

Dear Parents & Caregivers

This week we welcomed six new students to our school. Izabella Dons turned 5 during the holidays and joined Marama, KaeLeigh Lennon-White joined Turama from Ranzau School and the Vlaming family; John, Anneke, Kaela and Robert joined Ramaroa, Turama and Marama respectively.

We also welcomed back three student teachers, Nicola, Sandra and Danielle. They will be with us for the first four weeks of this term.

Please look out for the separate notice sharing the details for our annual Athletics Day to be held on Saturday 12 November. This event has been held in our community since 1919. Currently all classes are working on developing their athletic skills in readiness for the day. Every student's score on the day counts towards our school score for a number of historic trophies.

We have all just started to learn the songs for our Production and our Year 7/8 students continue to commit their lines to memory so we are underway!

Today we hosted 17 teachers and principals from seven Marlborough schools. They were interested in observing in our learning spaces and discussing our teaching approaches. It can be very rewarding sharing with colleagues, we all learn from each other.

Ramaroa 6 students have recently had several successes in a variety of regional and national events.

Both the Year 7 and 8 teams competed at the Nelson Mathix Problem Solving Competition. Both teams finished the competition as the

highest placed country school, and pipped some bigger schools also along the way. A commendable effort from Baxter, Billy, Taj, Ashton, Jack, Ryan, Riley and Tom.

Also in the University of Otago National Problem Solving Competition several students achieved Excellence, with Ryan and Jack's individual efforts making them eligible to enter 1-hour final, which will identify the top Year 7 and 8 problem solvers in the country. Max also scored enough points to qualify for the final, but unfortunately can't compete as he is a Year 6!

For writing, the Year 7 and 8 students entered a national competition, Fabostory, run by published authors. The final competition for the year was held late last term and we received some fantastic results. Our senior class was the overall top class in the country and 3 students stood above the rest. Ashton was noted for his excellent use of similes (for giving his teacher's once shriveled arms a big enough workout that they became "muscular as if he had been bench-pressing for the last fifty years"), Holly Druce was named 2<sup>nd</sup> Runner Up, and Louie Morris was the overall winner – Well done Louie! Well done everyone.

HATS - this term every student is expected to wear a brimmed hat during interval, lunch and during other outside activities. Disappointingly a large number of students are not wearing hats and can provide a range of excuses with the most common..."I haven't got one" Please ensure your child does have an appropriate hat (not a cap) on Monday or else your child will be limited to play in the shade. Thank you.

*Grant & the team at Upper Moutere School*

**Marama**

**Izabella;** What a wonderful start you have made to school Izabella. You use your ACTIVE light to join in enthusiastically in everything we do. What a STAR!

**Robert;** A huge welcome to you Robert! We have so enjoyed having you in Marama this week. You have certainly used your ACTIVE Light to join in with everything with a fantastic attitude. A super week!

**Turama**

**Amanda** – For your strong muscle woman throw during PE. You were right on target and collected many points for your group!

**Bruno** – For your enthusiasm and engagement during our inspirational week of Maths. Your 'synapses are firing!'

**Harriet** – For your awesome attitude and perseverance when participating in high jump!

**Finyas** – For your "never give up" attitude in Maths. When searching for patterns on Pascal's Triangle you just kept on discovering more and more.

**Ramaroa**

**Camden** for being on task and using our school values always. Cam's thinker light is shining, he enjoys sharing and is a confident and friendly class member who enjoys helping others.

**Matilda** for a very confident delivery of her speech, using her confident and literate light. Matilda is using all of her learning lights to succeed, she is engaged in everything.

**Ashton;** Your writing amazes me – you have such crafty ideas and have let your literate light shine when writing poetry.

**Holly;** Your story for Fabo story was outstanding! Let that Literate light shine!

Motueka Pool Fundraising Dance  
Medicine Woman

***Come Dancing***

November 5th  
Huia Club Rooms  
Light Supper and Bar

Tickets \$20 from Motueka Floral Studio or Contact Sue 027 544 3002, Berny 027 559 9103

**Principal's Awards**

**15 October**

**Ashton Cook** for the maturity he showed this week when dealing with an issue.



Thanks to Shena & her team for organising another great social fundraising event during the holidays at Moutere Inn and to those of you who went along to support the school. Thank you also to the following businesses who generously donated towards the raffle;

Neudorf Mushrooms  
Dove River Peonies  
Moutere Motors  
Townshend Brewery

Neudorf Olives  
Owen Bartlett Pottery  
Peckham's Cider

**Dates for your Diary**

7 Nov	In-school Performance
11 Nov	College Testing Day
12 November	Athletics Day at MHCC
15 Nov	Jump Rope for Heart
17 Nov	Top Team
7 & 8 Dec	School Production
5 Dec	Y 8 Dinner
12 Dec	School Picnic
14 Dec	School ends for 2016 at 12 noon
1 Feb 2017	School Starts for 2017

**SPORT NEWS**

Good luck to the three teams registered for **Touch Rugby** in Motueka starting this term and thank you to those parents who are helping out. (Two teams start week 2 and the third team starts in week 3.)

**Volleyball**; there is still time (just) to register for Volleyball for Term 4. See Saree for a form ASAP.

If anyone is interested in **Hockey** in Term 4, there are two options available;

Saxton Field on Tuesdays 5:15 (y5-8) \$16, or

Motueka beginning Friday 21<sup>st</sup> October and running for 8 weeks. Sessions will begin at 4:00pm each Friday. The duration of each game is 2 x 12 minute halves. \$20

Please contact the office for further information or to register interest.

Vanessa

**Registrations are now open for the 2016/2017 Sanitarium Weet-Bix Kids TRYathlon Series!**

Register online now and receive the **Early Bird Discount** price of \$37.00 per participant!

Nelson @ Tahunanui Recreation Ground,  
on Sunday 12th March 2017

Please register early to ensure you get the early bird discount and to get your pre-race packs before event day

**Activekidz Swim School @ Mapua Chalets begins its Term 4 Summer Programme on the last week in October. There are still places available if you hurry! Go to [www.Activekidzswimschool.co.nz](http://www.Activekidzswimschool.co.nz) or call Andy and Karen on 035403316 to book.**

Sport Tasman Motueka are putting on a fun run/walk this summer! Courses either 8km or 18km. Spot prizes and best dressed prizes up for grabs! Come along and get involved!

When : Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> January

Where : Goodman Park – next to MRC

Time: Registration from 7:00-7:45am

Race Start Time: 8:00am

Cost \$5pp or \$15 for a family

Keep an eye on our Facebook page for other events coming up over summer!



## Athletics 'Have a Go' Day

### Get Set Go & Run Jump Throw



**Come Along and be part of this Fun Athletics 'Have a Go' Event for Children aged 3 -12**

**What is the best start to sporting success?**

- Building the fundamental skills through fun & play!
- Developing Athletics specific skills through modified activities and equipment
- Having families involved in being active is a key part of kids staying in sport so parents & families are encouraged to be part of the day.

#### Event Details

**DATE:** Sunday 16 October, 2016  
**VENUE:** Saxton Oval, Athletics Track  
**TIME:** 10am - 12pm

**Everybody Welcome!**  
We look forward to seeing you all there!



[www.athletics.org.nz](http://www.athletics.org.nz)



### Junior tennis coaching

Anyone interested in learning how to play tennis, please contact Vanessa 027 511 8826. Lessons are for ages 5 + and run on Thursdays at the Upper Moutere tennis club. There are a few spaces left. Adult lessons are also available.

**'Women on court' - Breast Cancer Fundraiser THIS Sat 15th Oct 11am - 12 at Upper Moutere Tennis Club.** Cost is \$10 a session. Come along with your friends for an hour of fun on court and try the latest Cardio Tennis. All proceeds go to NZ Breast Cancer Foundation plus each club is giving away a \$200 Wilson prize pack which includes a racquet & apparel.

**Tennis Coaching**

Anyone wanting to learn how to play tennis, please email Vanessa - claybrookestate@xtra.co.nz. For ages 5+. Lessons run on Monday's and Thursday's at the Upper Moutere tennis club. I have a few spaces left. Book now! Lessons also available for adults - group and individual.

**SURVIVING YOUR TWEENS**

FREE WORKSHOPS FOR PARENTS, CAREGIVERS & GRANDPARENTS

**COMMUNICATION; HOW TO GET MORE THAN GRUNTS & PROTECT YOUR TWEEN FROM ADULT WEBSITES AND R18 MESSAGES**

Monday 17<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> October 6:45PM-9PM  
Venue 15 Greenwood Street Motueka

To register phone Motueka Family Service Centre 03 5280234 or text 0278251528 & enter your name & which days you are attending eg Leanne Surviving Tweens 17 & 18 October



Hills Community Church Presents  
**Mapua's Costume Carnival**  
An Old Fashioned Carnival with Games  
Bouncy Castles  
Trailer Rides  
and Sausage Sizzle  
**EVERYTHING IS FREE**  
5-7pm Monday 31st October  
Aranui Park and the Hills Community Church  
A safe alternative to traditional "trick or treating"  
Prizes for best costumes - Please avoid scary costumes  
Previously supported by tasman The Snowden Trust FOUR SQUARE



**Moutere Community Youth 2016 October Junior Youth**

Fridays/3:30-5:30pm/Yr 5 - Yr 7/\$2/meet at UMO church hall  
\*Come early after school for afternoon tea, gold coin donation

- 14 Baking for a Cause (this means baking and delivering it to someone... not just eating!)
- 21 Choose Your Own Adventure...?
- 28 Nerf Wars....

**Intermediate Youth**

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

- 14 Make, Bake & Take
- 28 Minigolf

**Senior Youth**

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

- 7 Sports at MHCC
- 21 Adventure - what will it be?

**Questions?**

Tessa - 022 101 2276/Billy - 021 027 28825  
[moutereyouth@gmail.com](mailto:moutereyouth@gmail.com)

The Motueka Garden Trail will be held on the weekend of 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> November. Explore a variety of unique properties across the Motueka district, including stunning rose gardens in full spring bloom. This popular annual event is the Motueka District Toy Library's major fundraiser. Tickets are \$15 for a weekend pass, and are available at Motueka Mitre 10, The Plant Barn, Potters Patch and the Toy Library. For further information, visit [www.facebook.com/motuekagardentrail](http://www.facebook.com/motuekagardentrail), or email [motuekadistricttoylibrary@gmail.com](mailto:motuekadistricttoylibrary@gmail.com).

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.

**MURDER IN THE MOUTERE - Murder Mystery Dinner**

**Saturday 29th October**  
**6:30pm—10:30pm**  
**Moutere Hills Community Centre**  
**\$45 per person**

Tickets available from  
**Moutere Hills Community Centre**  
office or by emailing us at  
[enquiries@mouterehills.org.nz](mailto:enquiries@mouterehills.org.nz)