



# Mokoia Intermediate



## Matua Rawiri's Shout Out

### Tēnā Koutou Parents and Caregivers

We have been in the process of adding three new values to our current school values. They are Manāakitanga (caring), Wairuatanga (Spirituality) and Whanaungatanga (Relationships). Our current school values are Whakaiti (Humility), Ūpoko Pakaru (Resilience) and Kōmaitanga (Sense of Achievement). We have been developing six action characters that represent our ancestors of Te Roro o Te Rangi (Te Arawa) that depict each of our values. The idea is these will be displayed around our school, which tell and display our local story. The colours will also represent each of the Learning Centres. It is something that has taken time to develop and we look forward to the final outcome, hopefully soon.

We have a Teachers Only Day coming up on Monday 13th November. This professional learning development is all about the refreshed curriculum document "Te Mātaiaho". School will be closed on this day. This is a Ministry of Education initiative nationwide. We apologise for any inconvenience. There is information here about the refreshed curriculum. If you would like to know more go to: <https://curriculumrefresh.education.govt.nz/te-mataiaho>.

We appreciate your support and understanding, as always.

At the end of this term we will farewell our Deputy Principal of thirteen years, **Mrs Annemarie Hyde** who has won a new Deputy Principal role in Christchurch. Mrs Hyde's contribution to Mokoia Intermediate has been enormous; and she will be dearly missed. We have decided to appoint an internal acting deputy principal for Term 1 and 2, 2024 to allow cohesion at the beginning of the year. Congratulations to **Mrs Kathryn McMurdo** who will fill this role. We will advertise the deputy principal position in Term 1, 2024 to officially start in Term 3, 2024.

Also a huge thank you and farewell to **Whaea Rose Willison**, who has been our Learning Support Coordinator for the past few years, working between Rotokawa School and Mokoia Intermediate. We appreciate the work Whaea Rose has done with our students. We wish her all the best with her new teaching job in Hamilton. Next Wednesday we welcome **Whaea Frances Wharerahi** who will be our new Learning Support Coordinator, she will be coming to us from Kaitao Intermediate, where she was a leader in the Rumaki unit. We are looking forward to welcoming her to our school.

Have a good weekend. Go 'The Mighty All Blacks'!

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

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

### **Key dates for Term 4 2023**

#### **Term 4 Week 4**

- **Tuesday 31st October** - Year 8 class group of 8 students to Mokoia Island
- **Tuesday 31st October** - Waiteti parents' camp meeting 5.15pm
- **Friday 3rd November** - Gumboot Friday fundraiser for mental health

#### **Term 4 Week 5**

- **Tuesday 7th November** - school athletics day
- **Tuesday 7th November** - Year 8 class group of 8 students to Mokoia Island?
- **Tuesday 7th November** - Finance and Board Hui

#### **Term 4 Week 6**

- **Monday 13th November** - Teacher only day (Ministry of Education on revised curriculum)
- **Tuesday 14th November** - Year 8 class group of 8 students to Mokoia Island

#### **Term 4 Week 7**

- **Monday 20th November** - Waiteti camp
- **Tuesday 21st November** - Year 8 class group of 8 students to Mokoia Island
- **Tuesday 21st November** - Waiteti camp
- **Wednesday 22nd November** - Waiteti camp

- **Thursday 23rd November** - Waiteti returns from camp

#### **Term 4 Week 8**

- **Tuesday 28th November** - Year 8 class group of 8 students to Mokoia Island
- **Tuesday 28th November** - RBHS orientation day

#### **Term 4 Week 9**

- **Tuesday 5th December** - Year 8 class group of 8 students to Mokoia Island
- **Tuesday 5th December** - W3 Tarawera Trail trip 1.30pm
- **Friday 8th December** - Battle of the Houses

#### **Term 4 Week 10**

- **Tuesday 12th December** - Year 8 class group of 8 students to Mokoia Island
- **Tuesday 12th December** - school prom
- **Thursday 14th December** - school prizegiving 10am. Last student day of year
- **Friday 15th December** - Teacher only day

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

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

## **School Sports Uniforms**

School sports uniforms issued to students this year are required to be returned ASAP. Please ensure all items are washed and that the entire set that was issued is returned. (Including socks) Items need to be returned to Mrs Lind in the School Library.

## **Camp Financial Donations Please!**

Kaituna and Puarenga kāinga ako have both had a great camp experience but we are in danger of running at a loss!

This year we budgeted for our families to contribute \$33,000. So far we have only collected \$18,000. Legally, because of the fact that we joined the government's school fees scheme, we are only allowed to call this a donation from you.

The reality is that the money has to come from somewhere. We would love every student going to camp to pay \$125.

Without this "donation" we will have to stop running camps in future.

**Brent Road, Rotorua, NEW ZEALAND Phone: 07 3459071 Email: [office@mokoia.school.nz](mailto:office@mokoia.school.nz)**

- Mrs Janet Du Fall, Executive Officer, [accounts@mokoia.school.nz](mailto:accounts@mokoia.school.nz)

## Chess

It's official - our chess team has placed a massive eighth place at the New Zealand Chess Power Nationals over the long weekend. This is an absolutely massive result for these tamariki who played nine games each over the day on Saturday. They were competing against teams who had six and seven players in their teams. Our team had a total of five players, who all did incredibly well.

On Sunday, **Koki Hara** played in the New Zealand Chess Power Champions' Trophy, which is an individual competition at Nationals. Koki placed a very commendable 47th place, which is a huge achievement, given the competition is the best of the best from around New Zealand.

This was a huge weekend for our chess players, who spent eight hours playing chess on Saturday, with Koki doing it all again on Sunday. We are very proud of you all!

A big thank you to all of the whānau who spent the weekend supporting our players and ensuring they were where they needed to be on time.

- Whaea Jess, TIC Chess, [jgibbs@mokoia.school.nz](mailto:jgibbs@mokoia.school.nz)

## Merit Awards

K1	<b>Kalen Smith</b> - You have worked hard to complete your recount writing about Kaituna Camp earlier this term. Matua Jerome and I are impressed with your effort! Kia kaha tonu!
Rūmaki	<b>Rihari Walden</b> - Kua whakatō te pākārito. Ka tū kahikatea.
K3	<b>Axel Garmonsway</b> - For significant academic progress and excellent results
K4	<b>Jack McGuire</b> - You are always doing the right thing and will help anyone around you when you can. KA RAWE Jack. Keep it up.
K5	<b>Petra Seymour</b> - For improving on time management skills in class. She is very respectful towards students and teachers and we are lucky to have her in K5. <b>Kiera Fleming</b> - For being an absolute pleasure to have in class. You are kind and generous and a lovely friend to your peers. <b>Ziera Campbell</b> - For helping the teacher with tasks in class. You are very helpful and I appreciate you a lot.
P1	<b>Sean Fear</b> - For your fantastic reflection of camp and the effort you put in while

	you were there. You gave everything a go and really stepped out of your comfort zone.
P2	<b>Keanu Alderton</b> - For the incredible focus and dedication you have put into your mahi this week. We have been blown away, well done. <b>Aiden Morton</b> - For stepping outside of your comfort zone and attending Epworth Camp. It was wonderful to see you participate in all aspects of camp and really give everything a good go. I was incredibly proud of you for persevering with kayaking, I know how difficult it is to fight the fear and do it anyway. Fantastic!
P3	<b>Fraser Barclay</b> and <b>Devon Murray</b> - For the amazing job you did as assembly hosts. You were well organised and spoke confidently to the whole school. Thank you. <b>Jeremy Collier-Baker</b> and <b>Remi Vade</b> - For the fantastic job you did of creating a very cool video to share our Camp highlights at assembly. You are super clever. Thank you.
P4	<b>Otto Livingston-Neilson</b> - In spite of being injured at camp, you still took part in all of the activities with enthusiasm. You are an excellent example of a person with resilience. <b>Kiara Peniston</b> - I appreciate the effort you have been putting into your learning. Keep up the excellent work. <b>Avah Harris</b> -you are consistently cheerful and polite and I enjoy your quiet sense of humour. I am glad to have you in P4 <b>Briley Johnston</b> -You have settled nicely into P4 and fit in perfectly. I also appreciate the effort you have been putting into your learning. Keep up the excellent work.
W1	<b>Chloe Maytham-Windle</b> - Well done on having a fabulous start to the term. You are really focused on your mahi and it is great to see you asking for help when you are unsure. What a great skill to have. You will be ready for high school when the time comes. Ka rawe Chloe! <b>Anja Van Der Merwe</b> - Well done on having a fabulous start to the term. You are really focused on your mahi and it is great to see you asking for help when you are unsure. What a great skill to have. You will be ready for high school when the time comes. Ka rawe Anja!.
W2	<b>Maiah Perkins</b> - Working hard at working out and understanding maths problems and sharing her working out with her group. PĀIA Maiah! <b>Sophie Judd</b> - Thanks for buckling down, settling to do work and getting your work completed and handed in on time! MIHARO Sophie!
W3	<b>Pareamio Pukepuke-Taurua</b> - For your focus attitude towards your learning. You are a diligent student who is only focused on her school work during the first three weeks of term 4. Awesome work, Pare.
W4	<b>Taine Dyson</b> - For the fantastic effort you have been putting into your maths. It has been awesome seeing you test out new strategies in order to solve a range of multi-step equations. I have also enjoyed seeing you help your peers by sharing your maths knowledge with them. Keep up the fantastic work.

	<p><b>Rawiri Wall</b> - For the fantastic effort you have been putting into your maths. It has been awesome seeing you test out new strategies in order to solve a range of multi-step equations. I have also enjoyed seeing you help your peers by sharing your maths knowledge with them. Keep up the fantastic work.</p>
Multi Materials	<p><b>Faze Wineera K1</b> - Faze it was an absolute pleasure to have you in Multi materials, and you have proven to have a great ability to learn new and unfamiliar subjects within a team. Hands on learning reinforces academic basics and you have a natural ability to learn with hands on tasks. Well done.</p> <p><b>Charlotte Campbell W3</b> - For your learning resilience and grit. Charlotte, you have a natural talent in engineering, and a tenacity to work on a practical task until you find a solution. A great life skill to possess.</p> <p><b>Hera Pitau K2</b> - For your unwavering focus and dedication to learning new and unfamiliar subjects. Hera, you naturally make connections between subjects, and it was a pleasure to share the beauty of science with you. Take the knowledge, develop it, and incorporate it in your learning journey to benefit others.</p>
Art/Toi Ataata	<p><b>Jack Parsons W3</b> - Thank you for the thoughtful and enthusiastic contributions that you've made to our class discussions as we begin Art for Term four. We are lucky to have such a confident and positive student in the class!</p> <p><b>Axle Whitehead W3</b> - Thank you for the enthusiastic and thoughtful attitude that you brought to Art as we start Term four. We are lucky to have such a positive and hardworking student in the class!</p>
Food Technology	<p><b>Owen Mcgrath W3</b> - You had a very successful session in food tech due to your understanding of measurement and ability to follow the step by step instructions on a recipe. It's fantastic to see a Year 8 managing themselves so well, especially with Year 9 just around the corner. Tino pai to mahi Owen.</p> <p><b>Blake Morgan W3</b> - You had a very successful session in food tech due to your understanding of measurement and ability to follow the step by step instructions on a recipe. It's fantastic to see a Year 8 managing themselves so well, especially with Year 9 just around the corner. Tino pai to mahi Blake.</p>

## Celebrations

👍 Congratulations to this week's recipient of our values trophy, **Raphael O'Brien, P3**. This award is given out each week to a role model student. "All that I value I will uphold - he tohu whakamanawa." Raphael has developed into a young man who displays many of our school values.

👍 Congratulations to this week's merit award winners.

👍 Thank you again to **Annette Binnie** from St Johns, who took Waiteti classes through Clued Up Camper.

👍 Well done to **Maddy Newcombe**, who captained the NZ mighty 11 girls team who raced against the Aussies last weekend.

👍 Good luck to our Kids Lit Quiz competitors, who headed over to Tauranga Intermediate today with Whaea Lisa and Mrs Vos: **Alex King, Emma Salisbury, Sylvie Brears, Joshua Ford, Trixie Dakin Hoy, Elsie Papps, Harriet Wright, Loki Baldwin, Holly Mei Lazenby, Evelyn May, Daniel Parker, Cassie Bernt.**

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

<http://bit.ly/MokoiaFacebook>

## Our School Values

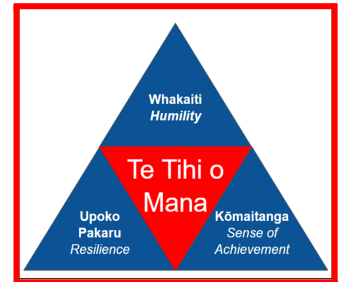
### Whanaungatanga

**He hono tangata e kore e motu; kāpā he taura waka e motu.**

*Connections between people cannot be severed whereas those of a canoe-rope can.*

Maintaining strong relationships is vital for the wellbeing of all whānau. Regardless of the ups and downs of life and the many difficulties we encounter, this whakataukī reminds us to cherish and appreciate our loved ones to ensure that we do not take one another for granted. When we understand this it can assure individuals that they are not alone or isolated in times of need.

[https://www.waikato.ac.nz/\\_data/assets/pdf\\_file/0008/480788/He-Kare-aa-roto-Full-Booklet-for-download.pdf](https://www.waikato.ac.nz/_data/assets/pdf_file/0008/480788/He-Kare-aa-roto-Full-Booklet-for-download.pdf)



## School Loop App

The Skool Loop app is available on Google Play or the App store. The Skool Loop app is updated weekly with all our newsletters. It is NOT the @School Parent App we will be using to replace Seesaw.



Thanks to the below businesses for sponsoring our school app:

# Mokoia Intermediate School

Thanks to the below businesses for sponsoring our school app:



If you would like to advertise on Intermediate Loop App please email [Content@skoolloop.com](mailto:Content@skoolloop.com)

to advertise on Intermediate Loop App

To download our app: In Google Play & App Store search 'Skool Loop' & choose School once installed.

## All our school news in one place!

Download Skool Loop today

**Simple free download:** In Google Play & App Store search 'Skool Loop' and choose our school once installed.