

# MOKOIA INTERMEDIATE NEWSLETTER



TERM 4 WEEK 9 | 13TH DECEMBER 2024

## MATUA RAWIRI'S SHOUT OUT

Kia Ora Parents, Caregivers, and Whānau,

Te matamata o te rangi, te kauwhata o te whenua, te taumata o te moana, ka hira e!

From the heights of the sky, to the prestige of the land, to the bounty of the seas, they must always be celebrated!

Esteemed guests, parents, teachers, and most importantly, the students of Mokoia Intermediate. Today, we celebrate the culmination of another remarkable year filled with growth, achievements, and unforgettable memories. As we reflect on the past year, it is with immense pride and joy that we acknowledge the incredible accomplishments of our students.

First and foremost, I want to express my deepest gratitude to our dedicated and passionate teachers. Your unwavering commitment to our students' education and well-being is truly commendable. You have gone above and beyond, inspiring and nurturing our students to reach their potential.

To our students, this year has been a testament to your hard work and determination. You have shown immense growth, both academically and personally, throughout the year. Your achievements, big and small, deserve to be celebrated. Whether it was excelling in the classroom, showcasing your talents in the arts, or demonstrating outstanding sportsmanship on the field, you have made us all incredibly proud.

But let us not forget that success is not solely measured by academic achievements. It is also about the friendships forged, the lessons learned, and the character developed along the way. At Mokoia Intermediate, we strive to create an environment where every student feels valued, supported, and empowered to be their authentic selves. We celebrate diversity, kindness, and respect, knowing that these qualities will shape you into compassionate and responsible global citizens.

As we bid farewell to another year, let us take a moment to express our gratitude to the parents and caregivers who have been our unwavering support system. Your trust, involvement, and encouragement have played a vital role in the success of our students. Your partnership with our school community is invaluable, and we are grateful for your continued support.

The Board wishes to thank all stakeholders who have supported our vision and direction this year. Our 'WHY' is the students, so giving teachers the support needed to enhance student achievement is our priority. Thank you again.

To our departing students Year 8's, as you embark on the next chapter of your educational journey, remember the lessons you have learned here at Mokoia Intermediate. Embrace new challenges with confidence, embrace failure as an opportunity to grow, and always strive for excellence.

In closing, I want to express my heartfelt congratulations to all our students for their outstanding achievements this year. Your hard work, dedication, and passion have made Mokoia Intermediate shine brightly. As we look towards the future, I have no doubt that each and every one of you will continue to make a positive impact on the world.

Thank you, and may you all have a safe and joyful holiday season. Merry Christmas!

Signing off for 2024 – Matua Rawiri

We are limitless! We are passionate! We are Mokoia!



## KEY DATES FOR TERM 1 2025

### Term 1 Week 1

- Monday 27th January - Auckland Anniversary
- Tuesday, 28 January - Teacher Only Day (No School)
- Wednesday, 29 January - Hello, Let's Grow: Whanau Introduction Day
- Thursday 30th January - Powhiri for new students and staff 9:30am

### Term 1 Week 2

- Thursday 6th February - Waitangi Day (No School)

### Term 1 Week 3

- Monday 10th February - Yr8 Vaccination Education

### Term 1 Week 4

- Friday 21st February - Sports Leaders Day

### Term 1 Week 8

- Wednesday 19th March - Yr 8 Vaccinations

### Term 1 Week 11

- Friday 11th April - Last Day

## KEY DATES FOR 2025

**Term 1** - Wednesday 29th January - Friday 11th April

**Term 2** - Monday 28 April to Friday 27 June

**Term 3** - Monday 14 July to Friday 19 September

**Term 4** - Monday 6 October - Thursday 11th Dec

## Celebrations

👍 Thank you to Lisa Quirk for the beautiful photos she took of the students attending Prom. It was a magical night with lots of smiles and laughter all round.

👍 Congratulations to all the students who received an award at prize giving today.

## Hello, Let's Grow: Whanau Introduction Day

Mokoia Intermediate's first day open in 2025 is Wednesday 29th January for our "Hello, Let's Grow: Whanau Introduction Day".

School is open for the day however students only attend for their 15 minute scheduled meeting time, accompanied by you. A notice about this will go out next week and bookings for this can be made via Hero from then. You can book in with your child's teacher as well as any of our specialist teachers for technology or sport.

We strongly encourage both you and your child to make a time, as this is a great opportunity to meet their teacher and share any important information before the school year begins.

The first day of classes for all students is Thursday 30th January. All students will go to their classes to drop off their belongings and then we will be having a powhiri to welcome all new students and staff at 9:30am. Whanau are welcome to attend.

## 2024 PRIZE WINNERS

Class Academic and Values Awards			
Class	School Values	Diligence	Excellence
K3	Paige Ramson	Maya Gebert	Emma Salisbury
K4	Malakai Fitzell-Waru	Jack Hayward-Bray	Jade Quirk
K5	Kiri Riley	Chloe Pabst	Eddie Lewis
P1	Isabelle Paul	Ivy Costello	Jurij Firm
P2	Charlotte Hodge	Jonty Macpherson	Sam Jensen
P3	Ryan Stevens	Ethan Hucker	Abbey Garden
P4	Ellie Smith	Fraser Barclay	Jessica Ward
W1	Lincoln Wainohu	Charlotte Woerd	Harriet Wright
W2	<u>Rangituahiahi</u> Barrett	Yhana Ilao	Gurparteeek Singh
W3	Hannah Rossiter	Paige Harrison	Matthew Fowler
W4	Aria Leonard-Robinson	Olivia Filipo	Ollie Pemberton

Technology	
Year 7	Lucas Dakin-Hoy
Year 8	Tyler Watson
The Phil Gibb Award for Excellence in Wood Technology	Evan Steere
Science (Trophy)	Leana Gaugler



## 2024 PRIZE WINNERS

### Performing and Creative Arts

Performing Arts Award - Shaun Douglas (Trophy)	Clodagh McCann
Creative Arts Award - Del Porter (Trophy)	Simon Lescheid
Performing Arts Award - Dance (Certificate)	Charlotte Woerd
Year 7 Speech Winner	Cameron Guest
Year 8 Speech Winner	Charlotte Woerd

### Sports Awards

	Year 7 Boy	Year 7 Girl	Year 8 Boy	Year 8 Girl
Cross Country (Certificates)	Jack Bradcock	Sofia Chapman	Matthew Wallace	Grace Fry
Mountain Biking (Certificates)	Arlo Gray	Laksmi Leuchs	Matthew Wallace	Maddy Newcombe

### Hockey

Most Outstanding Player(trophy)	Matthew Wallace and Jack Bradcock
Most Valuable Player (Certificate)	Hayley Gribble
Most Improved Player (trophy)	Sammy Carter
Sportsmanship (Trophy)	Parker Mouin

### Rugby Girls - (Certificates)

Most Outstanding Player -	Aria Biddle
Sportsmanship-	Rongomai Paul
Girls Rugby - Player of the Year (Trophy)	Aiesha Harrison

## 2024 PRIZE WINNERS

### Futsal Girls - (Certificates)

Most Outstanding Player -	Hayley Gribble
Most Valuable Player -	Anika Greyling
Most improved Player -	Zoe Scott and Pacey Bennett

### Cricket (Certificates)

Most Outstanding Player -	Edward Twiddy
Most valuable Player -	Matthew Fowler
Most improved Player -	Eddie Lewis

### Athletics - (Certificates)

Year 7 Girl	Eden Revill
Year 7 Boy	Jasper Herbert
Year 8 Girl	Grace Fry
Year 8 Boy	Gideon Swart

### Swimming Sports

Year 7 Girl (Trophy)	Sofia Chapman
Year 7 Boy (Trophy)	Matthew Fowler
Year 8 Girl (Trophy)	Hana Palfrey
Year 8 Boy (Trophy)	Xavier Peters

**Overall - (Plus small trophy to keep) - Criteria:** This student must consistently achieve top placings as well as participate and achieve top results in a range of sporting endeavours.

Top Sports Girl Year 7 (Trophy)	Eden Revill and Sofia Chapman
Top Sports Boy Year 7 (Trophy)	Jack Bradcock
Top Sports Girl Year 8 (Trophy)	Hayley Gribble and Grace Fry
Top Sports Boy Year 8 (Trophy)	Matthew Wallace

## 2024 PRIZE WINNERS

Special Awards	
Student Council Chairperson (Trophy) (Plus small trophy to keep and Voucher)	Leana Gaugler
Ngā Pōtiki Ngau Papawai	
Te iti rearea teitei kahikātea ka taea	Cataleya Wrigley-Pari
Te kārearea rere <u>whakaaweawe</u>	Puha Te Wharau Pirika-Petelo/Noah Thompson
Te mangemange kōhukihuki whirikaha	Alyvia Charity
Te rūrū te <u>terekou</u> kōkou mārangaranga	Riah Anderson
Te rimurimu whakatere moana hīpokioki nehenehe	Te Haeata o Te Rangi May
Te kākā whakatakāpōkai te huruhuru o Tamatekapua	Charnz Fraser
Academic Awards	
Ngati Whakaue Award for progress in Numeracy and Literacy (Certificate)	Majesty Wairama-Galvin
Success Through Reading (Trophy donated by the Sutton family)	Harry Graham
Exceptional progress in Mathematics (Trophy donated by the Samuel family)	Cooper Murphy
Holster-Haidzir Academic Excellence Trophy (Trophy donated by the Holster-Haidzir family)	Harriet Wright

Scholarships	
NumberWorks 2025 Improvement and success in Maths	Eben Shaw
St. David's Scholarship Award Yr 8 for RLHS (\$200.00) x 3	Amaia Grant Dane Swart Rihari Riley
<b>Academic Excellence 2024 - Criteria:</b> This student must consistently achieve high academic results as well as participate and achieve top results in a range of academic endeavours such as Kids Lit Quiz, Kiwi Competitions, and the Science Fair.	
Year 7 Academic Excellence (Trophy) (Plus small trophy to keep)	Abbey Garden
Year 8 Academic Excellence (Trophy) (Plus small trophy to keep)	Jurji Firm





## 2024 PRIZE WINNERS

### Rugby Boys - (Certificates)

Most Outstanding Player -	Gideon Swart
Sportsmanship-	Ryver Hodge
Boys Rugby - Player of the Year (Trophy)	Tama-Tu Tule White

### Gymnastics - (certificates)

Most outstanding gymnast	Zoe Scott
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### Waterpolo - (Trophy)

Most Outstanding Player	Matthew Fowler
Most Improved	Olivia Filipo

### Basketball - (Certificates)

Most valuable Player -	Boys: Xavier Hodge-Roberts Girls: Claudia Dunn
Most Outstanding Player -	Boys: Ty VanDoorne Girls: Isabelle Paul
Most improved Player -	Boys: Zee Graham and Jayland Heta-Nicholas- Edmonds Girls: Sienna-May Cunningham

### Netball - (Certificates)

Most Outstanding Player -	Riah Anderson
Most valuable Player -	Isabelle Paul
Most improved Player -	Te Arikinui Heretaunga

### Football - (Certificates)

Most Outstanding Player -	Taine Dyson
Most valuable Player -	Elliot Atkinson
Most improved Player -	Ari Turkington

## CHECK IT OUT....

### New Zealand Traveller Declaration

Going overseas this summer? Everyone travelling into, or returning to, New Zealand must complete a New Zealand Traveller Declaration.

The New Zealand Traveller Declaration collects travel, customs, immigration and biosecurity information and aims to improve the safety and security of New Zealand. It replaces the paper card you used to fill out on the plane.

To make your arrival easier, do your digital declaration before your flight to New Zealand. It's free to complete.

If you're travelling as a family or group and completing multiple declarations, the NZTD app allows you to copy your travel details into another declaration, making it easier to complete multiple declarations for the same journey. The submitted declarations are then all easy to see within the app.

Head to [travellerdeclaration.govt.nz](https://travellerdeclaration.govt.nz) today!



## SCHOOL LUNCHES



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## !!IMPORTANT NOTICE!

**Lunchonline will not be  
taking orders from  
13/12/2024 to  
28/01/2025 for the  
following provider(s):**

- **Pita Pit Rotovegas**

**The reason for the  
blocked dates is: 2024  
Lunch deliveries finish  
12th December. 2025  
Lunch deliveries start  
29th January.**