



Mokoia Intermediate



Matua Rawiri's Shout Out

Tēnā Koutou Parents and Caregivers

Firstly, all the best to the AIMS teams and individuals participating in the AIMS games next week. The many hours of training and pre games have helped with preparation. Thanks to everyone who has helped with fundraising too.

Next year we will need more parents to put themselves forward to coach sports teams; our learning support assistants and teachers have taken much of the load, leading to disrupted classroom programmes. We also hope to streamline fundraising by returning to a Food and Fun Fair, with food stalls run by each sports code. We will need your help for this.

Our teaching leaders are already busy looking at what we can do to improve teaching and learning in 2024. A lot of work is going into planning and curriculum development.

Our open days and evening for new enrolments are in Week 10: Wednesday 20th and Thursday 21st September. Our open evening is on Thursday. We are looking forward to meeting all prospective families.

Matua Rawiri & The Mokoia 'A' Team

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

Key dates for Term 3 2023

Term 3 Week 8

- **AIMs Games all week**

Term 3 Week 9

- **Monday 11th - Wednesday 13th September** - 2024 testing for Year 8s at Rotorua Lakes High
- **Tuesday 12th September** - 2023 KIWI Spelling Bee, block 3
- **Tuesday 12th September** - Kaituna camp meeting, 5pm
- **Wednesday 13th September** - Wig Wednesday and Shave for a Cure
- **Thursday 14th September** - School Speeches
- **Friday 15th September** - RBHS Open Day, 9:00am – 2:45pm
- **Friday 15th September** - MIGs gym event

Term 3 Week 10

- **Tuesday 19th September** - HPV Yr 8 second dose, 9:00 – 11:00 am
- **Tuesday 19th September** - Finance and Board Hui - 6.00pm
- **Wednesday 20th September** - Year 6 Primary Open Day - Lynmore
- **Thursday 21st September** - Year 6 Primary Open Day and Open Evening
- **Friday 22nd September** - Term 3 Ends

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

Kaituna Camp Meeting

The Kaituna Epworth Camp is from Tuesday 10th October - Friday 13th October.

Our parents will be in Kaituna Learning Centre on Tuesday 12th September 2023, from 5pm-6pm. You are more than welcome to attend to find out information about Epworth Camp and ask any questions you may have.

We look forward to seeing you.

- *Kaituna teachers*

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New school website now up and running!

[Check us out at www.mokoia.school.nz.](http://www.mokoia.school.nz)

Mokoia Chess Regionals Term 3 2023

What an amazing day - made even better because it was at home at Mokoia. Our day started off with a beautiful welcome by some of our year 8 students to all of our visitors for the day.

We had a number of students participate in their first ever chess tournament today and they did themselves proud. They had many gutsy performances and showed our school values all through the day. Everyone put in performances to be proud of today and I couldn't be prouder. The future of chess is looking bright at Mokoia! Our next event is Nationals in October.

Individually, Junior Master **Koki Hara** came third equal qualifying for the Championship Trophy (Individual Nationals), and Junior Master **Khelan Shors** came in a very commendable 6th - 0.5pts behind 5th place.

A big thank you to Taemi and Madhuri for their help at the event today too.

- Whaea Jess Gibbs, TIC Chess, jgibbs@mokoia.school.nz

Shave For A Cure and Wig Wednesday

Every week in Aotearoa, three families are told the heartbreaking news that their child has cancer. The treatment these children undergo often means they need to brave the world with no hair.

Mokoia Intermediate can show our support for these children and their whānau by joining the Cancer Foundation for Wig Wednesday this year.

Getting involved is fun and easy. Simply wear your favourite wig, style a funky hairdo or even shave your head, all while raising money for the Child Cancer Foundation.

Our school date is **Wednesday 13th September**.

<https://youtu.be/9SM7atSpi44>

Some people decide to show support by shaving their heads. Are you one of these people? Shavees can choose who they want to shave their head. You can nominate a family member to shave your head (bring your own clippers). Otherwise we will have a hairdresser here and a staff

member who is handy with the clippers, to shave the heads of any staff, students and family members who want to use this as an opportunity to raise funds for the organisations who support cancer research and support.

If your child wants to join in and shave their head, we are asking that you sign them up and we will advertise this at school.

Mr Law and members of our student council are taking part.

- Mrs Annemarie Hyde, TIC Student Leadership, ahyde@mokoia.school.nz

2023 School Camp - Epworth Retreat and Recreation Centre Cambridge

Thank you to everyone who has already responded!

10th - 13th October Kaituna

17th - 20th October Puarenga

20th - 23rd November Waiteti

For many years we have adopted a policy of including an outdoor education camp as a compulsory part of the school curriculum. Each year we apply for funding to subsidise the cost of this camp and have been successful on most occasions. This year the Board has contributed \$15,000.00 and we applied for funding of \$16,000.00 from Okataina Outdoor Education Centre and Aotearoa Gaming Trust. We have now received the Okataina Trust grant of \$5,000 and the Aotearoa Trust \$10,000.

Mokoia Intermediate have opted into the Ministry of Education donation scheme. However, schools and kura can continue to ask for a donation for overnight school camps. This request is for a donation. Families and whānau can choose to pay the donation in full, in part or not at all. All students will attend camp regardless of whether they have contributed.

Due to the increasing costs of accommodation, buses, food and staff overnight allowances, this year we are asking for a contribution from parents of \$125.00

Without your contribution and the funding we receive through trusts we would be unable to continue to provide this valuable opportunity for our students. We have received \$16,250 from parents but we budgeted to receive \$33,250. Without this we may not be able to run some of the more exciting activities.

- Mrs Janet Du Fall, Executive Officer, accounts@mokoia.school.nz

AIMs Medical waivers

There are still a number of parents/caregivers who have not completed the medical waiver on the AIMs website. If you do not complete this your child will not be able to attend AIMs games. The school is not responsible for completing these forms. Please be proactive and get this completed ASAP the deadline is the 31st of August.

<https://www.nzaimsgames.co.nz/safety/medical-formmedia-consent-form?fbclid=IwAR200wuJabtlIqk0C-LbJO9jrLVp5gtrv0pZ78J3BrXw0mQep15Qs7YY6N0>

- Mr Gareth Upston, TIC Sport, gupston@mokoia.school.nz

Basketball

Basketball Results - Wednesday 30th August

No Basketball this week.

- Matua Rawiri Wihapi, Basketball Coordinator

Hockey

Mokoia Mad Dogs

Last Friday they played the A grade final against the Ruamata Boys' team. It was a tough test for the Mad Dogs and they fought hard to the bitter end. I am extremely proud of how they faced up to a strong, skilled and physical Ruamata team. The final result was 4-0 to Ruamata.

We were missing two of our boys, **Matthew Wallace** and **Luke**. But it was great to have **Freya Field** play and she slotted into the team nicely.

A big thanks to all the parents who supported throughout the season and helped on the odd Friday when required.

Thank you Puarenga staff members; your whole team showed tonight to support the Maddogs. They no doubt appreciated your sideline support.

Second best in Rotorua is awesome. Moving onto AIMs games now, I'm sure the team can't wait for a week of hockey.

- Mr Gareth Upston, Sports Coordinator, gupston@mokoia.school.nz

A huge thank you to **Glen Valentine** for coaching Mokoia 4. Well done to **Kalea Valentine-Halbert**, **Paige Ransom**, **Alyvia Charity**, **Olivia Leach**, **Emma Salisbury**, **Kiri Riley**, **Katelyn Wallace**.

Kaitao Intermediate Exchange

He tino nui te mihi Kia koe **Whaea Shannon Brake** me to Kura O Kaitao Intermediate. We had an awesome day at your pre AIMS tournament. Beautiful weather, awesome atmosphere and well run event on your behalf. Thank you and your team for all your efforts in putting the day together, for feeding us and for hosting all our schools involved. Again we thank you and wish all the teams away at AIMS next week the very best. Nga mihi nui

- *Matua Jireh Macfarlane-Roach, Basketball, Whaea Shelley Pene, Netball, Matua Hori Hapi, Matua Renata Clarke Rugby (Girls)*

Rip, Grip and Whip

Mokoia Intermediate School is participating in the Rip, Grip and Whip Mountain Bike Event 2023. This event is being held at Waipa Mountain Bike Park on Tuesday 19th September, 2023. I am taking entries for course 1, course 2 and course 3 with an additional option of forming a mixed relay if your child wishes.

This is a changed date. If you entered previously, you do not need to put in another entry form. If you cannot make the new date, please let **Whaea Deana** know.

We require caregiver permission to enter this course.

- We will meet at the carpark hub no later than 8.30am.
- Students must supply their own mountain bikes and helmets.
- Students are to wear appropriate clothing and footwear and their school jumper when not competing.

Teams need to be equipped to do their own repairs.

Water bottles and plenty of food for the day in order to keep themselves energised.

The cost is \$5. Please pay this to the school office with the form (a copy has been sent out on Facebook, Seesaw and email) by Tuesday 12th September, 2023.

- *Whaea Deana Turner, TIC, dturner@mokoia.school.nz*

Tough Guy and Gal Challenge

Well done to the Mokoia students who took part in the Tough Guy and Gal challenge at Lakes Ranch last week. They all looked like they were having a blast! A big thanks to **Whaea Deana** and **Whaea Rose** for organising and transporting our tamariki.

With the wonderful support of many parents we attended Tough Guy and Gal with 62 beautiful students all clad in their brightest gear, confident, enthusiastic and ready to hit the mud.

Thank you so much once again parents; you are incredibly appreciated and without your support we would not be able to attend these events in such great numbers.

- Whaea Deana Turner, TIC, dturner@mokoia.school.nz and Whaea Antonia Wright

Merit Awards

K1	Shontelle Stirling - You presented your speech with courage and determination. I am proud of the effort you put into developing and selecting a topic that had our class thinking about why they should come to school everyday! Ka mau te wehi!
Rūmaki	Rongomai Paul - He hiamō. He kaikā rawa koe i ngā mahinga kura!
K3	Luka Biggs - For his wonderful sense of humour. He is always so positive and helpful.
K4	Mathias Rogers-Scott - For being a leader and respectful towards your classmates. Whaea Casey was very impressed with you, well done!
K5	Amber van Schalkwyk - You have consistently demonstrated your commitment to personal growth and the betterment of our school. Your resilience in the face of challenges and your unwavering perseverance have been nothing short of inspiring to your fellow students and our staff.
P1	Violet Leeke - For the Upoko Pakaru you displayed when giving your speech. You didn't let your feelings determine the outcome of your speech. You just came back, took a breath and kept going. You should be so proud! Tu meke!
P2	Niko Weir - For the time and enthusiasm you put into working on and creating your speech on climate change. Your delivery was animated and your point was clear. Well done Niko. Dané Swart - Your delivery on Cape Town was fantastic, the way you spoke and the personal voice you added was beautiful. I would love to see the wonders of Cape Town myself. I am proud of you. Callum Moore - The delivery of your speech was well thought out, you used hand

	<p>gestures and added humour. Who would have thought there were that many types of armadillos. I am now all the wiser. Thank you.</p> <p>Zoe Scott - High expectations are definitely an issue close to your heart, the way you attempted to highlight some examples of these was fantastic. You have worked so hard on this and displayed all of the school values in doing so. You are wonderful Zig.</p>
P3	<p>Ethan Overbeek - For showing resilience and courage when presenting your speech. You chose a topic you are passionate about and you shared lots of fascinating facts with us. We all want to visit South Africa now. We are so proud of you Ethan.</p> <p>Shaia Sadlier-Joshi - For having beautiful manners and being super helpful when the hall was being set up for the chess tournament. Thank you Shaia. You rock!</p> <p>Campbell Leatherland - For the determination and perseverance you showed when working on your speech. You worked with me to complete your note taking, sort your facts, write your draft and then complete your cue cards. We all enjoyed your speech about Hawaii and really want to go on holiday there one day.</p>
P4	<p>Aoife Treviranus - Your patient tutoring of your friend with division was an absolute pleasure to witness. Keep on being a brilliant friend.</p>
W1	<p>Metera Roach - You have been working very hard on your speech and on your Inquiry as well. Keep up the great work Metera! Ka Rawe!</p>
W2	<p>Alia Conley - Persevering in all areas of learning. She is overcoming her shyness and contributing to group and class discussions more. Ka Mau Te Wehi Alia!</p> <p>Lincoln Wainohu - Preparing his speech on a topic he is familiar with and enjoyed sharing with the class. Mauri Ora!</p>
W3	-
W4	<p>Christian Joseph - For the brilliant speech you delivered to the class this week. Your speech was very informative and entertaining. You had excellent body language, facial expression and voice expression which engaged your audience throughout. I am very proud of your effort. Tino Pai Christian.</p>
Multi Materials	<p>Oscar Wilcock K5 - For your focussed approach to completing your project. Oscar, you are a capable student, who can visualise a resolved outcome, then proceed to see it through to completion. This is a great life skill to possess. Well done.</p> <p>Ellie Smith P3 - For your fantastic listening skills and ability to comprehend instruction. Ellie, you listen to next steps with total focus and presence, and have the confidence to request clarification if required. This is a great life skill to possess. Well done.</p> <p>Carlos Lewis W2 - For your developing resilience and perseverance. Carlos, you</p>

	completed your woodwork task in record time, but most importantly, you created a fully resolved outcome of the highest quality. Your feathered friends will be most appreciative of your quality building skills.
Art/Toi Ataata	<p>Tama-Tu White W2 - The care, effort, and thought that you have put into your mahi toi this term has been excellent. You have produced some stunning art work that you can be really proud of. Ka rawe Tama-Tu!</p> <p>Piarimu Pukepuke-Taurua W2- You always approach your mahi toi with thought and care. You have produced beautiful work this term. Ka rawe Pirimu!</p> <p>Pauline Houghton W2 - You should be proud of the effort and care that you have put into your mahi toi this term Pauline. You have produced some beautiful artwork. Ka rawe!</p> <p>Keren TePari-Reihana W4 - You have worked hard and produced beautiful mahi in art this term. Thank you for the positive attitude that you always bring to our class! Ka rawe Keren!</p>
Food Technology	<p>Sophie Hurahanganui K4 - Sophie, you are always focussed and ready to get stuck into whatever the task may be. You were a fantastic role model to our YR6 visitors helping and assisting wherever required and it was appreciated.</p> <p>Kennadi Raureti K2 - Nga mihi for always being so helpful and kind in the food tech room. Your food skills are not too bad but your dish washing skills are on point! Thank you Kennadi.</p>

Celebrations

👍 Congratulations to this week's recipient of our values trophy **TK Paora, 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 this week's merit award winners.

👍 Thank you to everyone who contributed funds for Daffodil Day to help support child cancer. A lot of students were out at Tough Guy and Gal, but we still gathered \$216.

👍 For more go to our Facebook group page, Mokoia Intermediate 2023.

<http://bit.ly/MokoiaFacebook>

Our School Values

Manaakitanga

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He tangata takahi manuhiri, he marae puehu.

A person who mistreats his guest has a dusty marae.

We welcome a lot of groups into our school and we ensure that we welcome them appropriately with a whakatau and great manners.

https://www.waikato.ac.nz/_data/assets/pdf_file/0008/480788/He-Kare-aa-roto-Full-Booklet-for-download.pdf

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