



MOANATAIARI SCHOOL

Newsletter

Monday 15th May 2023

2023 Start Date & School Terms

Term 2: Wednesday 26 April to Friday 30 June
Term 3: Monday 17 July to Friday 22 September
Term 4: Monday 9 October to Friday 15 December

Coming up:

Tue 16 May NYLD event in Hamilton 7.15am
Tue 16 May Teen esteem for R7 Year 7s
Tue 16 May Res Kids
Tue 16 May Pie orders arrive
Thu 18 May Beginners Evening
Fri 19 May Pink shirt day – gold coin
Mon 29 May BoT meeting 5.30pm

Kia ora tātou

Due to the renovation of Rooms 8 & 9 and tradespeople needing access, there will be no crossing at the Kuranui Street pedestrian crossing. Please use alternative entry and exit gates until Term 3.

17 of our senior students are participating in the National Young Leaders Day tomorrow in Hamilton. I am sure they will all benefit immensely from this experience.

Once again we are holding our Beginners Evening this Thursday and ask you to encourage any parents of children nearing 5 years old to come along and find out what we can offer their children at our school.

David Brock, Principal – Tumuaki

National Young Leaders Day – Year 8s

We will be leaving school at **7.15am tomorrow morning** and hope to return by 4.00pm. Please wear a tidy uniform and bring your lunch and drink bottle.



Beginners Evening

This **Thursday 18th May at 5.45pm in Room 4** we are holding our beginners evening. Get top tips for preparing your child for school and discover how our unique learning programmes in reading, writing and maths are gearing learners for success.



Oxford Pie Junior Fundraiser

Many thanks to everyone who placed pie orders. These will be delivered to school on **Tuesday 16th May**.



Please bring bags and/or boxes to take your order home in. Many thanks to everyone who has supported us in this fundraiser.



Remember to wear something pink **this Friday**, bring your gold coin donation to the office, and check out this link: <https://pinkshirtday.org.nz/>.

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Rippa Rugby

Only one person has offered to help with our 4 teams that will be competing at the end of this month. Interested students will bring a note home this week which needs to be signed and returned, if there is no help we will not be entering these teams. Please see Mrs Saunders if you can help.



Here is some great writing from Room 2 for last week's sign language week.



Sign language is something to communicate by using our hands, actions or even expressions. Sign language is the language people use when they cannot hear or speak. Sign language is important because we can make people who can't hear feel included. Surprisingly, we can use sign language anywhere in New Zealand. Using sign language you can help people understand what you're saying when they cannot hear. Interestingly, ASL is American sign language. We should all learn sign language to communicate with other people. We can make people feel special and included by using sign language. By Mehar

Te rerenga korero:

Hoki atu ki tō tūru

Go back to your seat.

Gymsports

Training for the Gymfest festival, to be held on Friday 23rd June, will be at **lunchtime on Fridays** in Room 1.



Teen Esteem

Room 6 Year 7s enjoyed their day with the Teen Esteem facilitators last week. Room 7 Year 7's will spend the day with the facilitators tomorrow (Tuesday 16th May).



Sign language is vital to the expression of deaf culture and identity. Deaf culture is well documented and includes shared values, behaviors, history, humor, art, stories, poetry, and traditions of deaf people. Deaf culture is passed on from generation to generation through New Zealand. New Zealand is called NZSL. It allows them to participate in conversation on an equal footing with others. Sign language is one of the most important, natural, and accessible means of communication for the vast majority of deaf and hard of hearing people. It became an official language in April 2006. We should all respect and understand deaf culture. This will make these people feel special. By Isla

CALLING ALL SCHOOL AGED ARTISTS!

The Seagull Centre is turning 17! and to celebrate we are running a competition to design a MURAL!
We have 3 walls that need jazzing up!
So that means 3 winners!

The Seagull Centre is moving in a new direction to drive the circular economy while promoting the 6 R's and we are looking for ways to promote this.

We are inviting school age applicants to create a mural that reflects the Seagull Centres direction.

Enter as a group or an individual.

Prezzie card prizes to the total value of \$1000.

Applications close 23rd June.

Winners announced at our party on the 1st July.

Entries accepted via email (info@seagullcentre.co.nz) or in store, please include your name, age and contact number.



ABOUT BULLYING

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What is bullying?

It isn't uncommon to hear someone say something insensitive or mean to someone else. Although these comments or actions are not okay, bullying has some specific features that make it much more serious and harmful.

- Bullying is deliberate - harming another person intentionally
- Bullying involves a misuse of power in a relationship
- Bullying is usually not a one-off - it is repeated, or has the potential to be repeated over time
- Bullying involves behaviour that can cause harm - it is not a normal part of growing up (Ministry of Education, n.d.).¹

What does it look like?

Bullying can be:



PHYSICAL

- hitting, tripping up



VERBAL

- insults, threats
- called names, teasing



SOCIAL

- spreading gossip or
- excluding people



CYBERBULLYING

- bullying online, via the internet, mobile phones and social media. It's a common form of bullying, especially amongst young people (Steiner-Fox, 2016).²

Please support Pink Shirt Day this Friday

Moanataiari School invites you
to our

School Beginners' **EVENING**



**GIVE YOUR CHILD THE BEST
BEGINNING**

**THURSDAY May 18th 5:45 PM
MOANATAIARI SCHOOL, RM 4**

- Come and see our beautiful junior space
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Please let us know by Tuesday 16th May
if you will be attending:
email: juliew@moana.school.nz
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