



Newsletter

Monday 12th September 2022

Kia ora tātou

It is with much sadness that we learnt of the passing of Queen Elizabeth II at the end of last week. The government are considering a public holiday to pay our respects which will be announced shortly. On Monday 19th September we will be planting a memorial tree on our school field.

We are also very sad to learn of the passing this week of Walter Searancke and convey our condolences to his whanau. Walter often assisted our school with whakatau and aspects of cultural advice, for which we are very grateful. We would like to give a koha to Walter's family and anyone wanting to add to this amount is welcome to leave their koha at our school office.

David Brock, Principal – Tumuaki

School Speech Competitions

Congratulations to:

Year 7 & 8: 1st Byron Arnold
2nd Cleo Challis

Year 5 & 6: 1st Katelyn Sem
2nd Khloe Donaldson

Year 4: 1st Isla Higgs
2nd Lily Roath

Winners in the Year 4 category will compete at the Thames Speech Competition at Parawai School on Thursday 15th September, and winners of the Year 5 & 6, and Year 7 & 8 categories will compete on Friday 16th September.



Best of luck to all of you!

2022 Start Date & School Terms

Term 3: Monday 25 July to Friday 30 September

Term 4: Monday 17 October to Monday 19 Dec

2023 Starts

Term 1: Tuesday 31 January

Coming up:

Tue 13 Sep Votes counted for new BoT at noon
Wed 14 Sep New board in place
Thu 15 Sep Thames speech competition
Mon 19 Sep BoT meeting at 5.30pm
Wed 21 Sep Thames Valley hockey big day out
Fri 23 Sep 50th Reunion opening
23-25 Sep Moanataiari School 50th Reunion
Mon 26 Sep School reports sent home
Thu 29 Sep Parent/Teacher conferences
Fri 30 Sep End of Term 3 – **2pm finish**

50th Reunion Powhiri

On **Friday 23rd September** we are holding a Powhiri for the start of our 50th Reunion celebrations, **beginning at 9.30am**. We would very much appreciate a plate of food from each school family to go towards the kai for this event. Food can be left at our school kitchen on that day from 8.30am.

Thank you for your assistance.



Parent/Teacher Conferences

Student reports will be sent home on **Monday 16th September**, and parent/teacher conferences will be held on **Thursday 29th September**.

Bookings can be made via SkoolLoop, or manually at our school office.

Please note that school will **finish at 12 noon on Thursday 29th**.



Talking to Young Children

The importance of talking to young children, sharing memories with real intent, has never been more important. Researchers have found that quality memory sharing in early childhood creates significant wellbeing benefits later in life. How mothers share memories with their children during toddlerhood impacts mental health and well-being in early adulthood, a University of Otago study has shown.

Researchers found 21-year-olds told more coherent stories about turning points in their lives if their mothers were taught new conversational techniques two decades earlier.

These adults also reported fewer symptoms of depression and greater self-esteem compared to adults in the study whose mothers interacted with them as usual."

The study, published in Journal of [Research in Personality](#), is a long-term follow-up of a reminiscing intervention in which 115 mothers of toddlers were assigned to either a control group or taught to use elaborative reminiscing for a year.

Elaborative reminiscing involves open, enriched, and responsive conversations with children about shared experiences of everyday events. This is the first study to show long-term benefits of mother-child reminiscing for emerging adult development.

Lost Property

We have quite a lot of lost property in our lost property bin at the moment. Please check the bin if you are missing any items of clothing. There are uniform items as well as mufti clothes.



Click Happy

Last Thursday five of our senior students participated in the free Click Happy Visual Poetry learning experience here at school. They worked on writing about photos they had taken and learned about taking photos in different ways.



Moanataiari School

50th Reunion



Come and celebrate 50 years of Moanataiari School.

23rd - 25th September, 2022

- Pōwhiri
- Meet & Greet
- Morning High Tea
- Gala Dinner
- Church Service

Book your tickets by 5th September



moana.school.nz/reunion

07 868 6504

If you know of anyone wanting to come along to our 50th Reunion please remind them to register on line asap.

Registrations are still open.

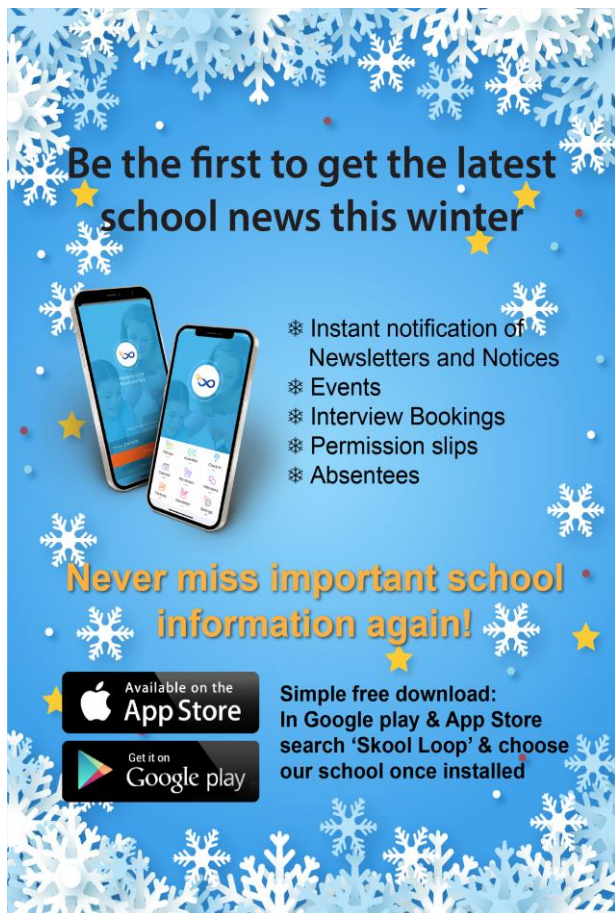
Te rerenga korero:

Kia tau, e hoki, hīkoi

Stop, go back and walk

Community Notices

Have you downloaded our school app with Skool Loop yet?



Be the first to get the latest school news this winter

- * Instant notification of Newsletters and Notices
- * Events
- * Interview Bookings
- * Permission slips
- * Absentees

Never miss important school information again!

Available on the **App Store**
Get it on **Google play**

Simple free download: In Google play & App Store search 'Skool Loop' & choose our school once installed

Bookings for our parent/teacher conferences later this term will be booked via the app, so please download it if you haven't already got it. We will be able to process manual bookings also if you are not able to use the app.

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Great News! A parent and children retreat is coming at Kauaeranga Valley this school holiday. They are organized by experienced practitioners in NZ healing industry. Here's the link to get tickets!

<https://events.humanitix.com/utopia-bush-retreat>

We welcome everyone!

Thames
MAD
Music And Drama



School Holidays Youth Drama Workshop
Saturday 1st October - Monday 3rd October 2022

Dates: Saturday 1st October - Monday 3rd October inclusive

Venue: MAD Tararu Clubrooms

Times: Every workshop day will begin at 9.30am and finish at 4pm.

Monday may have two shows for friends and family to enjoy.

Suitable for youth aged 7-15 years - no experience needed

COST: \$50 per child for the whole workshop

Participants will learn basic Drama Skills -
Voice, Stage Presence, Self-Confidence,
Improvisation Skills, Imagination, Creativity.

If you are interested, book your child/children's place on the MAD website.
www.thamesmad.co Numbers limited!

Asha Peppiatt and Sherrie Roue-Walker
Workshop tutors

Email: mad.thames@gmail.com



GIVE IT A GO!

SUPER SMASH HUB

60 MINUTES
\$30 FOR 6 WEEKS

CATCH! STRIKE! THROW!

QR code: [ndcricket.co.nz/play](https://www.ndcricket.co.nz/play)

Cricket

Years 1 to 4 at Rhodes Park, Thames

4pm Friday 4 November to Friday 9 December

Register via [NDCRICKET.CO.NZ/PLAY](https://www.ndcricket.co.nz/play)

**QUACK QUACK
its BACK!**
Te Puru Duck Race
A **FUN**draiser for
Thames Coast Community
Kindergarten

Saturday 17th Sept. 2022

**AMAZING PRIZES
CAKE STALL. COFFEE
SAUSAGE SIZZLE
RAFFLES. GAMES
FACEPAINTING
SPOT PRIZES & MORE**

11am
4 West Crescent,
Te Puru

All Welcome!

**GET INTO
CRICKET!**

→ SCHOOL YEARS 5-8
(HARD BALL CRICKET)
SEASON STARTS IN OCTOBER TILL
MID DECEMBER AND
RECOMMENCING IN TERM 1 2023.
PLAYED ON SATURDAY MORNINGS

→ SCHOOL YEARS 3-5
(SOFT BALL CRICKET)
6 WEEK TOURNAMENT IN TERM 4
AND TERM 1. PLAYED ON
THURSDAYS, A GREAT WAY TO
GET INTRODUCED INTO CRICKET



**THAMES
Cricket Club**

Come to our Muster on the 28th September @ 4pm till
5:30pm at Jack McLean Recreation Centre

REGISTER NOW!! [HTTPS://WWW.PLAYHQ.COM/NEW-ZEALAND-CRICKET/REGISTER/602803](https://www.playhq.com/new-zealand-cricket/register/602803)

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