



Newsletter

Monday 7th December 2020

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Kia ora tātou

Many thanks to Tracey and our library caretakers for the fun Book Day events last Friday. We hope this will inspire our students to keep reading lots of amazing stories and information all through the holidays.

We have another very busy week ahead with the Year 8 Dinner tomorrow night to farewell out Year 8 students on their way to high school, our helpers morning tea on Wednesday at 11am to thank all of our wonderful school helpers, and our Prize Giving Assembly this Friday from 12 noon.

Many thanks also to Miss Hinds-Haye's parents for hosting our junior students at their farm today at Whenuakite. It is a great opportunity for our students to experience farm life and meet the various farm animals.

Our school is also involved in the Thames Santa Parade on Friday night from 6pm. If you are not participating, please cheer them on from the sidelines!

And...we now have a school radio station and will be on air early next year on 107.4 on the dial! We need a name for our radio station, so please send in your suggestions on the slip at the end of this newsletter by this Thursday.

And... our amazing mural is now finished. A huge THANK YOU TO Rebecca Coggins for this wonderful asset for our school. Rebecca's design won the New Zealand Resene mural competition and all of our students have painted a fish in the mural.



David Brock, Principal – Tumuaki

Te rerenga korero:

Kia pai rawa atu koe!

Be the best that you can be!

Coming up:

Tue 8 Dec Year 8 leavers dinner 6.30pm
Wed 9 Dec Helpers morning tea at 11am
Fri 11 Dec Prize giving assembly at 12
Fri 11 Dec Thames Santa Parade at 6pm
Thu 17 Dec Mufti day – **end of term 4**

2021

Tue 2 Feb Term 1 starts at 8.55am

School Terms for 2020

Term 4: Monday 12 October to Thurs 17 December

2021 Start Date & School Terms

Term 1: Tuesday 2 February to Friday 16 April

Term 2: Monday 3 May to Friday 9 July

Term 3: Monday 26 July to Friday 1 October

Term 4: Monday 18 October to Tuesday 14 Dec

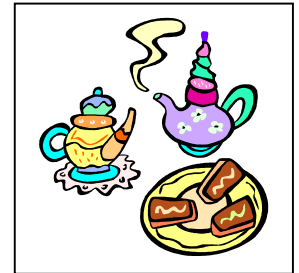
School hours: 8.55am to 3pm Monday to Friday

Moanataiari School Bank Account:

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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 9th December at 11am** in our kitchen to say “thank you” for all of the time and assistance so generously given to our school.*



Final Assembly and Prize Giving

Everyone is welcome to come along to our Final Assembly and Prize Giving on **Friday 11th December at 12.00 noon.**

2020 Thames Santa Parade

We are wanting to promote our wonderful school this year at The Thames Christmas Parade. **December the 11th at 6 pm.**

This year we are having a Christmas Elf theme, so to keep costs down for families at this very busy time we are asking that the children wear their uniform and an elf hat, which you can purchase from the \$2 shop. We will also have a small 50s type flat deck truck and caravan and are looking for a live Christmas tree, cheap or free. If you can help please contact Mrs Bain.



Many thanks to those people who have handed in their participation slip. We will be assembling **outside Fresho's corner of Pollen and Grey Streets at 5.30pm.** It's not too late to join in the fun so more participation slips are available from the school office.

Remember to Read Every Day During the Holidays

Last week we were visited by Shori Allen from Thames Library who invited our students to visit the library through the school holidays. The Thames library is a great resource for our students to access during the holidays to keep up with their readingso they are ready to pick-up where they left off at the beginning of school next year.



Thames Library are also running a number of events in January during the holidays to capture children's interest. Please see the flyers attached to our newsletter from last week, or check them out on our school noticeboard.

On average children spend three hours per day on screens. Please use some of this time for reading.



School Library Books

Please return any school library books urgently so we can do our end of year stocktake.

Juicies

Juicies are available for purchase each school day from the kitchen window by 8.55am for \$1.00 each and will be delivered to classrooms at second break.

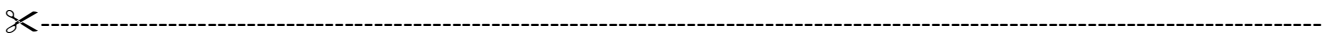
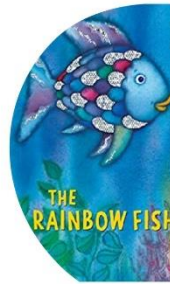
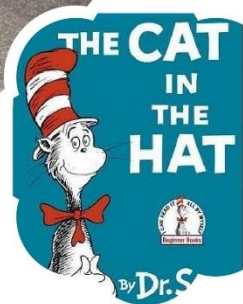


School radio station

We recently announced that we were successful in a funding application that allowed us to purchase a radio station kit. We thank Milestone Foundation for funding this project. The radio is an exciting opportunity for us. It will provide many learning opportunities ranging from the technical and operating side of running the station through to the programmes that we broadcast. There are a few things we need to do before we fully get up and running and we look forward to getting this off the ground early 2021.

In the meantime, we need you to help us come up with a name for our radio station! We will be running a small competition so please complete the form with your suggestion and return it to Julie in the office. Alternatively, you can also email juliew@moana.school.nz The competition is open to students and parents/families. There will be a prize up for grabs and we will announce the winner by the end of this week

Here are some of our students dressed as their favourite book characters:



Name our Moanataiari School Radio Station Competition

Name:	
Phone:	
I think our radio station should be called:	

Please return this slip to our school office by THIS THURSDAY to be in to win!