



# Mokoia Intermediate

## Matua Rawiri's Shout Out



2020 Donations Scheme - Mokoia is opting in

### Tena Koutou Parents and Caregivers

Many of you will be aware of the Government's scheme to replace school donations with a \$150 grant per student to Decile 1-7 schools if they choose to opt in. Mokoia Intermediate School qualifies under this criteria.

When we first heard of the scheme we were delighted that this financial burden was being lifted from our community. We would all like to think that the dream of a free education for all is attainable. We waited for the detail to be developed by the Ministry with great anticipation. As this detail has developed it has been interesting that the stipulations around the \$150 sum have grown significantly, so that now the figure not only covers what was the donation, but also a raft of other school elements. We firmly believe that we want and need to opt into the donation scheme, starting in 2020, as this reduces financial expectations on our community.

Having said that we have significant reservations about the constraints that this will impose on us as we try to ensure that we provide an engaging and powerful curriculum coverage. We will of course meet the requirements prescribed by the Ministry of Education. It means that some things are going to be tight as the \$150 figure was not developed in consultation with schools but simply an arbitrary value developed for a Labour manifesto in the run up to the last election. Where we have to, and can under the guidelines, we may ask for contributions. Our aim will be to always minimize these requests but I hope you understand that if we want to offer great opportunities for our students, those extras may require further support. Those items that are classified as 'Take Home' components of Tech Arts will be charged as part of a fee as per normal. Anything that is needed for a student to access the curriculum will be free. We will not charge for any compulsory activities. I will enclose a link next week to give parents and caregivers further information on this.

Arohanui

**Matua Rawiri and the Mokoia 'A' Team We are Limitless! We are Passionate! We are Mokoia No. 1!**

## Key dates for Term 4

- Tuesday and Thursdays this term - Rotovegas Boxing Leadership programme Session 1 - 10.00am-11.00am; Session 2 - 11.00-12.00pm. Timetable and learning objectives below.
- Monday 11 November - Friday 29 November - Client schools in for Technology
- Tuesday 19 November - CBOP Interschool Athletics
- Wednesday 20 November - RBHS and RGHS orientation days
- Tuesday 26 November 5.30pm - Ahurei
- Wednesday 27 November 11am - School Production matinee
- Thursday 28 November 11am - Production matinee; 6pm Production evening performance
- Monday 2 December - Wednesday 4 December - Alternative Education Days
- Wednesday 4 December - Fill the Bus
- Thursday 5 December - School Picnic - Aquatic Pools
- Friday 6 December 5.30pm - NZEI Teacher Graduation Ceremony
- Tuesday 10 December - School Prom
- Wednesday 11 December 1.30pm - Final Assembly rehearsal and 100% attendance awards
- Thursday 12 December 10am - School Prizegiving - end of Term 4. Early finish at 12.30pm
- Friday 13 December - Teachers Only Day

Want to see our full school calendar? Follow this link: <http://bit.ly/MokCal>

## Reminders

- Have you paid for your school leased laptop? A reminder that this fee is due now.
- A reminder to year 8 whānau to return the dental notice as soon as possible so their student continues to receive free dental treatment in Year 9. See our school office if you need another sheet.

## Celebrations

👍 Cover photo - This week we have been celebrating the work of our amazing support staff. Here is Whaea Marianne, reading with a student.

By now you know we didn't win but we did learn a lot, including how to do better next year! And we are really keen. Some of the teams have competed twice a year since year 5. Thankfully, this was a fun introduction for the formal quiz in May 2020, and our voluntary competitors were all Year 7. They chose to be in friendship teams rather than strategy teams (mixing up strengths) and realise that it might be smarter to have people who know different stuff from each other.

Proudly, we were the only Rotorua school. Mokoia 2 (just who lined up first!) were in a play off to be top of one of the ten rounds, and missed by not having the quickest response to a tie breaker. Team 2 (Charlotte, Tara, Grace and Liddy) were the best of our three teams. Well done.

👍 Excellent results from our boys' 9's League team, coached by Matua Rhys. We won the competition! Thanks too, to Whaea Shannon, for her work with the girls' team.

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👍 Excellent news for Robert Rewi, who has been accepted for Dilworth School. While we hate to lose a great student, we understand the opportunities he will be given by being accepted with a scholarship to this prestigious institution. To be accepted the student must display an outstanding character, and we know he fits the bill!

Hayden Martin came second in the Rotorua Interschool Tennis tournament recently and qualified for representing Rotorua in the Waikato/BOP interschool champs, which he is attending today. Play hard!

Well done to a thoughtful and unified staff, who pulled together quickly before and during the lockdown on Tuesday. Great to see that our procedures work.

👍 For more go to our Facebook group page, Mokoia intermediate 2019 - <http://bit.ly/MokoiaFacebook>

## Merit Awards

K1	<b>Isaac Field</b> - For the hard work and perseverance you have shown in class this week while working on your story book. You took on board the feedback that was given to you and used it to ensure that you produced a quality piece of work. Well done!
Rūmaki	<b>Hāpeta Huta</b> - I kakari ai koe!
K3	<b>Maia Tibble</b> - You have been working really hard and are getting the results you deserve with your reading! Keep it up Maia! I am proud of your achievements!
K4	<b>Courtney Dawson</b> - For being a fantastic citizen of K4. In the past week, you have displayed all the school values through athletics, your classroom work and your friendships. Ka rawe!
P1	<b>Waihuia Te Whata</b> - Thank you for showing honesty and respect towards your peers and myself during an incident last week. It was greatly appreciated. Ka mau te wehi!
P2	<b>Patrick Old</b> - For your fantastic business acumen and sales skills. You have an abundant amount of persistence and energy, and when put to positive use, there is no stopping you. I look forward to hearing about your future success in the corporate world.
P3	<b>Kiedis Mattock</b> - For the perseverance and determination you have shown in reading, writing and maths. You are listening attentively and applying new strategies to solve a variety of tricky problems. Whaea Moana and I are very proud of you. Tumeke Kiedis!
P4	<b>Luke Sparks</b> - You have been working really hard working on calculating with fractions. I am proud of your achievement in this area.
W1	<b>Blayne Seach</b> - Welcome to W1, you have settled in wonderfully and become a valued and contributing member of not only our class but our learning centre.
W2	<b>Hori Ballantyne</b> - For showing Ūpokopakaru, resilience, working hard at reading and writing and being challenged with harder mahi. Whakaiti, being humble and working with a good attitude and showing respect. Well done!
W3	<b>Zandre Smit</b> - You have settled into Mokoia Intermediate with ease. You are dedicated to

	your learning and ensuring you get the most out of the opportunities that are presented to you. Well done!
W4	<b>Logan Peterson</b> - Exceptional participation in all aspects of school life. Whether working independently or as part of a group, indoors or outdoors, you work hard and do your best. What a fantastic role model you are.

## Our School Values

Haere taka mua, taka muri; kaua e whai.mp3

*Be a leader not a follower.*



These children receive values bands for outstanding and ongoing displays of our school values:

Value	Student Name
Komaitanga	Fletcher Saunders, Connor Swinyard, Caitlin Palmer, Noah Fisher, Lani Grace, Brooke Mills, Sophie Twist, Matthew Watson, Tina Kwok, Sara O'Driscoll, Eva Hayward, Liam Fraser, Shaelan Katene
Whakaiti	Jaeshantae George, Emma Downes, Brooke Weir, Alannah Short, Logan Peterson, Riley Moulin, Attiya Alderton, Ethan Partelow, Dean Richardson, Daniel Shiels
Upoko Pakaru	Clarissa Rihari, Te Hingawaka Shipgood, James Walker, Tyler Mitchell, Cody Kuka, Sam Wall, Sara O'Driscoll, Riley Muggleton, Matthew Parker, Mannat Kaur, Seini Apokotoa, JayJay Paul, Hannah Kiernan, Brock Aitchison, Eva Hayward, Freya Kedian