



Newsletter

Monday 25 May 2020

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Kia ora tātou

Thank you to everyone for making things easier for us by using the correct entry gates and restricting access for adults. Our students have stuck to this very well and we would like to continue this week please, BUT we need to remind **parents to please not come onto the school grounds** without first making an appointment by email or phone. *Until the government has advised new alert level details we must stick to alert level 2 guidelines and be able to track all people who come on site.*

We have just been advised by the Ministry of Education that we currently have no active cases of Covid-19 in our region. While we obviously need to remain vigilant in continuing our safety measures, this should give us confidence in our ability to provide a safe environment for staff and children.

Welcome to Rereanna Hartley who has joined us in Room 9. It's great to have you in our Moanataiari School family.

David Brock, Principal - Tumuaki

Coming up:	
Fri 29 May	Family photo judging
Fri 29 May	Easter Raffle drawn
Fri 12 Jun	Ballot for out of zone students
Fri 26 Jun	Kite flying at 11.45am

School Terms for 2020	
Term 2:	Monday 15 April to Friday 3 July
Term 3:	Monday 20 July to Friday 25 September
	Mid-term break Fri 26 - Mon 31 August
Term 4:	Monday 12 October to Thurs 17 December

School hours: 8.55am to 3pm Monday to Friday

Family Lockdown Photos

As mentioned in an early blog, I would like to collect photos taken by students and parents that capture the history as we are experiencing lockdown in Thames for our entire community. Any photos that you have already taken count when you submit them to juliew@moana.school.nz. We will also put some of these photos on Facebook and will award a \$20.00 book voucher to five of the best photos that illustrate the time we are living in. Please send these **in by Friday 29th May to be in to win.**



Garden compost box installation

We have been very fortunate to receive sustainability funding for items for our school garden. As part of this funding we will be installing four garden compost boxes **this Thursday** which will provide recycled nutrition for our veges and fruit trees.



Matariki Celebration 2020 (Manu tukutuku)

On **Friday 26 June**, weather permitting, or Friday 3 July (saving day), we will be celebrating Matariki 2020 by flying kites on the field at **11:45 a.m.**

Traditionally kites known as manu tukutuku, manu aute or pākau (manu



translates to bird or kite, pākau means 'bird wing'), were flown to celebrate the new year.

We encourage students to **make or bring** their own kites to fly. The focus will be on participation.

We look forward to celebrating this together with the students, and hope for the weather to suit! **Kites will need to be brought to school in the morning.** There are numerous YouTube instructional videos on how to make kites.



Skool Loop App

Remember to look for messages from us on the Skool Loop app. Our newsletter is also available on the app.



Senior fund-raiser

The year 8 students are fundraising for National Young Leaders day and are currently selling tickets for a (late) Easter Egg raffle. Tickets still available this week. To be drawn **THIS FRIDAY** morning. **\$2 per ticket or \$5 for 3.**



Te rerenga korero:

(the flow of speech)

me karawhiu!

give it heaps!

Community Notices



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SPYC After School Care

Is now up and running again.

Contact Ella on
027 434 6417

Thames Junior Hockey

Junior Hockey 2020!

Please register your child's interest in playing by emailing:

thamesjuniorhockey@gmail.com

We have teams for all age groups
(year 1 - 8).

Training is at St Francis School and sticks can be provided if you don't have one, mouth guards compulsory.

