



# Newsletter

Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> February 2023

*Kia ora tātou*

*It's great to see the sunshine again after such a wet and traumatic few days. I trust that everyone is able to get back into their usual routine now.*

*Thank you to everyone who came along to our whakatau to welcome our new students and families last Friday.*

*It was great to see so many families enjoying the fun and games last Friday night also. Many thanks to everyone who helped make this such a successful event.*

*As this is such a short week we will not be publishing a newsletter next week as we don't expect the information to change from this one.*

*David Brock, Principal – Tumuaki*

## Spec Savers Screening

On **Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> February** Spec Savers will be screening the vision of all of our students for free. If you do not want your child to be screened, please advise our school office asap.

Any issues picked up from screening will be advised by a letter sent home. Community service card holders can get subsidies for further testing and glasses.



**Te rerenga korero:**

**Whakamaaua tō pōtae**

Put on your hat.

## 2023 Start Date & School Terms

- Term 1: Tuesday 31 January to Thursday 6 April  
Term 2: Wednesday 26 April to Friday 30 June  
Term 3: Monday 17 July to Friday 22 September  
Term 4: Monday 9 October to Thursday 14 December

## Coming up:

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| Mon 20 Feb | BoT meeting 5.30pm  |
| Tue 21 Feb | Spec Savers screening   |
| Wed 22 Feb | Year 7&8 immunisation discussion                                  |
| Thu 23 Feb | School beginners' evening 5.45pm                                  |
| Fri 24 Feb | Senior swimming sports at 11am                                    |
| Fri 24 Feb | Junior swimming demo at 2pm                                       |
| Wed 1 Mar  | Room 6 shorebird trip   |
| Thu 2 Mar  | <b>School Closing at 12 noon</b> for teachers' paid union meeting |

## HPV Immunisation Talk

On **Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> February** at 9am the public health nurse will be talking to our Year 7 students about the HPV immunisation programme



## Senior Swimming Sports

**Next Friday 24<sup>th</sup> February** our senior students will be competing in our senior swimming sports from 11am here at school.

Students may dress in their house colours to support their teams.



## Junior Swimming Demonstrations

Families are welcome to come along to our junior swimming demonstrations **next Friday 24<sup>th</sup> starting at 2.00pm** here in our pool. Whanau are welcome to come along to cheer them on.



Moanataiari School invites you  
to our

## *School Beginners'* **EVENING**



**GIVE YOUR CHILD THE BEST  
BEGINNING**

**THURSDAY February 23rd 5:45 PM to 6:45 PM  
MOANATAIARI SCHOOL**

- Come and see our beautiful junior space
- Get top tips on preparing your child for school
- Discover how our unique learning programmes in reading, writing and maths are gearing learners for success



Please let us know if you will be  
attending:  
email: [juliew@moana.school.nz](mailto:juliew@moana.school.nz)  
phone: 07 868 6504



### **Advance Notice of Teachers' Paid Union Meeting**

On **Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> March** school will close early at  
12.00 noon so that our teachers can attend a paid  
union meeting in the afternoon.

### **Moanataiari After-School Care**

Our after-school care service will continue to run  
from our school kitchen. The service is  
structured with homework supervision and  
assistance as well as fun activities with our very  
experienced and qualified teacher aide, Donna  
Weir. Bookings can be made through our school  
office (868 6504) or by contacting Donna directly  
on 027 547 9407. Casual or regular bookings  
cost \$7.00 per hour per child.



### **Pukorokoro Miranda Shorebird Centre Trips**

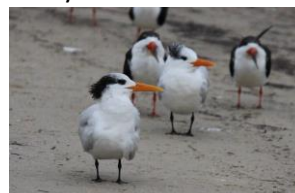
Our senior classes are studying the local migratory  
birds and will be visiting the shorebird centre to  
listen to talks about the shorebirds and have a  
guided viewing of the birds.

Each class has sent home a permission slip and  
transport assistance request. Please return these  
asap. ***There is a \$5 fee per student which can be  
paid at the school office.***

Room 6 – Wednesday 1 March 11am

Room 2 – Thursday 9 March

Room 7 – Thursday 16 March



### **Moana Composters**

Moana Composters is well underway and it is  
great to have some of our families involved. We  
have a few containers left so if you would like to  
take part in this initiative, please let the office  
know and we can set you up.

Mila (Room 6) and her family are part of Moana  
Composters and here's what they have to say  
about it:

*Our family is really enjoying being a part of  
Moanataiari Composters. It's great to see our  
food scraps are not going to landfill and seeing  
the worms in the compost bins when we empty  
them (even though they are smelly). The  
compost will be amazing for the garden and we  
can't wait to see what delicious fruit and veges  
it will help grow.*



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## Community Notices

### The Incredible Years FREE Online Parenting Programme

(for parents of children aged 3-8 years)

14 weekly sessions held via zoom

Starting 8<sup>th</sup> March 2023 from 9.30am – 12pm

To register or for further information contact Jo on  
027 429 3688, CAPS Hauraki

### After School Creativity Club

3.30 and 5.30pm at the Creativity Room

517 Pollen Street, Thames

Explore painting, drawing, papier mache, mask making, print making and much more.

\$25 per session, which includes all materials.

Limited to 8 per session.

For more info or to book a space phone Deb on  
021 258 0078.

**RAISE SOME DOUGH**  
FOR  
**MOANATAIARI SCHOOL**  
3PM TO 9 PM  
WEDNESDAY 8 MARCH 2023

**\$1** FROM EACH PIZZA\* SOLD WILL BE DONATED TO HELP FUND THE SCHOOL'S END OF YEAR JUNIOR TRIP (EDUCATION OUTSIDE THE CLASSROOM)

**DOMINO'S THAMES**  
640 POLLEN STREET  
THAMES

\*Excludes mini pizzas

DOWNLOAD THE DOMINO'S APP @ 0800 30 40 50 DOMINOS.NZ

**GIVE IT A GO!**  
**SUPER SMASH HUB**  
YR 1-4 & 5-8  
60 MINUTES  
\$30 FOR 6 WEEKS

**CATCH! STRIKE! THROW!**

LOCATION	AGE	DAY	START & END	TIME
Albert Park, Te Awamutu	YR 1-4	Fri	24 Feb - 31 Mar	4.30pm
Sherwin Park, Te Awamutu	YR 5-8	Sun	19 Feb - 26 Mar	10am
Centennial Park, Paeroa	YR 1-4	Wed	22 Feb - 29 Mar	4.30pm
John Kerkhof Park, Cambridge	YR 1-4	Fri	17 Feb - 24 Mar	5.30pm
Moewai Sports Park, Whitianga	YR 1-4	Mon	20 Feb - 27 Mar	3.30pm
Morrinsville Recreation Ground	YR 1-4	Fri	24 Feb - 31 Mar	4.30pm
Hugh Hayward Park, Ngatea	YR 1-4	Mon	20 Feb - 27 Mar	4pm
Pohlen Park, Matamata	YR 1-4	Mon	20 Feb - 27 Mar	5pm
Rhodes Park, Thames	YR 1-4	Fri	24 Feb - 31 Mar	4pm
Tairua School	YR 1-4	Mon	20 Feb - 27 Mar	3.45pm
Te Aroha College	YR 1-4	Wed	22 Feb - 29 Mar	4pm
Te Kauwhata Domain	YR 1-4	Tue	21 Feb - 28 Mar	4pm
Te Kuiti Domain	YR 1-4	Tue	21 Feb - 28 Mar	4pm
Waihi College	YR 1-4	Fri	24 Feb - 31 Mar	4pm
Whangamata Area School	YR 1-4	Tue	22 Feb - 29 Mar	3.15pm

REGISTER VIA [NDCRICKET.CO.NZ/PLAY](https://ndcricket.co.nz/play) - TURN OVER FOR MORE INFORMATION

## CHILDRENS DAY

**1st Sunday in March**  
**10am to 2pm**

Victoria Park Thames

**FREE FOOD & ACTIVITIES**



Homebased childcare available in the Thames area. Spaces available for children to join our little team of awesomeness. Megan has been an early childhood educator for 13 years and believes in nurturing every child and help them to flourish. As part of our weekly curriculum, we attend many community groups such as Playcentre, tumble tots and library time. To discover more about the opportunities I offer, call JeMMA's for more details and/or arrange a visit to meet me. I am more than happy for you to talk with the other parents I currently care for to help you with making your decision. You can reach JeMMA's on 0800536627. To learn more, click the link:

<https://www.jemmas.co.nz/educators/megan/>

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