



Newsletter

Monday 16th August 2021

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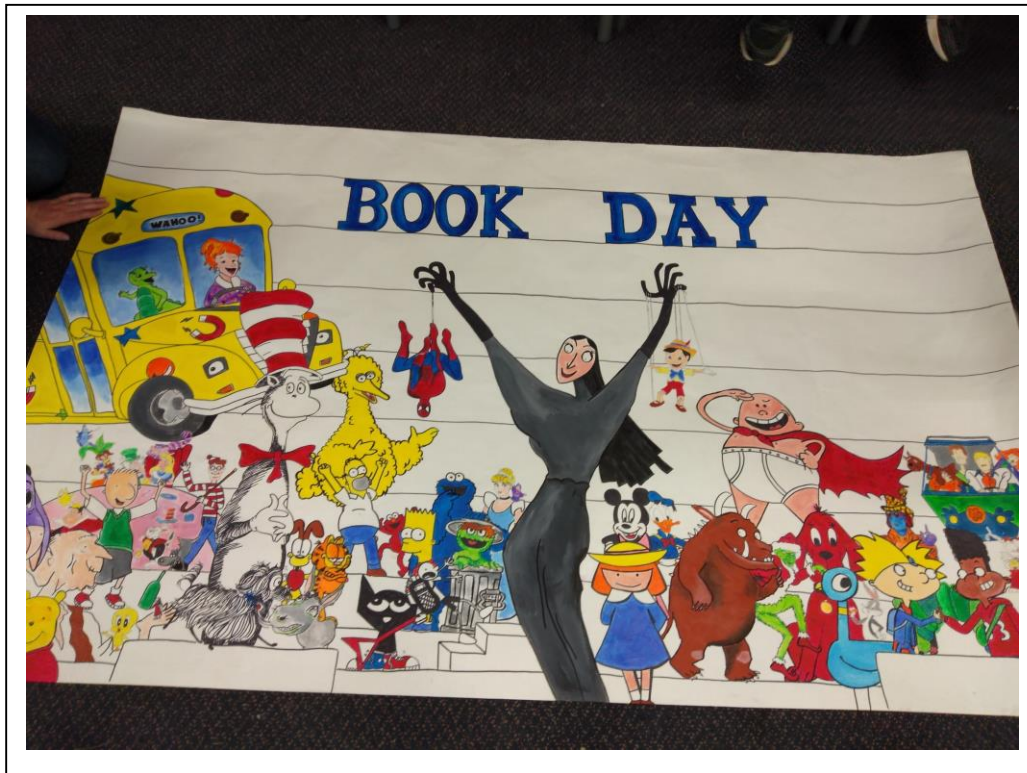
Kia ora tātou

Congratulations to our best dressed book day winners:

Bayley David as Steve from The Minecraft Book Series, Mrs Saunders as Bad Jelly the Witch, Mr and Mrs Carruthers as Mr Grumpy & Black Friday, Liam Le Roux as The Ninja, Ashton Takiwa as Willy Wonka from Charlie and the Chocolate Factory, Julie White as Paddington Bear, Zac Whyte as Zac Power from the Zac Power book series, Sophie Whyte as Poison Ivy, and Aimee Arnold as The Queen of Hearts from Alice in Wonderland, and to everyone else who dressed up. You all looked great!

Many thanks to Tracey and the caretakers of the library, student librarians and other helpers for making this a special, fun event. With a HUGE THANK YOU to Bayley's Mum for her incredible art work! The height chart is going up in our school library and the photo back drop will be at our school library for a short time before moving to the Thames Public Library!

Andrea Saunders & Pam Kruger, Acting Principals – Tumuaiki



Coming up:

Mon 16 Aug BoT meeting 5.30pm
 Wed 18 Aug Moanataiari School cross country
 Thu 19 Aug Careers expo
 Tue 24 Aug Lockdown practice 11.45am
 Tue 24 Aug International food festival 1.30pm
 Wed 25 Aug School senior speech competition
 Thu 26 to Mon 30 Aug mid-term break
 & teacher only day (Monday)
 Wed 1 Sep Thames interschool XC at Puriri
 Fri 3 Sep Thames speech competition
 Tue 7 Sep Thames Valley XC

2021 School Terms

Term 3: Monday 26 July to Friday 1 October
 Term 4: Monday 18 October to Fri 17 December

Moanataiari School Bank Account:

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Weetbix, milk and fruit are available from our kitchen for anyone wanting breakfast **between 8.20am and 8.50am** each morning, Monday to Friday.

Moanataiari School Cross Country Event

Our School Cross Country will be held **THIS Wednesday 18th August from 9.30am.**

(Save day Thursday). At this point, the weather forecast looks like rain for Wednesday. A decision will be made on Wednesday morning.

Please note that due to our field entry being extremely muddy this year's track has changed and we will be starting and finishing on our court by the school pool.

Races: (all race start times are subject to change)

9.30	7 Years Girls	7 Years Boys	9.45	6 Years Girls	6 Years Boys
9.55	5 Years Girls	5 Years Boys	10.05	12+ Years Girls	12 +Years Boys
10.15	9 Years Girls	9 Years Boys	10.30	11 Years Girls	11 Years Boys
10.40	8 Years Girls	8 Years Boys	10.50	10 Years Girls	10 Years Boys

Certificates will be handed out at the next assembly.



Thames Schools Cross Country

Competitors in each age-group from 8 years old upwards will be selected to participate in the Thames cross country event on **1st September (note change of date) at Puriri School.** Competitors from the Thames event will then be selected to compete at the Thames Valley event on **Tuesday 7th September.**

International Food Festival

To celebrate our diversity, and a chance to share some yummy food, we are holding our **International Food Festival on Tuesday 24th August at lunch time (1.20pm).** Come along in a costume from your heritage – there will be prizes for the best dressed – and please bring a plate of food from your culture to share. Families are welcome to come along too.

We also welcome any songs or dances from your culture, so please see Joanne at the office if you are happy to perform.



Speeches

On **Wednesday 25th August** (please note date change) we will hold our school speech competition. The inter-school competition will be on Friday 3rd September.

Mid Term Break – Thursday 26th August to Monday 30th August Inclusive

We will be holding our mid-term break again this year as there are no public holidays in term 3. This gives students and staff time to relax and refresh over a long weekend break.

Monday 30th is a teacher-only day, **so students return to school on Tuesday 31st August.**



Sick Students/Absence from School

Please advise the school office by 9.00am if students will be away from due to illness, or for any other reason. A message can be left on the answerphone (078686504), or sent via the school app, or email (office@moana.school.nz).

Just a reminder that sick children are not to be sent to school. Chris Hipkins, Minister of Health, has reminded us about how quickly viruses spread, and that should we get a case of the Covid 19 Delta variant, the country would probably have to go into lockdown. Please be vigilant with hand-washing and hygiene.

Yummy Stickers

Please collect up your Yummy apple stickers and cut-outs from bags and bring them into our school office **by Wednesday 25th August** so we can send them off in return for sports equipment. Every little one counts.



Te rerenga korero: Whakapainga te ruma

Clean/tidy up the room

Community Notices

Moanataiari After-School Care

Bookings can be made through our school office (868 6504) or by contacting Donna directly on 027 547 9407.

THAMES MINI LEAGUE BASKETBALL

**Fridays during Term 3
at Jack McLean Centre**

5-7 years 3.30-4.00pm

1 child \$20, 2 children \$35, 3 children + \$50

8-9 years 4.00-5.00pm

10-13 years 5.00-6.00pm

1 child \$30, 2 children \$45, 3 children + \$60

Contact: adrienehodgson@icloud.com



Notice of intention to apply vertebrate toxic agents:

DOC predator control will be carried out in the Coromandel Forest Park and Otahu Ecological Area, south of Whangamata between 1 September and 25 December 2021.



THIS IS A REQUEST FOR ANY
PRELOVED ITEMS & DONATIONS FOR
OUR:

**MOANATAIARI SCHOOL
GARAGE SALE
SAT 18TH SEPT 2021**



PLEASE BRING IN ANY
ITEMS BY FRIDAY 10TH
SEPTEMBER.
ITEMS CAN BE
DROPPED TO THE
SCHOOL OFFICE

AM I PREPARED?

Do I have an emergency plan for the hazards in my area?
getready.govt.nz

Do I have 3 days of emergency supplies? (including medicine)



Do I have an evacuation plan?

- Is my Go Bag packed?
- Do I require assistance – Identify a friend or neighbour that can help you.

Visit www.getready.govt.nz to help you get ready

BE INFORMED.



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National Emergency Management
Agency: getready.govt.nz/prepared/stay-informed/emergency-mobile-alert/



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DOWNLOAD HAZARD APP

Red Cross Hazard App

GeoNet Geological Hazard App



RADIO STATIONS

More FM	97.2FM
The Breeze	90.8FM
Radio NZ	756AM/101.4FM
Newstalk ZB	1080AM/ 89.4 FM/97FM
C95 FM	94FM

To report issues that are non life or property threatening contact
Thames-Coromandel District Council at 07 868 0200.

If at any stage you consider life or property in danger phone 111 immediately

THAMES community guide to emergencies

GET READY

**WE ARE ALL
CIVIL DEFENCE**



THAMES-COROMANDEL DC
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Communities on the Coromandel Peninsula have a history of being cut off for **3 DAYS** or more.
You may need to take care of yourself before help arrives visit www.getready to help you get ready.

HAZARDS IN THAMES



STORMS AND FLOODS/SLIPS

Storms and severe weather can happen at any time of the year, even in the middle of summer.
This includes strong winds, heavy rain, and thunderstorms.
Storms often bring localised flooding and they can block access to or from your home or bach.

WHAT TO DO

- Charge all devices while you still have power.
- Secure anything that could cause damage in strong winds (such as outdoor furniture).
- Stay inside and bring your pets inside. If you have to leave, take them with you.
- Take measures to reduce potential flood damage and make sure your insurance policy covers you for flood damage.
- Don't drive through flood waters – your car is not a submarine.
- Don't walk through floodwaters they could be contaminated with raw sewerage or contain dangerous debris.
- Check the tide times. Flooding often happens at high tide and recedes at low tide.
- Listen to the radio and follow the instructions of emergency services.
- Check metservice.com for real-time updates.
- Check TCDC's Facebook page to see what other people around the Coromandel are reporting.
- Have a household emergency plan.



EARTHQUAKE AND TSUNAMI

An earthquake could cause a tsunami. Know the natural warning signs:

- » Experience an earthquake that makes it hard to stand up or lasts longer than a minute
- » Notice sudden tidal changes at the beach or harbour
- » Hear loud or unusual sounds from the ocean.

WHAT TO DO

- Drop. Cover. Hold - during the earthquake
- If you live in a coastal area, evacuate immediately as far up or inland as you can. Do not wait for an official warning.
- Wait for the official 'all clear'
- Have an emergency plan and go bag ready
- Listen to the local radio and follow instructions of Emergency Services
- Download the Red Cross Hazards App
- A distant source tsunami allows ample time to notify and prepare



FIRE

Fire can start from natural causes like floods and earthquakes (causing electrical shorts), volcanic activity, lightning strikes and high wind. Low rainfall and drought can also cause an increase in the number of fires started.

WHAT TO DO

- Have an escape plan.
- Decide WHEN you need to escape.
- Make sure your home has smoke alarms.
- Apply for a permit if you want to light open fires in a restricted season.
- Minimise wildfire risk by maintaining "3m" of cleared space, no trees, around your home.
- Drop to the floor and get out of the building or away from the fire.
- Call 111.