

Newsletter

Monday 16th October 2023

Kia ora tātou

We have a number of fun and fund raising events coming up and I look forward to catching up with many of you at the various occasions.

David Brock, Principal – Tumuaki

Sunhat Reminder

All students <u>must wear a plain navy sunhat</u> when outdoors during school time throughout Term 4 and Term 1. Students without a sunhat must play under the outdoor covered area.



Domino's Fund Raiser

Domino's Thames is very kindly organising another Raise Your Dough evening and these proceeds will also go towards our pool project. Grab yourself a pizza or two on **Wednesday 18th October**. For every pizza sold, Moanataiari School will receive \$1.00.



Te rerenga korero:

He pātai pai tēnā That's a good question

2023 School Term 4

Term 4: Monday 9 October to Friday 15 December

2024 Start Date

Term 1: Tuesday 30 January

Coming up:

Tue 17 Oct Pet Day

Wed 18 Oct Y8 immunisations 9.30am Wed 18 Oct Domino's pizza fund raiser

Thu 19 Oct Shakeout 9.25am

Mon 23 Oct Labour Day

Tue 24 Oct BoT meeting 5.30pm
Wed 25 Oct Whanau group meeting

Thu 26 Oct School Athletics

Sat 28 Oct Moanataiari School Gala Ball Wed 1 Nov Thames Interschool Athletics

Pet Day

Pet Day will be held on **Tuesday 17**th **October, tomorrow!**

Each class will make and/or present items they have made for judging in the morning.

Pets are to arrive at 12 noon. Animals must be secured by a leash or cage and have water available. Caged animals are to go into the kitchen.

Families are welcome to join us for a picnic lunch on the grass at 12 noon.

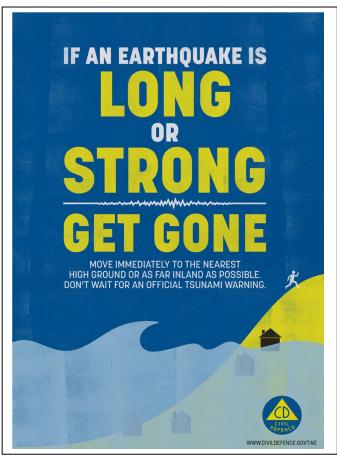
Food will be for sale from 12 noon: \$3 sausages and \$2 juicies.

Pets will be judged for:

smallest, biggest, fluffiest, smoothest, silkiest, cutest face, most colourful, longest tail, best buddy, best behaved, best agility, and best tricks. The day will finish at our usual 3pm.







Senior Athletics

We are running our senior school athletics event for students 8 years and older on **Thursday 26th October.** The save day will be Friday 27th.

TIME	10.00-10.40	10.40-11.20	11.20-12.00	12.00-12.40	12.40-1.00	1.00-1.40	1.40 - 2.20
EVENTS					LUNCH		12+ 800m
High Jump	12+	11	10	9		8	
Sprints	8	12+	11	10		9	11 800m
Long Jump	9	8	12+	11		10	
Discuss	10	9	8	12+		11	10 800m
Shot	11	10	9	8		12+	RELAYS for a ages

Teacher Aide Wanted

We require a teacher aide at Moanataiari School 4 hours per day, 5 days per week from Monday 24 October until 15 December 2023. If you, or someone you know, are interested in this position please contact our school office on 868 6504.

Reminder to Rooms 3, 5 and 1 Parents/Caregivers

Please return slips for MOTAT and the Christmas production.

Thames Interschool Athletics

Moanataiari School is hosting the interschool athletics on **Wednesday 1 November** (save day Friday 3rd November). If you can help with time keeping for the running events please see Andrea Saunders.



Leavers Dinner Fundraiser

Is there any year 8 parent that can help sell sausages and juicies at the interschool athletics event that we are hosting on Wednesday 1st November?

Please see Andrea Saunders if you can help.

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Here is some great writing from Room 6:

If I Were Prime Minister...

Lower Petrol Prices:

If I were Prime Minister I would cut the prices of gas. This is because some families don't get to see each other for months, sometimes even years. By cutting the costs more people get to see their families more often.

More Homes For The Homeless:

I believe that everyone deserves to have a place to live. No matter how good or bad their past was. This goes for kids too, it's not their fault that their parents may have made some mistakes in life, we all do.

Lower Tax Or No Tax:

Some, but not all people have the opportunity to get a job. This is sometimes a choice and sometimes not, so for the people who don't have a choice and have NO job it can be hard to afford most food products because of the higher tax rate. So if I was prime minister I would lower tax prices or get rid of them completely.

By August Reid

If I were Prime Minister...

Have you ever wondered what you would do if you were the prime minister? If I were prime minister first I would lower the petrol prices. I would lower them so families would feel better about fueling up. Families might be too scared to fuel up because it's too expensive.

Second, I would take tax off food. The food prices are insane at the moment and they will keep rising. Food is an essential thing to live but some people starve because they can't afford food.

Third water bills. Out where I live we have to pay water bills but we can't even drink our water because it's too dirty. But in the olden days they didn't have to pay water bills. Water should be provided by the government for free.

By Lily Roath

If I Were Prime Minister

If I were prime minister, I would ban vape shops all around NZ, then I would make sure no one vapes. I'd give people a whole month to get rid of it.

Lowering university fees would be very helpful for people who don't have much money to pay. Going to university can help out with getting degrees and good jobs. If I was prime minister I would lower university fees because it would be really useful for everyone. I would probably make everyone recycle properly because of our pollution rates, and the animals that are drinking water with plastic in it. No one wants that, so I would ban plastic so nothing bad happens to our country's native animals.

By Joshua Le Roux

Moanataiari School Ball

Our ball is taking place on Saturday, October 28th at The Thames on Kirkwood. If you would like to order tickets, please email

<u>kuranui@moana.school.nz</u> or private message our Facebook page. This will be a fantastic night; all proceeds will go towards our swimming pool project.



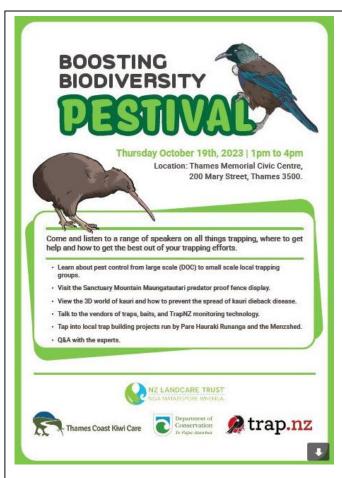
Touch Rugby

Touch rugby started for our Year 7 & 8 team last week. Our Year 5 & 6 team will have their first game this week. All students have a copy of the weekly draw.

Remember training for ALL teams is tomorrow from 5.00-6.00 on our school field. Please let your coach and manager know if you can't make it to training or the game on Thursday.

We are appreciative of the time and commitment our coaches and managers make for our teams.











Thames Athletics Club

Want to learn new skills, get outdoors, and have fun? The skills you learn in athletics are the perfect foundation for almost any sport. Every student can give athletics a go. Our local athletics club is welcoming new members now and we encourage students to get involved and get active. Contact details for all athletics clubs nationwide are available here athletics.org.nz/FindaClub and join in.



