



Mokoia Intermediate



Matua Rawiri's Shout Out

Tēnā Koutou Parents and Caregivers

Congratulations to all our speech winners and those who participated in the school speeches. It can be very difficult to stand in front of an audience and speak. I am very proud of you all. Well done.

Next term we are wanting to engage our community with our School Charter, Strategic and Annual Plan. The board will discuss ways to promote this, as it is important to get the voice from our community. We encourage you to watch this space and come along to support this important kaupapa.

Next week is our open days and evening to promote new students to enrol at Mokoia Intermediate in 2024. This year we had 50 students come from outside our contributing schools. We encourage all students from our contributing schools and the wider Rotorua area to come and look at what we have to offer. We look forward to welcoming you to our school.

Matua Rawiri & The Mokoia 'A' Team

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

Key dates for Term 3 2023

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>

School Speech Final

Thank you to **Whaea Casey** and **Whaea Rose**, who helped me to judge the speech finals today. The standard was really high and huge kudos to the students who stood in front of their 370 peers and the staff. It's not easy!

Nerves did show, and affected the speed of their presentations. But everyone could project their voice this year. The topics were engaging and there were some great hooks. Raphael had everyone on the edge of their seats with his starting words involving blood and murder!

Raphael O'Brien was judged first place in Year 7, with **Leana Gaugler** earning second place.

The year 8's were very close, and the judges had to agree that if two out of three of us agreed, those people would be placed. **Priya Raethel** was judged first place as we agreed that she absolutely took us through her thoughts and feelings performing kapa haka at the regionals. **Tyler Graham** was judged second, keeping us amused and ticking all the boxes of the speech assessment. I'm certainly pleased he doesn't live at my house, because he's perfected his arguments for getting out of jobs!

Well done to all twelve of the finalists. You deserved to be the winners of your learning centre finals and the audience was behind you all the way.

	Finalist	Class	Year	Topic
1	Priya Raethel	K2	8	My speech about Kapa Haka
2	Sophie Green	P4	8	Moving to Rotorua
3	Tyler Graham	W1	8	Convincing Parents
4	Pareamio Pukepuke	W3	8	Her Netball Inspiration
5	Josh Ford	K1	8	The 3 Most Crooked Presidents of the Last 20 Years
6	Raphael O'Brien	P3	7	Hunting
7	Alyvia Charity	K2	7	Animal Testing
8	Piarimu Pukepuke-Taurua	W2	7	My Dog
9	Joshua Myburgh	K3	7	DUI Prevention
10	Nathan Lye	P4	8	Mr Law
11	Rangituahiahi Barrett	W4	7	Pressure from Parents
12	Leana Gaugler	P3	7	Gender

- Mrs Hyde, DP Curriculum, 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

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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.
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

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

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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 Games

AIMS games 2023 concluded last Friday afternoon. Mokoia sent a large team across a range of team and individual sports. AIMS games are the pinnacle for many students in their respective sports codes during the intermediate schooling years. It offers them the chance to compete in a competitive environment against New Zealand's best in their fields. The social skills students develop by competing at AIMS games are hugely beneficial to this age group. It was wonderful to see and hear the camaraderie between team members as well as opposition teams. Often Rotorua schools were seen supporting their fellow schools cheering them on from the sidelines. This created an incredible atmosphere for students to compete within.

For many students it is the highlight of their time at Mokoia Intermediate to compete in the AIMS games, for those year 8 students who have now experienced their final AIMS games I hope they continue to have fond memories of the experience they had over the week. For the year 7s it is the drive to continue to progress in your chosen sport to hopefully experience it all over again in 2024.

AIMs games are not all about winning more so the experience, however it is human nature to recognise success so it's important to make note of the teams and individuals who deserve the high accolades of their success.




Mokoia Intermediate continues to punch above its weight in many sports and the results we achieved at the 2023 AIMS games are a reflection of this. Mokoia collected medals in Gymnastics, Mountain Biking and Hockey. The silver medal the Hockey team achieved was the first time Mokoia Intermediate has won a team medal in the history of AIMS games, this is a huge achievement for the team. **Niko Weir** picked up a gold and silver in his two boys Gymnastic events. This is the first time we have medalled in Gymnastics. And lastly Mountain Biking, which has been Mokoia's most successful sports over the years, and again this year **Matthew Wallace** (gold) and **Noah Evans** (bronze) won medals in the year 7 boys Enduro.

Lastly it is important to mention the people who help make this all possible for the students. The coaches, managers and parents who give up their time to ensure AIMS is a memorable experience. Big thank you on behalf of myself and Mokoia Intermediate.

- Gareth Upston, Sports/AIMS coordinator, gupston@mokoia.school.nz

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Full results (Mokoia) AIMS Games 2023

Sports	Event/code/student	Result
Basketball	Boys	48th out of 93 teams
Football	Boys	38th out of 54 teams
Futsal	Girls	12th out of 21 teams
Netball	Girls	106th out of 144 teams
Rugby sevens	Girls	8th out of 12 teams
BMX	Maddy Newcombe Y7G	7th DNF (injury)
BMX	Noah Evans Y7B	6th out of 21 competitors
Cross Country Running	Amelia Tarplett Y8G	36th out of 129 competitors
Cross Country Running	Lotti Tarplett Y8G	88th out of 129 competitors
Cross Country Running	Grace Fry Y7G	DNS (injury)
Gymnastics	<u>Niko Weir (boys)</u> Artistic Flyers Twisters/Tumbling	1st out of 12 competitors  2nd out of 5 competitors 
Gymnastics	<u>Lydia O'Callaghan (girls)</u> Twister Artistic Open Novice Trampoline Open Junior Girls Tumbling	17th out of 92 competitors 4th out of 7 competitors 4th out of 10 competitors
Gymnastics	<u>Chloe Maytham-Windle (girl)</u> Twister Artistic	26th out of 92 competitors
Mountain Biking	<u>Noah Croucher (Y8B)</u> Enduro XC	24th out of 101 finishers DNF
Mountain Biking	<u>Noah Evans (Y7B)</u> Enduro XC	3rd out of 79 finishers  5th out of 68 finishers
Mountain Biking	<u>Enduro Y8 Boys</u> Nate Short Carter Atkinson Jack Parsons Blake Fraser	46th out of 101 finishers 48th out of 101 finishers 37th out of 101 finishers 40th out of 101 finishers
Mountain Biking	<u>Enduro Y7 Boys</u>	

	Matthew Wallace Christian Joseph	1st out of 79 finishers 🏆 57th out of 79 finishers
Mountain Biking	<u>XC Y8 Girls</u> Georgia Davies	6th out of 16 finishers
Mountain Biking	<u>Enduro Y7 Girls</u> Emma Salisbury	5th out of 6 finishers
Rock Climbing	<u>Y8 Boys</u> Max Stratford Daniel Bulmer	9th (semi-final round) out of 41 climbers 30th (quarter-final round) out of 41 climbers
Rock Climbing	<u>Y8 Girls</u> Briar Herries Evelyn May Trixie Dakin-Hoy	29th (quarter-final round) out of 65 climbers 36th (qualification round) out of 65 climbers 61st (qualification round) out of 65 climbers
Table Tennis	<u>Y7 Boys</u> Khelan Shors	Qualified for the round of 64 2-3 win/loss
Hockey	<u>Mixed team</u> Charlotte Bradcock © Ella Baird Cate Phipps Freya Field Georgia Davies © Anthony Guest Matthew Wallace Luke Partelow Juvan Van Staden Sophie Bell Poppy Hutchinson Hayley Gribble	2nd place 🏆 🏆 out of 53 teams

Basketball

Basketball Results - Wednesday 13th September

Mokoia Passion Year 8 Boys 18 vs RIS Kaitakaaro 10 - Passion win by default. Player of the Day - **Blake Fraser**. Most valuable player - **Jack Parsons** and **Asante Conley**

Mokoia Whakaiti Year 7 Boys 6 vs RIS Mana 52 - Player of the Day - Whole Team

Mokoia Komaitanga Year 8 Boys 16 vs RIS Te Rangiiwaho 3. Player of the Day - **Toby Claydon** and **Michael Cannon**. Most valuable player - **Kai Turkington**

Mokoia Girls Year 8 Girls 105 vs **Mokoia Ūpoko Pakaru Year 7 Girls** 3. Player of the Day - **Pareamio Pukepuke-Taurua**. Most valuable player - **Pareamio Pukepuke-Taurua**.

Mokoia Achieve Year 8 Girls vs Te Koutu Ruru - No Result

Most valuable players - **Aiesha Harrison, Ellenjane Courtney, Aria Biddle-Hunuhunu**.

Mokoia Limitless Year 8 Boys 24 vs RIS Tama 20 - Player of the Day - Whole Team. Most valuable player - **Lakeyn Brons**

Mokoia Integrity Year 7 Boys - Bye

Thanks to everyone who helped this season. It is much appreciated. Please return all basketball singlets, washed to **Mrs Lind** in the library. Thank you.

- *Matua Rawiri Wihapi, Basketball Coordinator*

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.

- 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.

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

Merit Awards

K1	Josh Ford - You are an inspirational leader in our class. Congratulations for making the speech finals for Katuna Learning Centre. Kei runga noa atu koe!
Rūmaki	Alyvia Charity - Ka eke koe ki ngā taumata ikeike o ngā manukōrero! Priya Raethel - Ka eke koe ki ngā taumata ikeike o ngā manukōrero!
K3	Xavier Peters Xavier is an outstanding student who makes the most of

	opportunities in the classroom. He has an outstanding attitude.
K4	Emma Raroa-Kire - For all your hard work and amazing progress in your measurement and reading exams.
K5	Zee Graham - For showing resilience and overcoming challenges. You are a kind person and that does not go unnoticed.
P1	Georgia Davies and Blake Fraser - For the fantastic effort you put into your speech and presentation at the kainga ako finals. You gave it your all and did our class proud!
P2	Mikayla Williams - For being you. Yes you work hard, put in a great deal of effort and consistently seek support when you require it. You are also a kind, compassionate, and caring person to your friends. I thank you Mikayla for showing up and being you!
P3	Raphael O'Brien - For the perseverance you showed when creating your speech about Hunting. You shared your own original ideas, listened to advice and then spent time perfecting your presentation. You were confident, creative and passionate when speaking to the entire school. Congratulations on winning first place. We are so proud of you Raphael. Tumeke! Leana Gaugler - For the effort you showed when creating your speech about Gender. You gathered a range of relevant facts and added a personal touch. You were very persuasive and confident when speaking to the entire school. Congratulations on winning second place. We are super proud of you Leana. Gut gemacht!
P4	-
W1	Connor Dempsey - You are a delight to have in W1. You are so courteous and a valued member of our classroom. Keep being you Connor! Ka Rawe!
W2	Piarimu Pukepuke- Taurua _ Ka Mau Te Wehi - making it to Waiteti speeches and whole school speech finals this week!!! MEINGA MEINGA Piarimu! Clodagh Mc Cann - Ka Pai e Kō - Congratulations for making it to semi semi-finals for Waiteti... MIHARO!!!
W3	Pare Pukepuke-Taurua - For your outstanding efforts in making the school speech finals. You spoke confidently, congratulations.
W4	Christian Joseph - For the fantastic effort you put into your speech and for making it into the Waiteti Learning Centre finals. We were all incredibly proud of how hard you worked and how well you spoke. Tino pai Christian! Rangituahiahi Barrett - For the outstanding effort you put into your speech which saw you become one of the top two Yr 7 winners in the Waiteti Learning Centre speech finals and proceed to the school speech final. You overcame your nerves

	and fear and spoke incredibly well and we were all extremely proud of you.
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Celebrations

👍 Congratulations to this week's recipient of our values trophy **Joshua Myburgh, K3**. 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.

👍 Well done to everyone who spoke at their kāinga ako final and at the school final! It's an amazing skill to develop for life.

👍 We have successfully completed the first round of Mokoia Island visits as part of the kaitiakitanga programme. Eight students from each Year 8 class have had a visit to help with trapping pests. Next Tuesday, the second group from K1 will go.

👍 \$1000 worth of sports equipment is coming Mokoia Intermediate's way after winning the Zespri competition at AIMs.

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

<http://bit.ly/MokoiaFacebook>

Our School Values

Ūpoko Pakaru

Kua takoto te Mānuka.

The leaves of the Manuka tree have been laid down (a challenge has been laid down or there is a challenge ahead of you).

<https://www.twinkl.co.nz/teaching-wiki/whakatauki>



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