



MOANATAIARI SCHOOL

Newsletter

Monday 7th April 2025

Kia ora tātou

We are nearly at the end of Term 1 for 2025 so I wish you all a restful school break and look forward to seeing our students back on Monday 28th April refreshed for Term 2.

David Brock, Principal – Tumuaki

Student Learning Conferences

Student reports have been sent home today, and student learning conferences will be held this **Thursday 10th April**.

Bookings can be made via the SkoolLoop app, or manually at our school office.

Please note that school will **finish at 12.00 noon THIS Thursday 10th April for all classrooms.**



*We are also holding a **Whānau Expo** alongside our learning conferences **this Thursday**. We have some community groups coming along **from 1pm** and everyone is welcome!*

Pop along, even if your conference time is later in the evening, and meet some of our guests to find out what is available in our community to support you and your family.

2024 Start Date & School Terms

Term 1: Thursday 30 January to Friday 11 April

Term 2: Monday 28 April to Friday 27 June

Term 3: Monday 14 July to Friday 19 September

Term 4: Monday 6 October to Monday 15 December

Coming up:

Mon 7 Apr Student reports sent home

Wed 9 Apr Assembly at 2.10pm

Wed 9 Apr EPro8 Y7&8

Thu 10 Apr EPro8 Y5&6

**Thu 10 Apr Student learning conferences
School finishes at 12 noon**

Fri 11 Apr PTA mufti day 🍌🍌🍌

Fri 11 Apr Minecraft collectables swap day

Fri 11 Apr Hut cross bun order pickup 3pm

Fri 11 Apr Last day for term one

Mon 28 Apr Term two starts

Netball

All netball notices need to be in by **tomorrow** so we can register the teams.

Year 1-4 parents, we will forward you the email to register your child tomorrow but only if we have the form returned.

Year 5-8 students, we need to send in registrations as soon as possible.

We will need coaches and managers to be able to enter the teams.

Thank you to those parents who have already offered to help.



Junior School Fundraiser

Please collect your hot cross bun order/s from our school kitchen **this Friday at 3.00pm.**



Please bring boxes to carry any large orders.

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PTA Mufti Day this Friday

Come in mufti and leave your gold coin donation. at the office. Funds raised will go towards the purchase of more sports shirts. We are hoping to purchase a selection of sizes which will add to our current stock. These shirts are used by our students representing the school for a variety of events. With this in mind, if you have a shirt at home, please bring it back as these stay at school and are issued to students when required.



Rooms 6 and 9 Camp

Could all camp permission forms and deposit payments please be in by this Wednesday.

We cannot confirm the price of camp until we have all permission forms in and we need to contact the camp.

Thank you.



EPro8 Competition

All the best to our EPro8 teams competing this week.

The year 5/6 team is:

Sophie Takiwa, Izzy Parkinson, Mason Hopkirk and Malachai Peterson.

This competition is at Parawai School on Thursday 10th April from 9.30am -12.30pm.

The year 7/8 team is:

Lylah Bain, Addison Asafo, Mila Tull and Aliva Takiwa.

This competition is at Parawai School on Wednesday 9th April from 5.00pm -8.00pm.



ANZAC Day Parade

If anyone would like to be involved and represent Moanataiari School at the Thames ANZAC Parade on Friday 25th April at 9:45 am, please let the office know and we'll be in touch with details.



Te rerenga korero:

Kua reri koutou katoa? *Are you all ready?*

Here are some poems written by students in room 9. We looked at a range of poem formats in Writer's Toolbox, Poets

Rugby Poem

A legend stands upon the field,
Opposite stood a team that needed shields.
With years of wisdom in his stride,
A warrior's skill, no place to hide.
The crowd goes wild, then roars his name,
A hero who plays like boosted flames.
With every step, the stadium shakes,
He moves with force, without a break.

The ball in hand, he charges through,
A trail of hope in every move.
Opponents try, but none can match,
The legend's skill, the perfect catch.
He sees the gap, he makes the pass,
And they score again in the grass.
That's how the legend cooked the game itself,
He went back home and put the ball on his shelf.
By Denzal Corry

The EEL

The eel makes a deal with the devil,
Then the eel kneels.
So he can have power over the other
Eels in the river.
The eel gets a meal off a hook.
His fate is sealed.
Because he's becomes the meal,
As the then fisherman reels.
By Ali-Paul Riddell

Mole

Once there was a fat cat named Mole.
Mole ate too much and created a black hole.
Everything got sucked in, what a disaster!
It was too late no one could run faster.
Only mole was left, what could she do?
Well obviously she ate more food.
She didn't care about all that was gone.
But the food went bad, it tasted very wrong.
By Logan Lee-Mason

Sisters

Two souls entwined, a bond so deep,
Two hearts that beat, secrets to keep.
Sisters, two materials, woven with care,
Through laughter and tears, beyond compare.
By Lylah Bain

Winter

I rest through the cold winter night,
The pale moon stirs me with its light.
I glance up and see icicles hanging low,
Glittering down, in the soft winter glow.
I get up and open my window.
I see my breath in the cold night.
Snowflakes falling soft and slow,
Dancing through the world below.
Each one is a tiny star,
A fleeting beauty from afar.
By Addison Asafo



Movie Night

The PTA would like to run another movie night but we need your help! If you can help us with even just one task such as the prep: planning the night, organising the menu, food shopping or help during the evening: setting up, prepping food, selling food, then we'd love to hear from you. These aren't big tasks but we need more helpers to assist. The movie is planned for May but we may run it in the holidays as a fun, family event.

We would also love to hear from you if you would like to join the PTA - we are a passionate team working together to raise funds for better resources, and a brighter future for our tamariki – in a very relaxed and informal environment and having fun along the way! Please get in touch if you would like to join.

Yes, I would like to join the PTA team and/or help with the movie night.

Name: _____ Phone: _____

FAMILY SURNAME: _____

PHONE: _____

Please add your child's name in the column of their teacher at the time that best suits you to visit **and return the form to the office as soon as possible.**

This form will be returned to you with confirmed times ticked or alternative times.

If you are unable to attend your confirmed conference time, please let the office know asap.

Time	Mrs Kruger Room 2	Mrs Pooley Room 3	Mr Cossey Room 6	Mr Howes Room 7	Ms Trenwith Room 9
1.00–1.10					
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6.30–6.40					
6.40–6.50					
6.50–7.00					

Community Notices



THAMES HOCKEY CLUB

TIME TO SIGN UP

Please sign up via our online form!
Find it on our Facebook Page!
Season starts Term 2

Please reach out:
THAMESHOCKEY@GMAIL.COM

School holiday Art Program

10 am - 12 pm

Tuesday 15th April
Oil pastel Starry Night (Van Gogh)

Wednesday 16th April **FREE** Sponsored by the Seagull Centre
Recycled Art Upcycling Packaging

Thursday 17th April
Watercolour Paint me a Tui


Tuesday 22nd April
Clay & drift wood

Wednesday 23rd April
Paper Craft Infinity Card

Thursday 24th April
Sip and paint Sea world

Contact Laurie Mango
027 57 57 497
or laurie.mango@gmail.com
All materials included.
Limited spaces available.
517 Pollen Street, Thames.

The Creativity Room
\$25 per child 5 to 12yo.



THAMES SQUASH
— RACKETS CLUB INC —

THAMES JUNIOR SQUASH

Join our Junior Squash programme - fun for all ages/levels

STARTS TERM 2! Fri 2nd May

5pm-6pm under 10yo (mini nicks)
6pm-7pm over 10yo
first 3 SESSIONS FREE

ALL WELCOME

 **SQUASH**
WAKATU

Contact Ross 027 510 9079
rossandmeredith499@gmail.com



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Young Explorers Camp

NGAMUWAHINE LODGE

BOOK NOW 14th-17th April, 2025

We have an amazing week lined up with bush walks, archery, air rifle, fire building and cooking, hut building, high rope activities, swimming, eeling, night activities and much more!

- Pick-up/Drop off available from Hamilton, Tauranga & NOW Auckland
- Suitable for 7-13 years old
- OSCAR Subsidy available
- Ngamuwahine Lodge is set in the Kaimai Ranges (off SH29) in the beautiful Bay of Plenty

PRICE \$575 4 days Mon-Thu

MORE INFO :
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WEEK ONE OF THE APRIL HOLIDAYS!

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