



Mokoia Intermediate



Matua Rawiri's Shout Out

Tēnā Koutou Parents and Caregivers

Thank you BOT, staff, students, parents and community for a successful year. A reflection of our success is the roll growth for 2021. We will be appointing a fixed term teacher because of this. There are over thirty Year 7 students enrolled from outside of our local contributing schools, who make up the 171 enrolled Year 7s at time of speaking. It's a wonderful position to be in.

On Tuesday at 10.00am sharp, in the school hall, we will celebrate our students' successes at this year's final school prizegiving. There will be some awards not handed out because of the Covid-19 situation, so our kapa haka roopu will be performing their bracket to us.

All students are released after assembly for the closing of the school year.

Enjoy a seven and a half week holiday. We return to school on Thursday, 4th February at 9.00am. A pohiri will take place at 10.00am in the school hall. All welcome.

Finally take care during the holidays, be safe and enjoy the festive season. Peace, joy and love to all our families and friends.

Weekly Teacher Recognition: Miss French (W3)

Miss French is in the Waiteti Learning Centre (W3) and teaches 27 fantastic students. She is a caring, lovely and soft hearted person. She is sensitive, and interested in others.

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Miss French is responsible for Rotomaths and is mentored by Whaea Arihi. Miss French has completed her second year of teaching and has strengths in extension Mathematics and Literacy. She is an asset to our staff, and the Waiteti Learning Centre team. Well done Miss French. You are wonderful.



Congratulations on graduating from your two years' provisional registration on Friday.

Have a good weekend everyone.

Arohanui

Matua Rawiri and the Mokoia 'A' Team

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

Key dates for Term 4 2020

Week 9

- Tuesday 8th December - Prizegiving 10am
- Tuesday 8th December - final day for students
- Wednesday 9th December - Teacher Only Day

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Week 1

- Monday 1st February - Auckland anniversary (school closed)
- Tuesday 2nd February - Teacher only day
- Wednesday 3rd February - Teacher only day
- **Thursday 4th February - Term 1 begins.** Students meet in hall at 9am. Pohiri at 10am.

Week 2

- Monday 8th February - Waitangi Day observed (school closed)

Week 6, 8 and 9 - Learning centre camps at Okataina

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

End of Year Prizegiving

We are pleased to extend an invitation to you to attend our 2020 End of Year Prizegiving to be held on Tuesday 8th December in the School Hall at 10.00am sharp.

This prizegiving gives our school and community the opportunity to recognise and celebrate the achievements of our students.

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We hope you will be able to attend and look forward to you joining with us at prize giving to celebrate our students' successes.

School will end for the year after prizegiving.

Spotlights for Learning

We will be reposting the links for your child's Spotlight for Learning and technology report on Tuesday afternoon. Only those students whose families have not connected to Seesaw or email will receive a paper copy.

Prom Photos

A huge thank you to parent and photographer, **Aaron Gillions**, who both took the photos and has supplied them to you for no cost. Huge and magnanimous gesture!

To Download Mokoia Prom 2020 Photos in higher quality.

Facebook downsizes images to a very small size – it's OK for viewing on screen but will not be very good for printing. You can download the higher quality photos from the links below:

Entry Photos - <https://www.nitrotechnology.co.nz/photos/#16067042974311>

Formal Photos Batch 1 - <https://www.nitrotechnology.co.nz/photos/#16067018613537>

Formal Photos Batch 2 - <https://www.nitrotechnology.co.nz/photos/#16067051530312>

Dance Floor - <https://www.nitrotechnology.co.nz/photos/#16067050902013>

To Download:

Go to the link above.

Click on the photo you want to download.

Click the 3 dots in the top right corner, then click download.

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Maheni Magazine

The Mokoia Maheni Lockdown Edition is a magazine produced by the students of Mokoia Intermediate. Preorder at the office. Limited numbers. There is double page spread per class, plus individual student submissions. Don't miss out. Only \$12!

Ahurei

On Thursday we attended Ahurei, the annual primary schools kapa haka festival, and watched the ākonga from our kahui āko celebrating kapa haka in our rōpū. Such passion from Lynmore, Rotokawa, Owhata and Mokoia. The festival ran every day of last week.

Fill the Bus

W1 were the winners on the day. We were fortunate enough to load the bus with all your wonderful donations. Thank you all so much for your kind contributions.

W1 also got to meet the Grinch! What a wonderful opportunity.

- Miss Turner

Merit Awards

K1	Hori Todd - For the fantastic movement you have made in your reading. You have been working so hard and the results are well achieved. Tu Meke!
Rūmaki	Storm Turner - Ka tātā koe i ngā waipuna a rangi!
K4	K4 - Each one of you deserves your own merit award. You have made progress in your learning and developed a better attitude toward learning. It is great to see the positive relationships and friendships formed and support you show towards your classmates. Continue to be the best version of you, because there is only one of you!
P1	Katharine Twiddy - For being a shining example of how a friend should be and your friends love you for it. You are expressive and delightful to have in P1. Ka rawe Katharine. Brandon Parkes - For settling into Mokoia easily. It is not easy to move to a new school
P2	Ryan Reardon - We end the year as we began. Ryan you were the first merit award recipient of the year, and you shall be our last. You have taught us the value of tolerance and we appreciate the unique way you view the world. We thank you for helping to keep our class whanau together over this past week. 'Ko te ahurei o te tamaiti arahia o tatou mahi' 'Let the uniqueness of the child guide our work.'
P3	Troy Dunn - For the determination and perseverance you showed during Athletics training. You represented the school with pride recently at the WAIBOP Athletics Day and deserved your successful results. We are super proud of you. Alyssa Gillions - For your positive attitude towards all of your work. You are always full of enthusiasm and ready to share your ideas. You have certainly kept us all very

	entertained with your amazing 'horror stories' throughout the year.
W1	Lucie Mayer - Welcome to New Zealand, welcome to Mokoia Intermediate, welcome to W1! You have settled well and made some nice friendships already. Learning a new language and new customs can be hard, you have shown perseverance in doing so , tu as bien fait.
W2	Holly Andrews - He wāhine maia koe. Kua whati koe i tō whātianga raparapa ēngari he mauri tau tōnu tō āhua.
W3	Scott Wallace - For working to manage yourself and your time better in class. The effort you are putting into this is clear and your increased participation in things outside of the classroom is appreciated. Keep it up!
W4	Siwan Lloyd-Jones - You quietly excel at everything you do. You have demonstrated all 3 school values consistently this year with your numerous achievements, persevering through many extremely busy weeks, and doing it all without expecting any recognition. You are truly amazing!
Food Tech	Katelin Kelly (W4) - You have shown throughout the term a willingness to adapt, modify and change. You understand how products can be used in a variety of ways.
BioTech	Hanae Tsunokawa (P3) - You have created some beautiful work in biotech this term, you are so committed to producing excellent work. I am so impressed with your creativity and determination, these qualities will serve you well in the future. Well done!
Multi	Divjot Bairagi (W3) - Has worked diligently this week and is always on task. Well done Divjot a pleasure to have in class.

Celebrations

👍 Congratulations to all merit, academic and sport award winners this week.

👍 Well done to students and tutors of our kapa haka rōpū, who performed ably along with the other members of our Eastern Rotorua Kahui Āko at the Rotorua Primary Schools' Kapa Haka Festival at the Events Centre last night. We also congratulate the students and tutors of Lynmore, Rotokawa and Owhata; beautiful work!

👍 Thanks to **Whaea Liana** and the staff who created and facilitated fun activities for our battle of the houses yesterday. Many of our students got into the spirit of the day with their costumes. This year the event was especially poignant; it was held in memory of a much loved and respected teacher, work colleague and friend, **Matua Del Porter**, who passed away in October. Matua Del loved our school house competition, a true advocate for whanaungatanga, building positive relationships between staff and students, a competitive spirit and passion to see students excel in all areas of life.

👍 Thank you to our student council this year, for all your mahi. We celebrated with lunch at McDonalds yesterday.

👍 **Siwan Lloyd-Jones** came to show me the amazing Aquabots trophy she and her partner won with their Rotorua Library team at the nationals in Masterton. Well done!

👍 Thank you to our community who sent nonperishable goods to "Fill the Bus" yesterday.

👍 For more go to our Facebook group page, Mokoia Intermediate 2020.

<http://bit.ly/MokoiaFacebook>

Our School Values

Kōmaitanga...

He kotuku rerenga tahi

A white heron flies once

This whakatauki is used on an occasion when something very special and unique takes place. It is often said of a great chief or a leader.

Now we are at the end of the year we will celebrate the leadership our students have shown in pastoral, cultural, sporting and academic activities.



<http://inspiringcommunities.org.nz/wp-content/uploads/2018/09/Inspiring-Communities-%E2%80%93%93-Whakatauki-information-sheet.pdf>

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