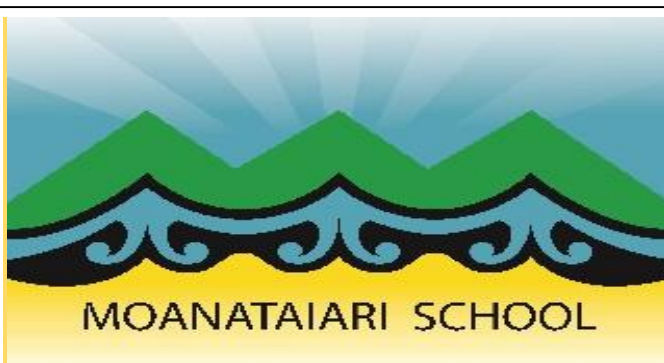




Newsletter

Monday 24th November 2025

Kia ora tātou

Many thanks to everyone involved with our many camps held last week. Your organisation and assistance makes these adventures possible and so successful.

We have our biennial pet day coming up this Thursday. Please see more information in this newsletter for pet drop-off times, etc.

We also have our school beginners' evening tomorrow. If you know of any prospective new entrants for next year, please let them know about this event.

David Brock, Principal – Tumuaki

Year 8 Leaver's Dinner.

Our Leaver's Dinner is coming up next week, Tuesday 2nd December, Thames Golf Club at 6.00pm.

The price for each student and family member is \$26.50 each. The dinner needs to be paid for at the school office **by Tuesday 25th November latest.**



School Library Books

Please return any school library books to your classroom by the end of this week, thank you.



2025 School Terms

Term 4: Monday 6 October to Monday 15 December

2026 Start Date & School Terms

Term 1: Tuesday 27th January to Thursday 2 April

Term 2: Monday 20 April to Friday 3 July

Term 3: Monday 20 July to Friday 25 September

Term 4: Monday 12 October to Tuesday 15 Dec

Coming up:

Tue 25 Nov	School beginners evening 5.15pm
Wed 26 Nov	BoT meeting 5.30pm
Thu 27 Nov	Pet Day
Tue 2 Dec	Year 8 leavers dinner
Wed 3 Dec	PTA meeting 5.15pm
Thu 4 Dec	Helpers Afternoon Tea 3pm
Sat 6 Dec	Thames Santa parade
Wed 10 Dec	End of year prize-giving
Fri 12 Dec	Junior carnival - cancelled
Mon 15 Dec	PTA mufti day
Mon 15 Dec	Term 4 ends

Moanataiari School invites you
to our

School Beginners' EVENING



GIVE YOUR CHILD THE BEST BEGINNING

TUESDAY 25 NOVEMBER - 5:15 PM
MOANATAIARI SCHOOL

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

Bookings essential
RSVP BY MONDAY 24 NOVEMBER
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Room 1 and Room 3 students at their overnight experience last week:



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Here are some of our senior Room 6 and 9 students enjoying their camp at Finlay Park:



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Pet Day this Thursday 27th November



We look forward to welcoming you to our **biennial Pet Day this Thursday 27 November 2025**. This is a special event for our tamariki, whānau, and wider school community.

Animal Wellbeing and Safety

The safety and well-being of all animals and students is a priority. Please ensure:

- **Dogs must be on a lead and under control at all times.**
- Only bring dogs that are **calm and comfortable** around children and other dogs.
- All pets must have access to **shade and water**.
- **Caged animals** are to be taken directly to the **kitchen area** upon arrival.

Programme for the Day

9.00 am – Students create indoor exhibits in their classrooms

10.50–11.30 am – Morning tea and *judging of indoor exhibits*

11.30–12.00 pm – Students view other class exhibits

12.00 pm – Pets arrive and are settled (dogs on leads; caged pets to the kitchen)

12.15 pm – **Picnic lunch** on the **grass area by the basketball court**

Juicies will be on sale for \$2.00 each and sausages for \$3.00 each.

All proceeds support the Year 8 leavers' dinner.

12.30pm – Pet judging begins (various fun categories)

1.30pm – Prize-giving

Early Departure Option

If you are attending Pet Day, you are welcome to take your child home after **prize-giving at 1.30pm**. Please sign them out with their classroom teacher before leaving. Students without a parent attending will remain at school until the usual end of day at 3pm.

We look forward to seeing you and celebrating a fun, safe, and family-friendly Pet Day together.

