



# Mokoia Intermediate



## Matua Rawiri's Shout Out

### Tēnā Koutou Parents and Caregivers

Congratulations to all AIMS participants this week. You represented our school with pride. AIMS games is such a huge tournament and a lot of preparation goes towards it. Thank you to all the coaches and managers, and those who have helped in some way. Your time and commitment doesn't go unnoticed. We have done exceptionally well, and I am proud of all participants.

We wish our mixed hockey team well as they go into the final for their code this afternoon. This is a national competition so this is an amazing achievement. Well done to Mr **Upston** and the students.

Pride and respect are values we uphold at Mokoia Intermediate. We need our community support to ensure and encourage these values among our children at home and when they attend school. Wearing the correct uniform everyday, obeying school rules and having the essentials to cope at

school are a must. Our school environment will only be as safe as you help us to make it. This is paramount at Mokoia.

Only two weeks to go of school, holidays and then we are into the last 10 weeks of Term 4 for 2023. Have a good weekend everyone.

### **Matua Rawiri & The Mokoia 'A' Team**

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

## **Key dates for Term 3 2023**

### **Term 3 Week 9**

- **Tuesday 12th September** - 2023 KIWI Spelling Bee, block 3
- **Tuesday 12th September** - Kaituna camp meeting, 5pm
- **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** - Crazy Hair day and Shave for a Cure
- **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>

## **Testing for Rotorua Lakes High**

After talking with Rotorua Lakes High School, we are now streamlining the testing process! **Our year 8 teachers will hold the reading and mathematics tests for RLHS at Mokoia.**

This will mean that we can fit the testing around busy end of term programmes and ensure that students are sitting these tests in more familiar surroundings.

If you do not want your child to sit the tests, contact your classroom teacher or me.

- Mrs Hyde, DP Curriculum, [ahyde@mokoia.school.nz](mailto:ahyde@mokoia.school.nz)

## Kaituna Camp Meeting

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

Our parent hui 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*

## 2023 Kiwi Competitions Report

This year the Kiwi competitions were highly contested by over 17,500 students from over 450 schools throughout New Zealand, participating in multiple competitions and year groups. The number of entries to participate continues to grow year on year.

The competitions have been designed for New Zealand primary, intermediate and secondary school students. The curriculum areas covered are English, mathematics and science.

The school results include an overall percentage, percentage scores for different strands of the various curricula, stanine, descriptive grade, national average and school average.

The national percentiles determine the grade cut offs for each competition year group. The grade boundary between 'Participated' and 'Achieved' has been calculated at the 50th percentile (where 50% of all scores nationally are either below, or above it). Please note the 50th percentile will be different for each competition and year group.

### **Grade Percentile**

Distinction ≥ 99.5

Excellence ≥ 90 <99.5

Merit ≥ 75 <90

Achieved ≥ 50 <75

Participated < 50

### **English**

Distinction - **Juriji Firm** year 7

Merit - **Tyler Graham** and **Elsie Papps** year 8

Achieved - **Beatrix Dakin-Hoy** and **Cassie Berndt** year 8; **Clodagh McCann** and **Kaydence Cassidy** year 7

## **Maths**

Merit - **Tyler Graham** and **Elsie Papps** year 8; **Remi Vade** year 7

Achieved - **Taine Dyson**, **Koki Hara** and **Matthew Wallace** year 7

## **Science**

Excellence - **Juriji Firm** year 7

Merit - **Tyler Graham** and **Elsie Papps** year 8; **Alex Curran** year 7

Achieved - **Cassie Berndt** year 8; **Koki Hara** year 7

Well done to these competitors! Thank you to all other competitors for having a go.

- Mrs Hyde, DP Curriculum, [ahyde@mokoia.school.nz](mailto:ahyde@mokoia.school.nz)

## **Shave For A Cure and Crazy Hair Day**

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 now **Tuesday 19th 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.

### **Three ways you can support:**

1. If your child wants to join in and shave their head, we are asking that you sign them up at <https://www.shaveforacure.co.nz/t/mokoia-intermediate-rotorua> and we will advertise this at school. This goes towards blood cancer.

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2. Donate towards students and teachers who have put themselves forward on the website.
3. Your child brings a gold coin and wears a wig or wacky hair do. This goes to the Child Cancer Foundation.
4. Bring a gold coin to watch our team have their head shaved. This goes to the Child Cancer Foundation.

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

- Mrs Annemarie Hyde, TIC Student Leadership, [ahyde@mokoia.school.nz](mailto: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](mailto:accounts@mokoia.school.nz)

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## AIMS Games

At the time of writing there are some competitions still to happen, but here are results as of this morning:

### Teams

Boys basketball - 47th=

Boys football - 38th

Girls futsal - 12th

Hockey 7 a side mixed - 1st = (playing in the final this afternoon)

Netball - 106th

Girls rugby 7s - 8th

### Individual

BMX - Year 7 boys - **Noah Evans** - 6th

BMX - Year 7 girls - **Maddy Newcombe** - 4th

Cross Country - **Grace Fry, Amelia** and **Lotti Tarplett** - unplaced

Gymnastics - Artistic Twisters - **Lydia O'Callaghan** 17/92, **Chloe Maytham-Windle** - 26th/92;

Trampoline open novice - **Lydia O'Callaghan** - 4th, Tumbling open - **Lydia O'Callaghan** - 4th;

Gymnastics - Tumbling Twisters - **Niko Weir** - 2nd; Artistic flyers - **Niko Weir** - 1st

Mountain Bike Cross Country Year 7 boys - **Noah Evans** 5th

Rock Climbing - Year 8 boys - **Max Stratford** 11th, **Daniel Bulmer** 30th

Rock Climbing - Year 8 girls - **Briar Herries** - 29th

Table Tennis - **Khelan Shors** - unplaced

My apologies if I have missed anyone, but I searched through the results on the AIMS site. Well done to all of our competitors and a huge thanks to coaches, managers, drivers, and other supporters who worked up to and including this week.

- Mrs Hyde, DP Curriculum, [ahyde@mokoia.school.nz](mailto:ahyde@mokoia.school.nz)

## Basketball

### Basketball Results - Wednesday 6th September

Mokoia Whakaiti Y7 Boys 10 vs RIS Mako 15

Player of the Day - Whole Team

- *Matua Rawiri Wihapi, Basketball Coordinator*

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## 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](mailto:dturner@mokoia.school.nz)

## Merit Awards

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| K1     | <b>Rose Tyler-Fryer</b> - You are a 'maths whizz' in our class. I appreciate your ability to complete your independent learning to a high standard as well as providing support in maths for your peers also. Ka mau te wehi!                        |
| Rūmaki | <b>Priya Raethel</b> - Me he ihuoneone, me he ihu kurī ko koe. Kātahi ra!  |
| K3     | <b>Emma Salisbury</b> consistently works hard in class. She has an excellent attitude.   |
| K4     | <b>Eli Kuka</b> - I am so proud of how determined you were with finding the perimeter in our maths task this week. There were many times where you were set back and had to try again, However you did and you got there in the end! Nāu anō i mahi! |
| K5     | <b>Kiera Fleming</b> - Your speech was a true testament to your creativity, dedication, and public speaking skills. You are committed to personal growth and   |

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|                 | excellence and I am very proud of you.   |
| P1              | <b>Bailey Mattler</b> - You have put in a lot of hard work this week to really develop a strong understanding of converting between fractions, decimals and percentages. Be proud of the effort you have put in.   |
| P2              | <b>Xavier Reuben</b> - You have not only worked extremely hard on your speech about Orangutans, making it interesting and packed full of facts. You have been focussed and showed commitment to your learning, in particular your maths. I am so very proud of you.  |
| P3              | <b>Maximus Lorigan</b> - for the perseverance and hard work you showed when completing your inquiry research. Your work was beautifully presented Max. Stay focused and keep up the hard work.<br><b>Raphael O'Brien</b> - for the absolutely amazing job you did when creating your speech. You chose a topic you are very knowledgeable and passionate about. Your presentation was clever, interesting and you kept us entertained. Tumeke! |
| P4              | <b>Anaru Fitzell-Pennington</b> - I am impressed with the focus and effort you are putting into your learning. Keep up the amazing effort.<br><b>Sky Hamill</b> - Your speech about phones at school had some really excellent points and you presented it well. Brilliant effort.   |
| W1              | <b>Billy Williams</b> - Well done on presenting your speech in front of the class. I know this isn't easy for you and you did an amazing job! You sure do know a lot about Roblox - thanks for sharing with us. Ka mau te wehi!  |
| W2              | <b>Ella Grondsma</b> - Giving a great speech despite your fears of speaking in front of the class. You did well and should be proud! Ngā Mihi e kō!<br><b>Alia Conley</b> - Giving such detailed information on your topic and gaining your confidence in sharing with me! Ka mau te wehi!<br><b>Sidak Singh</b> - You gave your best with your speech, I enjoyed the information shared! Ka Pai e Tama!                                       |
| W3              | <b>Cordell Dillon</b> - You have been a pleasure to have in W1 this week. You have settled in and done some amazing mahi all week! Keep up the great work Cordell!   |
| W4              | <b>Shyla Attwood</b> - For the fantastic effort you have been putting into all areas of your learning. You have been very focussed and diligent this week, always setting a great example for others. Keep it up superstar!  |
| Multi Materials | <b>Danni-Lee Heke K3</b> - For your quiet resolve and your attention to detail. Danni-Lee, your ability to finish what you have started, despite missing a session, was appreciated. Starting a project is easy, finishing a project demands resilience and perseverance. Well done.   |



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|                 | <p><b>Darcie Paringatai K4</b> - For being consistently focussed, and understanding instructions the first time. Darcie, you have a talent in design which I hope you will keep developing in high school. Well done.</p> <p><b>Manawa Curtis W3</b> - For your passion in design. Manawa, you understand that design is solution based thinking. Clarifying the 'problem' is essential, as is making connections between disciplines to create a solution. Keep developing these skills.</p>   |
| Art/Toi Ataata  | <p><b>Josh Ford K1</b> - Josh you are always so creative, innovative, and hardworking in Art. You should be proud of the incredible work that you've produced. Thank you for the positive attitude and great humour you always bring to the class!</p> <p><b>Violet Leeke P1</b>- Violet it was wonderful watching the incredibly creative and innovative way you approached your sculptural work in Art. You've produced a very unique piece of artwork. You are always so thoughtful and hardworking. Thank you for being such an inspiration to the class!</p> <p><b>Lotti Tarplet P1</b> - The work that you've produced for our sculptural project is excellent! You always approach your artwork with so much thought and care. You should be proud of your efforts this term. Well done!</p> |
| Food Technology | <p><b>Emily Rossiter K3</b> - Emily, you always participate in discussions which indicates you are listening and are understanding the learning and the tasks. Tino pai to mahi!</p> <p><b>Aoife Treviranus P4</b> - It has been wonderful to see your confidence grow, you search for answers and ask questions. You are also a great partner giving explanation and guidance. Keep growing Aoife!</p> <p><b>Olivia Leach and Emma Goddard P4</b> - You approached me with a problem, we had a few ideas then you experimented to find the best solution, I was so impressed with your commitment and follow through. That's what Food Technology is about!</p>  |

## Celebrations

👍 Congratulations to this week's recipient of our values trophy **Charlee Thornborough, W1**. 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.

👍 Shout out to **Khelan Shors** in P3 who represented Mokoia with pride this week at AIMS table tennis. He won 2 out of 3 group stage matches and advanced to the round of 64, where he put in a great effort but lost to highly seeded players. Well done, Khelan!

👍 Well done to all of our competitors and a huge thanks to coaches, managers, drivers, and other supporters who worked up to and including this week.

👍 For more go to our Facebook group page, Mokoia Intermediate 2023.  
<http://bit.ly/MokoiaFacebook>

## Our School Values

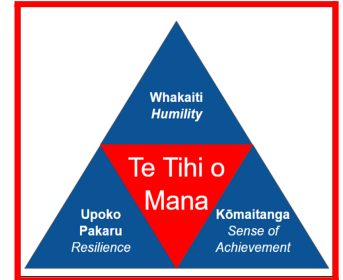
### Whakaiti

**Kia whakatōmuri te haere whakamua.**

***I walk backwards into the future with my eyes fixed on my past.***

“Acknowledging and seeing ancestors in the physical environment is akin to acknowledging and seeing oneself... as ancestors are present in the everyday world, it is just a matter of viewing the world as the world of ancestors. It relates to acknowledging and taking pride in ancestral heritage and recognising the contributions ancestors have made to tribal culture, etiquette and values.”

Patterson (1992)



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