



# Mokoia Intermediate



## Matua Rawiri's Shout Out

### Tēnā Koutou Parents and Caregivers

Firstly, I'd like to thank our lovely ladies of Mokoia for cooking us a beautiful 'Father's Day' breakfast on Monday, it was a wonderful way to start the week. We really appreciated it. Thank you.

We continue to involve our students in as many options as possible due to Covid-19 cancelling larger gatherings. We are promoting fairness and treating others kindly among our students everyday, to further build better relationships within our school and with each other.

### Te Ngae Road Upgrade Meeting: Downer Group

At the end of September work will be starting on the upgrade of the Tarawera Road intersection, as part of the Eastern Corridor Stage One Project. They are removing the existing roundabout at the intersection, and constructing a signalised intersection. At the same time they will upgrade services in the area, including under-grounding power lines. This is a significant piece of work. For this reason they are holding two information sessions for businesses and stakeholders so you can

learn more about what you can expect to see and experience over the next nine months as they complete this work.

You are invited to attend one of these information sessions next Monday, 14 September at Lynmore Primary School Hall. The two sessions are 12pm-1.30pm and 5pm-6.30pm and are drop-in sessions so feel free to come at any time. They'll have maps and information for you, as well as members of their team who can answer any questions.

Representatives from Waka Kotahi (NZTA) WSP and Downer will be in attendance to cover all aspects of the work being undertaken.

Have a good weekend everyone!

### **Weekly Teacher Recognition: Matua Doug Maguire (Utuhina)**

**Matua Doug Maguire** is the Learning Centre Leader in Utuhina and teacher of 337 fantastic students. He is committed, accountable, independent, trusted and conscientious. He also makes good judgements, identifies risks, makes solid decisions, and can plan for the unexpected.

Matua Doug is responsible for leading Technology (Soft Materials, Hard Materials, Music, Bio-Technology) with a team of 2 other awesome teachers, he is also responsible for leading Digital technology within our school too. He is an asset to our staff and his Utuhina team. Awesome work Matua Doug!



Arohanui

### **Matua Rawiri and the Mokoia 'A' Team**

***We are Limitless! We are Passionate! We are Mokoia!***

## **Key dates for Term 3 2020**

- Wednesday 16 September - HPV final vaccination
- Thursday 17 September - interschool speech competition (ONLINE)
- Thursday 17 - Friday 18 September - BOP NIWA Science and Technology Fair, Harvest Centre \*\*\*subject to Covid levels\*\*\*
- Tuesday 22 September - Rotomaths - NEW - the 3 intermediates, at Rotorua Intermediate
- Wednesday 23 September - mufti day for child cancer - "Wacky Hair". Gold coin.
- Thursday 24 September - Mokoia Lit Quiz 9.30 - 12.30 (in school competition)
- Friday 25 September - Term 3 ends

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

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## Level 2 Protocols

Please ensure you are using our tracing app and signing in if you are in the school. At Level 2:

- Parents remain in cars when dropping children off/and picking up
- Parents park at safe distances, and farewell/pick up children from their car park area - showing awareness of safe distancing with other families
- It is preferred that children come to school by car
- Coming by foot or using bicycles, scooters and skateboards will not guarantee safe social distancing
- **\*\*\*Water fountains will be closed - children will need to bring own water bottles\*\*\***
- Children and staff will not attend if they are unwell.
- Children and staff who become unwell during the school day will be sent home

## BOP Science Fair

An update on the BOP Science Fair due to be held next week. The committee will make a final decision on the science fair next Monday 14 September once the Government Announcement on Levels is made. If we move down to Level 1 from Thursday 17 September the science fair will proceed as planned, but if we are to remain in Level 2 we will have to postpone the fair again until October in Term 3 with a date to be determined based on venue availability.

## Scion Macro / Micro Plastics Field Trip

A group of students from Whaea Krystal's science passion pathway and from the science fair have been invited to attend a field trip on Tuesday to sample plastics in the environment. A notice went home on Friday. If your student is interested and you did not receive a notice, there are still some spaces. Contact [ahyde@mokoia.school.nz](mailto:ahyde@mokoia.school.nz).

## Rotomaths

Rotomaths as a city wide competition was cancelled because of the difficulty of running it under Covid level 2. However, the three intermediate principals from Mokoia, Rotorua and Kaitao Intermediates have got together and will run a three school competition on the same day, Tuesday 22 September and during school hours (no parents can attend to reduce numbers). The students concerned had a meeting with Mrs McMurdo on Friday.

## Mokoia Lit Quiz

The BOP Kids' lit quiz is similarly off for now, with a proposed date in October when we will be at camp. We will run our own in-school competition on Wednesday 23 September.

## School Speech Contest (English)

The English medium speeches for each learning centre have now been judged and the finalists selected. We will publish these next week.

## Massey University Initiative: Healthy Active Learning

We are welcoming a team from Massey University to Mokoia Intermediate School this week and next week.

They will be looking at healthy eating and physical activity to see how a government initiative called Healthy Active Learning is helping children to be active and eat healthy food.

The team from Massey University will be at our school for a week, conducting surveys about physical activity, motivation and engagement with learning with a selection of students. Students may also be asked to wear a watch-type device to get an idea of how active our children are and how much they sleep. Our students could also be asked to take part in a focus group to talk about being active.

Parents and whānau can take part too; the team wants to get parents' perspectives on physical activity and healthy eating at school.

We'd really like to find out some information from the parents and whānau of Mokoia pupils on how they were engaged in physical activity and healthy eating. We have a short survey for you:

[https://massey.au1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\\_e5SnfFUZmmyyFJb](https://massey.au1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_e5SnfFUZmmyyFJb)

Or use the QR code at right:



Those who take part go in the draw to win a \$100 supermarket voucher.

## Digital Circus

There was a lot of excitement today with Matt Kenny and Tracey Kinloch-Jones from Digital Circus, working with teachers and students, on Digital Technology Curriculum implementation. Our students experienced coding (computational thinking) using the Edison robots, Minecraft for Education or “unplugged” activities (no device needed).

## Social Media Warning

We are sharing this link after the Ministry of Education sent us a warning about the serious nature of the content currently being shared on social media and particularly Tik Tok. We have strict filters on our school domain when students are at school; Tik Tok is part of a group of social media apps which are INAPPROPRIATE for the age group of our student cohort and therefore BLOCKED. Please be vigilant with knowing what your children are accessing at home!

[https://www.mentalhealth.org.nz/home/news/article/298/public-advisory-distressing-content-on-tiktok?fbclid=IwAR2VxrYBlwJbyG0kjJ5bEASwFXdrwGnbbDmD005AkARznUomf8tW0OE2p\\_k](https://www.mentalhealth.org.nz/home/news/article/298/public-advisory-distressing-content-on-tiktok?fbclid=IwAR2VxrYBlwJbyG0kjJ5bEASwFXdrwGnbbDmD005AkARznUomf8tW0OE2p_k)

## Football

Mokoia Intermediate played a game against Rotorua Intermediate last Tuesday, at Neil Hunt park. It was a beautiful day to be outside in the sunshine playing 'the beautiful game'. The teams were well matched; most of these players are team mates at club and rep level. It was great to relish the opportunity to represent our respective schools. The overall comradery was positive, despite being a very physical and demanding game. Both teams were focussed on the task at hand, which was evident in the score.

Mokoia Intermediate 4 Rotorua Intermediate 4

Well done to our goal scorers **Kearn Savage, Amaro Gonzalez-Diaz, Troy Dunn** and **Ben Verdonk**.

## Netball

**Netball Update from the Netball Association:**

**PRIMARY, INTERMEDIATE AND SECONDARY SCHOOL NETBALL**

There will be NO netball for these teams until we go to Alert Level 1.

Once in Level 1 a new format for games will be decided and all teams will be advised.

Currently there is a games day in the pipeline being organised which we will inform you about when more information comes to hand.

Please continue with the practices to maintain the fitness and enthusiasm for our girls.

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## Basketball

### **Rotorua Basketball Results - Wednesday 9th September**

#### **Mokoia Komaitanga** Yr 7 Boys 9 vs RIS DENNIS 55

Players of the Day - Cooper, Hauraki & Troy

A bit lopsided for our Year 7s with only 6 players tonight and had to challenge a rampant RIS Dennis top team.

#### **Mokoia Passion** Yr 8 Boys 21 vs Te Koutu Mana Tau 7/8 28

Player of the Day - Remy

#### **Mokoia Limitless** Yr 7 Boys 17 vs JPC Yr 8 Boys 19

Player of the Day - Manaaki

We led this JPC Yr 8 much taller team for the majority of the game, noticing that their smaller players never got court time. Our mistakes at their end near closing meant they got ahead. Back to the drawing board for us. A physical game.

## Hockey

### **Results from 4 September 2020 -**

Hockey:

**Team 1** played Mamaku last Friday night. It was a very close game. Our defence was on fire. They played their strongest game of the season.

Players of the day were Marea, Kalani, Lia and Madelin.

The final score was 2-1 to Mokoia.

### **Draw - Friday 11th September**

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JPC Black vs Mokoia Team 1 19:00 Turf 1

Mokoia Team 3 vs Te Koutu 19:00 Turf 2

Kaitao Mixed vs Mokoia Team 2 17:45 Turf 2

Please read the Covid 19 Guidelines for Level 2 on the Rotorua Hockey website -

<https://www.sporty.co.nz/rotoruahockey>

- Dress warmly.
- Bring a named water bottle. Water fountains are not available.

## Merit Awards

K1	<b>Nevaeh Flintoff</b> - You have come into K1 and slotted in like you've always been there. You are focused and just get on with the mahi. It's a pleasure to have you in the class.
Rūmaki	<b>Waihuia Te Whata</b> - He wairua hako i nōhou nei! <b>Shari Hayward</b> - Nei anō ko koe te hihiko a Tāwhaki!
K3	<b>Clarissa Rihari</b> - for staying on task and helping others with their mahi. Well done. Ka rawe e hine!
P1	<b>Peyton Parata</b> - for your all-round support with locating reading sites and matters technology based. You are such a whiz at applying your skills. He tumeke koe.
P2	<b>Poppy Croucher</b> - for your maturity when leading your peers. Your communication skills were evident when delivering your speech. However, it is your humble and authentic approach that gives your words true meaning. He aha te kai a te rangatira? He kōrero, he kōrero, he kōrero. <b>Ashleigh Randall</b> - for your authentic approach, when delivering your speech. Ashleigh, your open and clear communicative style, displays courage beyond your years. He aha te kai a te rangatira? He kōrero, he kōrero, he kōrero.
P3	<b>Hanae Tsunokawa</b> - For the amazing job you did of your 'Once' novel study. You showed maturity, understanding and empathy in your answers. You always set yourself high standards, work independently and often help others. Thank you Hanae. You are a fantastic role model. You rock!
P4	<b>Harriette Davies</b> - Thank you so much for the support you have given to the ShowQuest. Your patience and skills have been most appreciated. Even when running into problems, you calmly and determinedly kept working at it. <b>Addasyn Moyce</b> - Thank you so much for the support you have given to the ShowQuest. Your patience and skills have been most appreciated. Even when running into problems, you calmly and determinedly kept working at it.
W1	<b>Ava McGrath</b> - You have a light that shines bright and positive everyday. Nothing is too much, in fact your hunger to learn and desire to continue to grow is inspiring. Your latest piece of writing is testament to your tenacity, perseverance and resilience.
W2	<b>Keeli James-Murray</b> - Ka tohaina e koe tō mohiotanga ki a mātou. Ka pēnā te whakaaro o te mahi ako. Ka puta hoki te māramatanga.
W3	<b>Freya Slade</b> - Your bubbly personality and unique sense of humour are a joy to have in W3. You are kind, caring and always do your best to see the good in people. The world

	needs more people like you.
W4	<b>Tara Thaine</b> - For being our Year 8 Waiteti winner in the speech competition and for participating with enthusiasm in our coding and music lessons. We are so proud of how much you are putting yourself out there and stepping out of your comfort zone. Your bravery has led to success!
Food	<b>Kalea Ah Chee-Poole (P1)</b> - Brilliant cheese sauce and organisation in Food Tech. Tino pai e hoa ma.
BioTech	<b>Will Wyatt (P3)</b> - For participating and contributing well to our science concept discussions, well done for challenging yourself and offering your wonderful ideas.

## Celebrations

👍 The values trophy goes to **Eirwen Robinson, P4**. This award is given out each week to a role model student. **"All that I value I will uphold - he tohu whakamanawa."**

👍 Congratulations to all Merit Award winners this week.

👍 To all students who made the Massey visitors and Digital Circus welcome. Both groups commented on the warm welcome they received and how happy everyone was.

👍 To **Matua Josh**, who has settled into his teaching practice in P1 with **Whaea Arihi**.

👍 For more go to our Facebook group page, Mokoia Intermediate 2020 - <http://bit.ly/MokoiaFacebook>

## Our School Values

**Kei ōu ringaringa te ao.**  
*The world is yours.*

What do you want to do? What makes you happy? What are your dreams and aspirations in life? The sky is the limit and the world is yours. All you have to do is dream and persevere. Make the most out of all the opportunities the world has to offer!

<https://www.thetereomaoriclassroom.co.nz/2019/07/whakatauki-wisdom-te-reo-maori/>



## School App

Our Skool Loop app is available on Google Play or the App store. The Skool Loop app is updated weekly with all our notices.



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