



Newsletter

Monday 10th March 2025

Kia ora tātou

A huge thank you to everyone who helped at our last minute working bee the other weekend. It has made a great improvement to our grounds.

Thank you also to all of our helpers at our recent senior swimming sports.

Welcome back to Miss Hinds-Haye. Louise will be working in Room 1 Moanataiari with Kirsty Bain in a job share role. They will be working week on, week off, with Louise starting next week.

We are aware of some parents/caregivers using our neighbours' driveways (parking in and across driveways), which makes it extremely difficult for them to get in and out. Please be mindful when parking around our school.

We also often see people parking or stopping on yellow lines. Please avoid this as well. Broken yellow lines are placed in areas where parking would cause an obstruction or danger to other road users and pedestrians. You cannot stop, wait or park at any time where there are broken yellow lines.

There are many parking spaces around our school that can be used, so please park or stop safely at all times.

Our caretaker, Colleen, recently resigned so we are looking for a new caretaker. Please see our advertisement in this newsletter for further details if you would like to apply, or know of someone suitable.

David Brock, Principal – Tumuaki

2024 Start Date & School Terms

Term 1: Thursday 30 January to Friday 11 April

Term 2: Monday 28 April to Friday 27 June

Coming up:

Fri 14 Mar	Y7&8 vaccinations
Wed 12 Mar	Hockey Big Day Out
Fri 21 Mar	Thames Valley swimming sports
Thu 3 Apr	Room 1 conferences
Mon 7 Apr	Student reports sent home
Wed 9 Apr	EPro8 Y7&8
Thu 10 Apr	EPro8 Y5&6
Thu 10 Apr	Parent/caregiver interviews
Fri 11 Apr	Last day for term one
Mon 28 Apr	Term two starts

Hockey Big Day Out

Our Hockey Big Day out is this Wednesday the 12th of March at the Ngatea Domain.

Thank you to all the parents that are able to help out on the day.

The competition starts at 9.15am, so all students will need to be at school by 8.00am. We will need time when we get there to find our spot, put up the gazebo, and organise teams.

We haven't been sent a timetable of the day as yet, so we cannot tell you what times the teams are playing. This usually comes out just before the day.

Your child will need to bring:

Mouthguard and shin pads (optional but recommended)

A big lunch and drink of water, sunhat and sunblock, and covered shoes.

School sports shirts will be given out tomorrow. Students wear school jumpers only and dark blue shorts or long pants.

Any medication necessary eg. inhalers etc.

Car seats if necessary for your child.

The competition is scheduled to end at 2.15pm so we will be home before or at 3.00pm.

There is a small canteen there which will be selling a small selection of snack foods and drinks. If your child is bringing money with them, please make sure it is securely packed so it doesn't get lost.

Please contact either Matua Clay or Debbie Trenwith if you have any concerns or queries.

Room 6 and 9 Camp to Finlay Park

Could we please have your child's permission slip in for camp as soon as possible so we know the number of students and parents coming.

Also, **if you need to be police vetted, please see Joanne or Julie as soon as possible.**

All deposits need to be paid by Friday the 4th of April.

Thank you for your support.



Junior School Fundraiser

Our junior school are running **the Hot Cross Buns Fundraiser once again**, this time to support their end of year activities! This was a very successful fundraiser last year and the Hot Cross Buns are delicious. We ask again for your help with this. Any families within the school (junior or senior) are welcome to buy or sell.

We'd love for you to sell to family members, friends and neighbours. We need to have a minimum of 100 orders. Each pack contains six Hot Cross Buns and flavours are Traditional, Chocolate and Cranberry. They are \$5.20 each.

Order forms and money need to be back at school no later than **Tuesday 1st April 2025.**

Each child/family will be responsible for the orders they collect, so please ensure a parent or caregiver accompanies them to gather orders. If we receive any queries about an order, we will direct them to the parent in charge.

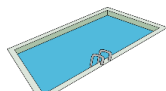
Thank you for your support!

Ngā mihi,



Swimming at School

Our school pool will be closing for swimming at the end of this week.



Uniform Reminder

All students must wear our correct school uniform during school hours. Our uniform consists of:

School polo shirt with school logo

Plain navy shorts/skorts/pants (not black or denim)

Plain navy sweatshirt or navy polar fleece with school logo

Navy bucket hat/navy wide brim hat

Shoes: covered, flat/practical that child is free to run and walk in (no heels)

Hair: long hair must be tied up for protection against nits

Jewellery: watches, stud/sleeper earrings only.

(If a student has taonga that they wish to wear at school, a letter must be written to the principal for approval first.)

Please put your child's name on ALL ITEMS OF CLOTHING. In the swimming season all clothing, togs and towels should be named and swimming gear brought to school in a water-proof bag.

If students are not able to wear uniform, for whatever reason, a note to the class teacher explaining is required. If assistance with uniform purchase is needed, please talk to the Principal for a supporting letter to WINZ. On-going non-compliance with uniform is considered to be a discipline issue. Second-hand uniform is available from Room 8 for a gold coin donation.

Head Lice

We have noticed a few cases of nits in childrens' hair recently so please tie up long hair to help stop the transfer of these little critters.

If you notice nits in your child's hair use an appropriate treatment until they are cleared.



Te rerenga korero:

Kei te whakarongo koe – are you listening?

Ae, kei te whakarongo ahau - yes, I am listening.

Community Notices

GIVEAWAYS, FREE FOOD,
GAMES, HANG OUTS, SPOT
PRIZES, INDOOR B-BALL, LIVE
MUSIC, GUEST SPEAKER

FREE EVENT



BEACON
YOUTH NIGHT

**THURS
10
APRIL**

7PM - 9PM

SCHOOL YEARS 7 - 13
THAMES ELIM CHURCH BY
THE WHARF

Moanatairi After-School Care

Our after-school care service will continue to run from our school kitchen and Room 4 library. 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.



#T-RAP '25

T-RAP (Thames Rangatahi
Advisory Panel) 2025-application
form



SCAN THE QR CODE
APPLICATIONS CLOSE
WEDNESDAY 12TH MARCH, 8PM

101 Kuranui Street, Thames * Phone 07 868 6504 * Email: office@moana.school.nz

Moanatairi School Bank Account: ANZ Thames 01 0455 0108122 01

MOANATAIARI SCHOOL

CARETAKER/CLEANER

Moanataiari School is looking for a reliable Caretaker and/or Cleaner to help maintain a clean, safe, and welcoming environment for our tamariki and staff. This role can be combined or split depending on the applicants' skills.



Duties may include

- ✓ include:
General maintenance and minor repairs
- ✓ Keeping school grounds tidy and safe
- ✓ Daily cleaning of classrooms, bathrooms, shared spaces
- ✓ Driving a manual van for school-related tasks
- ✓ Responding to security alerts when required

The successful candidate will:

- ✓ Be hardworking and proactive
- ✓ Have good attention to detail
- ✓ Hold a valid driver's licence
- ✓ Be able to work independently
- ✓ Be comfortable working with children, staff and community
- ✓ Pass a police vetting process (organised by the school)

APPLY NOW



www.moana.school.nz



07 868 6504

Send Your CV and a brief cover letter to

principal@moana.school.nz by
Wednesday 19th March,
4:00pm





HOT CROSS BUNS

CUSTOMER PRE-ORDER SHEET

Name: _____

Team: _____

All buns are \$5.20 per 6 pack with the choice of:

Traditional Hot Cross Buns

Choc Cross Buns

Cranberry Cross Buns

\$1.20 from every pack sold will be donated to:

Moanataiari School Junior School Boy Activities

NAME	PHONE	TRADITIONAL 6PK	CHOC 6PK	Cranberry 6PK	TOTAL OWING	NOTES/COMMENTS
Joe Bloggs	02123456	3	2	3	\$41.60	
Total:					\$	

Please return to: Moanataiari School Office Date: By 1 April 2025

A promise. Made good.

Hot Cross Bun Fundraiser January 2025