



MOANATAIARI SCHOOL

# Newsletter

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> December 2022

*Kia ora tātou*

*We certainly have an action-packed week ahead with the Room 2 and 9 trip to Waterworks this Wednesday, our Year 8 leavers dinner this Thursday evening, and the junior trip to Butterfly Creek this Friday.*

*A huge THANK YOU to everyone who has donated to and helped raise funds for our special outings. We now have enough money for all of these events to go ahead.*

*David Brock, Principal – Tumuaki*

## Super Smash (Girls cricket, give it a go)

We have 24 girls going to Hauraki Plains College **THIS Tuesday 6th December** to have fun and give cricket a go.

Please dress up in orange and pink, there are prizes for the best dress-up and this is all part of the fun.

Please ensure you have enough food, drink, and sun protection for the day. Be at school by **8.30am** for our 8.45 departure.

## Prize-giving Assembly

Our prize-giving assembly will be held on **Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December at 1.00pm** in the courtyard.



## 2022 Start Date & School Terms

Term 4: Monday 17 October to Monday 19 Dec

### 2023 Starts

Term 1: Tuesday 31 January

## Coming up:

Tue 6 Dec	Super smash cricket at Ngatea
Wed 7 Dec	R2 & 9 Waterworks trip
Thu 8 Dec	Year 8 leavers dinner 6pm
Fri 9 Dec	Juniors to Butterfly Creek 7.30am
Mon 12 Dec	BoT meeting 5.30pm
Wed 14 Dec	Helpers morning tea 11am
Thu 15 Dec	Mufti – gold coin donation
Fri 16 Dec	Prize-giving assembly 1pm
<b>Mon 19 Dec</b>	<b>End of Term 4 - 2.00pm finish</b>
<b>Tue 31 Jan</b>	<b>Term 1 starts for 2023</b>

## Year 8 Leavers Dinner

We are looking forward to celebrating our Year 8 Leavers Dinner **this Thursday at 6 pm** at BITE. Thank you to all those that have given so much of their time to make this a very memorable evening, and to those that have donated money. We are very grateful.



## Butterfly Creek Trip

**This Friday 9th Dec**  
**Be at school by 7.30am!**

The Bus will depart at 7.45 ...We cannot wait if you are late.

Remember to bring:

- a packed lunch and water bottle only
- walking shoes and sunhat
- and sunblock applied at home before the trip.



## Road Patrol

Our 2022 volunteer road patrollers had a fun day out at the Centennial Pools last Friday as a way to say THANK YOU for your commitment to ensuring our tamariki can safely cross Kuranui Street every day at 3.00 pm in all weather! Constable Connors trained our new volunteers on Thursday. A letter went home with them on Friday with a draft timetable for Term 1, 2023. Please complete the form and return it to Mrs Saunders. If some dates aren't going to work on the timetable please contact her ASAP.



## Thames Valley Athletics

Our 8 athletes did very well competing at Thames Valley Athletics on Tuesday 22nd November in Te Aroha. We are always so proud of our students that go on to represent themselves, our school, and the area at such a high level. A special mention is that Lincoln Donaldson placed 2nd in the 12-year-old long jump and Cleo Challis placed 2nd in the 11-year-old discus. Congratulations to you all.

## School Helpers Morning Tea

All of our wonderful helpers who have assisted throughout the year are cordially invited to our Helpers Morning Tea on **Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> December** at **11am** in our kitchen to say "thank you" for all of the time and assistance so generously given to our school.



**Te rerenga korero:**

**He pātai pai tēnā**

That's a good question.

## Menzshed

You may have noticed there is a 'project' that has started outside the office under the tree. We have had 9 students from Room 7 attending the Menzshed on Monday mornings before their technology at Thames High School.

Tony, Rae and Trish from Menzshed have volunteered their time to teach our students design and building skills. Julie has approached ITM Thames who have generously donated goods.

The students will now start working on their 'project' at school over the next two Mondays. They have a 'roof shout' on **Monday 12<sup>th</sup> December** and invite any parents along to this exciting event. Those students that have been attending are expected to bring a plate to this shout.



## Rooms 2 and 9 Waterworks Trip

**This Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> December**

We will be leaving at 9.00am, so students need to be at school **no later than 8.45am**.

Children need to bring:

- togs and towel
- a dry set of clothes with warm jumper
- footwear suitable for walking
- sunblock and sunhat
- a packed lunch, snacks and water.



## Medication at School

If your child has medication held at the office, these items will be sent home Monday 19 Dec.



## Senior School Chromebooks

At Moanataiari School we use Chromebooks in our senior school, Years 6 to 8. We know that these devices will be able to be used at the High School.

We have found that in the classroom environment there are many advantages to using Chromebooks to support teaching and learning in our school curriculum.

Year 4 and 5 students will need access to a chromebook next year. We would encourage parents to purchase a chromebook for their child if possible. A notice will be sent home with chromebook requirements.



## Student Siblings Starting in 2023

If you have a child turning 5 next year who will be joining us at Moanataiari School, please list their full name and birth date here, and return this note to our school office. *Thank you.*

**Name**

**Birth Date**

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## Climate Change

*By Ben Ashby and Liam Le Roux*

The climate has been changing much too fast because of the human race interfering with nature. Our selfishness has changed the climate and the atmosphere for the worst. We know that this is happening because the ice in the Antarctic is melting and sea levels worldwide are rising.

The world is getting hotter and we are doing nothing! For example, in Africa and Afghanistan, the temperature has increased by 1.8 degrees Celsius since 1950, which is twice the global average. Humans are by far the most significant contributor to global warming. So we want you to think about our generation and help us reverse the calamity you've left us with.



## School Library Books

Please return any school library books and national library books to the office at school.



## \$\$\$ \$100 Raffle \$\$\$

We have one remaining \$100 raffle to be completed from our 50<sup>th</sup> reunion. Tickets are \$2 each and available from our school office.

## Moanataiari After-School Care

Bookings can be made through our school office (868 6504) or by contacting Donna directly on 027 547 9407. Casual or regular bookings will cost \$7 per hour.

## Thames Christmas Parade 2022 Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> December

If your child wishes to join us to represent Moanataiari School at the Christmas parade this year please sign the form and return it to school as soon as possible.

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After the Santa Parade on Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> November, we will be holding a stall at the Te Kauaeranga Whānau Day at Thames South School. Information will be provided soon, but we will be looking for helpers, please to run the stall.

## 2023 Classes and Stationery Lists

Notices will be sent home on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> with each child informing which class they will be in next year and a copy of the relevant stationery list.



## Tech at THS in 2023

Last week all Year 6's took home a form to be read and signed for technology at Thames High School for 2023. Can these please be returned to Mrs Saunders ASAP.

## Community Notices

### 11th Anniversary Paeroa Christmas Lights



Discover the Magic  
10-24 December 2022



Christmas Fun For Everyone

Purchase Tickets Online  
Adults \$15 Children \$5  
Preschool Children \$2

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