



MOANATAIARI SCHOOL

Newsletter

Monday 29th May 2023

Kia ora tātou

*Fortunately the teachers' strike on Wednesday this week has been averted, but unfortunately we will need to close our school at **1.00pm this Wednesday** while staff attend a paid union meeting. Hopefully, an agreement will be reached shortly.*

Our whanau meeting will now be held on Wednesday 7th June at 3pm.

David Brock, Principal – Tumuaki

Please Note

**School will close at 1.00pm
this Wednesday 31st May**

while our teachers attend a paid union meeting.

Basketball Games

Our Year 7 & 8 students have been offered an opportunity to play against Saint Francis School this **Friday 2nd June and Friday 9th June**. This Friday's games will take place at Saint Francis School and the following Friday at our school.



Te rerenga korero:

Haere main ki konei - Come over here

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:

Mon 29 May BoT meeting 5.30pm

Tue 30 May Res Kids here

Wed 31 May School closes at 1.00pm

Fri 2 Jun Y7&8 basketball at St Francis 1pm

Fri 2 Jun Gymnastics practise 3pm

Mon 5 Jun King's Birthday holiday

Tue 6 Jun Rippa Rugby tournament

Wed 7 Jun Whanau meeting at 3pm

Fri 9 Jun Y7&8 basketball here at 1pm

Rippa Rugby Tournament

Unfortunately, our Rippa Rugby tournament has been postponed from Wednesday 31st May to **TUESDAY 6th JUNE** (after King's Birthday weekend). Thank you to those that have let the office know whether you can still help/or not help.

These are the managers of our teams and will help transport our students to Rhodes Park on Tuesday 6th June:

Year 5 & 6 Girls - Melissa Krishna

Year 5 & 6 Girls - Danielle Aitcheson

Year 5 & 6 Boys - Geogie Corry

Year 7 & 8 Girls - Daniel Newton

Year 7 & 8 Boys - Kiri Stockman.

These people have offered to help with transport Justin Gill, Lisa Donaldson, Russell Kidd, Ngaio Hodson.

Without this help, we could not enter as many teams. THANK YOU. Please let the office know ASAP if you can no longer fulfill this commitment.

Once the draw is out Mrs Saunders will send a note home with all students that are playing. We continue to train for this event during class time, and Mr Howes has offered further training at lunchtime.



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Precision Writing Samples From Room 6

At our recent Writer's Toolbox professional development session, the facilitator said that in writing the 4 main areas that students are failing or under achieving in NCEA exams are: control over sentence styles, lack of depth, paragraph styles and precision. Precision covers things like dates, times, places, amounts, names, statistics etc.

Hearing this reinforced for us that implementing Writer's Toolbox in our school is giving our students the best chance of success in writing. These four areas are the main focuses for Writer's Toolbox for both students and teachers.

Here are two great examples of the precision writing room 6 students have been practising. We read an article from Kiwikids News in line with our topic work. The students then had to identify and choose 3 or 4 pieces of precision they wanted to use and include these in their expansion (small paragraph) rewrite of the article in their own words.

Mt Etna Eruption

On Sunday the 21st of May, the biggest volcano in Italy, called Mt Etna erupted creating an incredible sight. Mt Etna is a special volcano because it erupts several times a year. But what does that mean for the city of Catania near the volcano? This time, the volcano released a huge cloud of ash that fell like darkness over the city. I hope everyone is safe.

Alivia Takiwa, Year 6

Mt Etna Eruption

In Italy on Sunday the 21st of May, there was a massive volcano eruption in the great city of Catania from Mt Etna, the biggest volcano in Italy. It even covered the streets with ash and gritty dust. It erupts several times a year. It exploded with lava or hot magma which provided a pretty good show (not), but scientists like it (I guess).

Bayley David Year 7

Gymfest

Lisa Donaldson has been kindly training our students who are interested in entering the Gymfest. Training is on Tuesdays at lunchtime and Fridays 1.30-3.00 pm. A notice will go home late next week with further details about this event which will be held Friday 23rd June.



Census 2023

We are supporting Stats NZ to encourage everyone to complete the 2023 Census. So, this is a reminder that you need to return your census forms if you have not done so already.

Census data is used to make important decisions that affect us all. The census is the official count of people living in Aotearoa New Zealand, and everyone who was in the country on Census Day, 7 March 2023, is required by law to complete a census form.

Your participation will help ensure that our community receives funding for services for the number of people that live in our community. That includes education, health, and social services.

To complete the census, you can do it online at www.census.govt.nz using one of the access codes provided in the letters sent to your household. Or you can fill out paper census forms if you have them. To request a new access code or paper forms, freephone 0800 236 787 (0800 CENSUS) or order online at www.census.govt.nz.

The 2023 Census closes on 30 June, so you should do them online now or as soon as practicable. Ensure your paper forms are posted so they arrive with Stats NZ by 30 June.

Community News

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.



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JULY 10-14 FOR CAMPERS YR 3-8
\$30 per DAY 830am to 430pm each day

Register today! Important INFO below

School Years 3-8, Ages 7-12

Date: Monday 10 July 2023 - Friday 14 July 2023

Cost: \$30/day or \$150 for the week

Drop Offs: 8:30 am

Pick Ups: 4.30 pm

Samanda Teo

Kauaeranga Valley Christian Camp

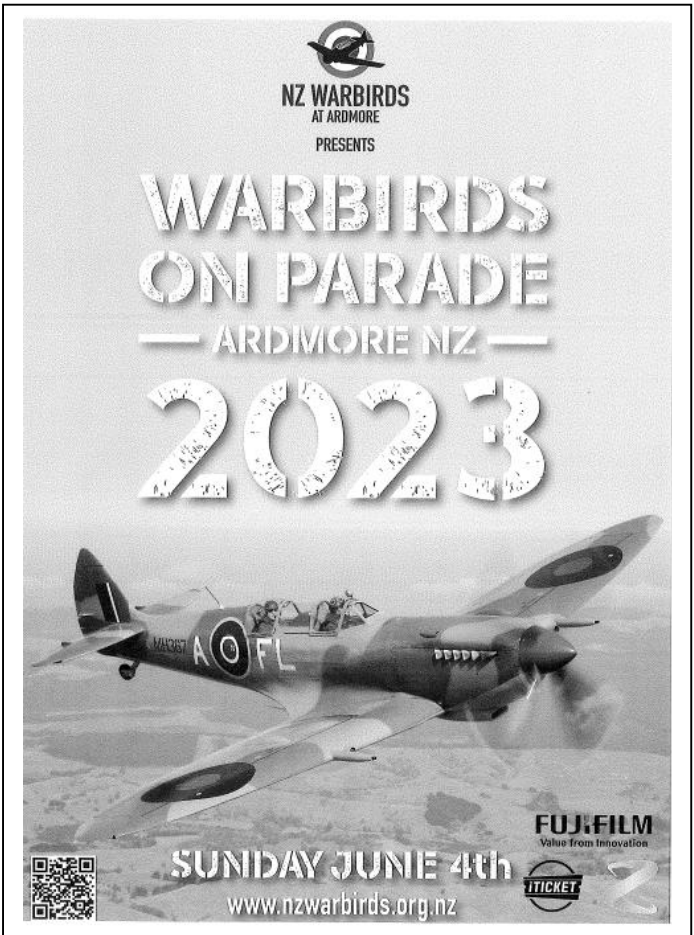
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The dental service for children is now based at Te Korowai on Richmond Street. Their contact number is **021 356 297**.

