on 528 8825 or email at motuekaparish@xtra.co.nz.

MOI Winter Camps: 12-14 July

MOI is offering two distinct camps over the winter holidays: Both camps are \$150, occur at Garin College from 9 am to 3 pm and are designed for students aged 6-13.

Cooking:

Over the three days, students will learn how to make three full meals, including entré, main, and dessert. The meals will be varied so that many different skills will be learned, such as following recipes, measuring, cooking science, and the use of ovens, stoves, and other kitchen appliances. This is a no NUT camp.

https://www.eventbrite.com/e/cooking-camptickets-35160182051

Technology:

In this 3 day camp students will learn about electronics by building simple circuits, learn some simple coding, and programme a variety of robots (Ozobots and Spheros). In addition, creativity will be a focus-can you create in 3D? Use 3Doodle Pens to let your imagination go wild or create a body and legs for a vibration bot! This camp has technology at its core and innovation as its pillar! https://www.eventbrite.com/e/technology-camptickets-35160357576

Book Amnesty!

Calling all books behind the couch, inside the toy box, and under the bed !! Our supply of group reading books is sadly dwindling and groups are missing out on some fabulous books. Please return them to the box in the library. Thanks Heaps!

Moutere Community Youth June

Junior Youth

Fridays/3:30-5:30pm/Year 5 - Year 7/\$2/meet at UMO church hall

*Come early after school for afternoon tea, gold coin donation

16 Dovedale Event

23 Kidpower

30 Movie - Despicable Me 3 (Dovedale School

Fundraiser \$14, talk to Tessa, To order tickets talk to her quick)

Intermediate Youth

2nd & 4th Fridays/6:30-8:30pm/Year 7 - Year 9/\$2/meet at UMO church hall

23 Torch Light Trail Super Sofa Shuffle

Senior Youth

1st & 3rd Fridays/6:30-8:30pm-ish/Year 9 - Year 13/\$2/meet at UMO church hall

16 MHCC Badminton

Questions?

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NOTE; Any programme advertised through this newsletter is independent of the school and therefore is not an endorsement of best practice. You should satisfy yourself that best practice guidelines are being followed to ensure the safety and appropriateness of the activity for your child and family.

PUPIL OF THE WEEK 9 & 16 June

Marama

Zac W & Thomas; Wow, your Confident Light has become so bright! We love how independent you have become in your learning especially at writing time. Super Well done!

Zak C; We just love the way your LITERATE Light is glowing. You are trying hard to improve the sound of your reading by including lots of expression in your voice and you are taking time to listen to your reading to ensure it makes sense. Keep up the great effort Zak. We are so proud of you!!

Izabella we love how enthusiastic you are in your learning. Your ACTIVE light is always on super bright especially at writing time when we see you busy with your ideas buzzing in your head! Fabulous!! **Tobi** we love the way you become so actively involved in our Science and how you share all your fabulous predictions and observations. You also make a wonderful Science monitor. We are so proud of you> Keep up the great work.

Saffron, we love the way you joined in whole heartedly with our waiata to welcome our guest this week. That smile of yours warmed our hearts.

Turama

Sienna – For having an awesome week! All of your Learning Lights have been shining brightly.

Evie J – For the amazing responsibility you show towards your learning. You make great choices about where you learn, how you learn and who you learn best with.

Morgan – For being an all-round awesome student in all learning areas. We are really impressed with your attitude and effort.

Jude – For your enthusiasm and positive attitude during Maths. We are proud of you for showing a great understanding of division.

Sawyer – for your awesome focus on your invertebrate task. You sorted the invertebrates by their physical characteristics with ease!

Emma D and Kaela – You are Maths whizz kids! You collaborated so well on your problem solving this week, using high level strategies to solve subtraction problems.

Ramaroa

Nunya & Tegan; For using your numerate light with confidence.

Louisa; For showing your confident light in the way you guided our visitors around this week and also how you were willing to share with them your learning.

Taj; For showing your confident light and being a responsible role model in our school

Oliver; Excellent attitude in class.

Max; Amazing problem solving.

Ethan; Your Literate Light has been beaming this week in Writing and you are using your Confident Light to share your thinking and ideas with the class. Fabulous effort this week Ethan!

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Principal Awards

<u>9 June</u> **Patrick B**; This young man's writing is going from strength to strength...and I have to say it has even developed more since I gave him this award last week. So exciting!

<u>16 June</u> **Cassius D;** Thank you for leading our Mihi Whakatau. Watching your confidence grow and seeing the mana in your presence and delivery was impressive.!

Cross Country

Our cross country runners are in training for the Nelson Regional Cross Country at Rabbit Island on Friday 30th June – good luck!

Miniball

Miniball is on again in Term 3. If you give your child permission to play next term, please complete permission (either via SchoolStream or paper) by 28 June.

Thank you to everyone who supported our first **'Hang Out Friday'**. Wonderful to see so many of you take the opportunity to stay and have a chat. Our next 'Hang Out Friday' is **7 July!** A big thank you to Kirsten from Mapua Country Store for supplying the fruit. 'Shop local, enjoy local'

Your Fundraising Team

Dates for your Diary	
21 June	Matariki Breakfast
21 June	NZ Playhouse
21 June	Motueka Book Quiz
22 June	B Gymnastics
23 June	A Gymnastics
30 June	Nelson Regional Cross Country
7 July	Last Day Term 2
24 July	Term 3 begins



