

# MOKOIA INTERMEDIATE NEWSLETTER



TERM 1 WEEK 9 | 28TH MARCH 2025

## WHAEA KATHRYN'S SHOUT OUT

Kia ora e te whānau,

As we approach the final few weeks of the term, our school is buzzing with activity! It's been wonderful to see our students embracing so many different opportunities across academics, sports, and the arts. Whether they're representing our school in competitions, preparing for performances or pushing themselves to achieve new learning goals in the classroom, we are incredibly proud of their efforts and enthusiasm.

This week, we began our school photos with local photographer Jasmin Boyce. It was fantastic to see our students looking their best and capturing special memories of their school year. We can't wait to share the final images with you! Keep an eye on your inbox early next term for a link to your child's photo gallery so you can view and order their pictures.

Last Friday, our staff took part in the Ministry of Education Professional Learning and Development (PLD) for the revised New Zealand Mathematics Curriculum, led by Amy Chakif. This was an invaluable opportunity for our teaching and learning support assistants to dive deeper into the upcoming changes and consider how best to support our tamariki in their learning journey. These curriculum updates will shape the way we teach and assess student progress in the coming years, ensuring our learners develop the skills and knowledge they need for the future.

To help whānau better understand these changes, we warmly invite you to our Whānau Evening next Tuesday from 5:45pm - 6:45pm. This will be a great opportunity to hear more about the revised curriculum, ask questions, and discuss how it will impact your child's education. We strongly encourage you to come along and be part of the kōrero—your input and engagement are always valued.

As always, thank you for your ongoing support. We love seeing our school community so engaged, and we look forward to finishing the term on a high note!

Ngā mihi nui

Whaea Kathryn and the Mokoia 'A' Team

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



## KEY DATES FOR TERM 1 2025

### Term 1 Week 10

- Monday 31st March - Hockey Trial Two
- Monday 31st March - Wednesday 2nd April - Individual Photos
- Tuesday 1st April - Whānau Curriculum Evening
- Thursday 3rd April - Friday 4th April - Sibling / Cousin Photos
- Friday 4th April - Super 11 Touch
- Friday 4th April - Fluro Friday Fundraiser

### Term 1 Week 11

- Friday 11th April - Haka Competition
- **Friday 11th April - Last Day**

## KEY DATES FOR 2025

### Term 1

**Ends** - Friday 11th April

### Term 2

**Starts** - Monday 28 April

**Tuesday 13th May - TOD - No School**

**Ends** - Friday 27 June

### Term 3

**Starts** - Monday 14 July

**Ends** - Friday 19 September

### Term 4

**Starts** - Monday 6 October

**Ends** - Thursday 11th Dec



## KEY DATES FOR TERM 2 2025

### Term 2 Week 1

- **Monday 28th April - Term Two Starts**

### Term 2 Week 3

- Monday 12th May - Super 11 Golf
- **Tuesday 13th May - TOD - No School**

### Term 2 Week 4

- Monday 19th May - Friday 23rd May - Clued Up Camper
- Monday 19th May - BOP Golf Finals
- Monday 19th May - Board Hui 6pm - 8pm
- Friday 23rd May - Super 11 Futsal

### Term 2 Week 6

- Wednesday 4th June - Yr 7 Boostrix
- Friday 6th June - Mountain Biking Super 11

### Term 2 Week 7

- Tuesday 10th June - Epro8 Semi Finals
- Wednesday 11th June - Epro8 Semi Finals / Epro8 Grand Finals
- Thursday 12th June - Epro8 Grand Finals
- Friday 6th June - Mountain Biking Super 11

### Term 2 Week 8

- Monday 16th - Board Hui 6pm - 8pm

### Term 2 Week 9

- Wednesday 25th June - RGHS Leadership Day
- Friday 27th June - Haka Competition
- **Friday 27th June - Last Day of Term**



## **Camp 2025 Payments**

This year we are attending our camp at Ōhope. This week, you will have received a notice regarding our upcoming school camp. Attendance at camp is an essential part of our Education Outside the Classroom program, and all students are expected to participate.

As always, we strive to make camp both enriching and as affordable as possible. While Mokoia Intermediate has opted into the Ministry of Education's Donation Scheme, schools are still able to ask for a donation towards overnight school camps. This means:

- ✓ Families can choose to contribute in full, in part, or not at all.
- ✓ All students will attend camp, regardless of whether a contribution is been made.

Due to rising costs for accommodation, transport, food, and staff allowances, we are asking families for a contribution of \$150.00 to help cover expenses. This support enables us to continue providing this valuable learning experience for our students.

You will notice on Hero (under Finance) that all students have been invoiced for camp. This is to allow families to make a full or partial contribution at any time, with the option to spread payments across the year. If, for any reason, your child is unable to attend camp, any payments made can either roll over to the following year or be credited back to your account.

We appreciate your support in making camp a memorable and rewarding experience for all our tamariki. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to reach out.

## **Whānau Curriculum Hui**

We warmly invite all our whānau to join us for our **Whānau Curriculum Information Evening on Tuesday, 1st April, from 5:45pm to 6:45pm in the school hall.**

The New Zealand Curriculum has recently undergone a significant refresh, designed to better support our ākonga (students) in their learning journey. These updates focus on clearer learning progressions, stronger connections to real-world skills, and a more inclusive approach to education.

This evening is a great opportunity to:

- ✓ Learn about the key changes in the new curriculum and what they mean for your child.
- ✓ Understand how the new curriculum compares to the previous levels you've seen in school reports.
- ✓ See how learning at Mokoia Intermediate will align with these changes.
- ✓ Ask any questions or share any thoughts you may have.

We are here to share, inform, and support you through these changes. We look forward to seeing you there!

A survey has been put out on Hero around attendance. If you are considering attending, could you please take the time to answer the survey to give us an indication of numbers.





# MERIT AWARD WINNERS

<b>K1 Rumaki</b>	<b>Te Uru Te Kiri</b> - He kaha tēnei tama ki te whai i ngā tohutohu a te kaiako me te tutuki i āna mahi katoa ia wiki. He tama hūmārie, he tama ngakau mahaki, he tama whakaaro nui ki te whakaako. Kai runga noa atu e tama.
<b>K2 Rumaki</b>	<b>Lennox Waldron</b> - He tohu whakamana tēnei ki a koe Lennox mō tō kaha ki te whakahua i ngā kupu Māori kia tika, tō koi hoki ki te whakaoti i ngā mahi marau katoa. Waihoki, me mihi ka tika ki a koe e tama mō tō māia ki te taki i ngā karakia. Haramai te toki Lennox!
<b>K3</b>	<b>Millie Coull - Roberts</b> - You have had a fantastic week and start to your year 8 journey! You are an incredible asset to K3 and we are so lucky to have you in class with us. You show our school values each and every day - and are always willing to help anyone who may need it. You should be incredibly proud of yourself for your actions and keep up the amazing work! Keep being you Millie! Ka Rawe!
<b>K4</b>	<b>Stian Fourie</b> - Well done for consistently demonstrating the Mokoia Way! You always approach things with a positive attitude, show kindness and care to your peers, and complete your mahi to an excellent standard. Keep up the fantastic work!
<b>K5</b>	<b>Lania Singh</b> - You consistently demonstrate commitment and energy towards completing your learning tasks. You work with good focus and effort, producing quality work. I am so grateful you are able to model to your peers the positive attributes of a Mokoia student. Tau ke!
<b>P1</b>	<b>Sara Pineda Rodriguez</b> - You're an excellent example of someone who is consistently showing the Mokoia Way. Your kind and helpful nature is evident by the way you interact with your peers and carry out everyday tasks. Thank you for being you, I really enjoy having you in P1.
<b>P2</b>	<p><b>Brooke Abbot</b> - For the perseverance and resilience you are showing consistently. Especially when it comes to working out your math equations and Writer's Toolbox Learning Journey. Brilliant effort!!! 📚📖😊</p> <p><b>Sienna van Doorne</b> - You are enthusiastic towards all areas of your learning. You have great time management, approach all tasks using Te Tihi o Mana, and seek support when you need clarification. I appreciate you Sienna, keep being you 🗣️📚📖😊</p>
<b>P3</b>	<p><b>Fergus Hofmann</b> - for the way you have settled into our class. You are positive, full of enthusiasm and always ready to share your ideas. I like the way you are managing yourself. We are really lucky to have you in P3. Thank you Fergus. 😊🍀</p> <p><b>Ellie Chen</b> - for your beautiful manners and the amazing presentation of your work. Your self confidence has improved and you will ask for help when you need it. It has been fantastic to see you fully involved during PE. We love having you in P3. 🍀</p>
<b>P4</b>	<b>Aramis Challis-Hati</b> - for being consistently cheerful and polite. It is a real pleasure having you in P4.
<b>W2</b>	<p><b>Samantha Webster</b> - Ūpoko Pakaru - Samantha is a self directed learner. She knows how to move on with her next task and ask for help when she is in doubt. Ka Pai koe Samantha!</p> <p><b>Leelah Heke- Lewis</b> - Ūpoko Pakaru - Leelah is actively participating in all class, group and her own learning. Ka Mau Te Wehi Leelah!</p>
<b>W3</b>	<b>Tanishka Kaki</b> - You consistently demonstrate the school's values through your politeness, organisation, and dedication. Your growth mindset and ownership of your learning make you a great role model. Keep up the fantastic work!
<b>W4</b>	<b>Mason Feck</b> - For the awesome effort you have been putting into your handwriting. You take on board feedback really well Mason, and then apply it in order to improve your letter formation and placement. Keep up the fantastic work.



## UTUHINA MERIT AWARD WINNERS - TECHNOLOGY

<b>Hard Materials</b>	<p><b>Iziah Te Whata - P1 :</b> Iziah, What an amazing week. You were so engaged and involved in class, finishing your work to an amazing standard. I loved how you took the initiative after you finished, grabbed a broom and started cleaning. Keep up the great work!</p> <p><b>Tessa La'aiva - K4 :</b> Tessa, you are always such a positive person to have in class. You always show up ready to learn and have a great attitude! Keep up the great work!</p>
<b>Art/Toi Ataata</b>	<p><b>Brooke Abbot P2:</b> Brooke the work you have been producing in Art this term is beautiful! You are a thoughtful, hardworking and highly skilled student. It is a pleasure having you in the class. Keep shining bright!</p> <p><b>Elijah Harvey K5:</b> Elijah I love the way you always share your ideas during class discussions in Art! You are thoughtful and insightful. We are lucky to have such a positive, hardworking and inspiring student in the class. You are a star!</p> <p><b>Reuben Barter K3:</b> Reuben you have produced some excellent work in Art this term! The self portrait that you have been creating is innovative and interesting. Your skills have gone from strength to strength. You should be proud of your efforts. Well done!</p> <p><b>Salara Fitzell P1:</b> Salara you have produced some beautiful work in Art this term and should be very proud of your efforts! Thank you for being such a thoughtful and positive member of the class. He whetū koe!</p>
<b>Food Technology</b>	<p><b>Kiah-May Ranclaud K1 -</b> Kiah-May, you are really showing your leadership skills in class. You have learnt so much throughout the term and you are willing to share this knowledge with your peers as you support them through their mahi. It's such a pleasure seeing you grow in Food Technology.</p> <p><b>Tycho Frickey P2-</b> I was so impressed watching you cook your hot cakes with such confidence. I really appreciated your help. You were able to cook confidently and independently while I was able to help the rest of the class. Well done and thank you!</p>

## Congratulations

A huge congratulations to Ikimoke Uerata from K2 who came 2nd at the 2025 BMX NZ National championships last week in the 11yr - 12yr Cruiser Male and 5th in the 12yr old Boys. It is always so wonderful to see our students out there giving it there best on the national level. We are all so proud of Ikimoke and wish him all the best for his other races this year.

## Values Winners Week 8 and 9

A big congratulations to our Values winners for the last two weeks.

Puarenga - Lagan P1, Abbey P4, Emma P3 and Tycho P2

Waiteti - Henare W4, Southern W2, Cef W3, Maia W4

Kaituna - County K2, Iziah K5, Siddhu K3, Skyla K4



**DON'T FORGET!!!!!!**



We've got a couple of exciting updates as we head into Term Two!

**Kids Fitness Class - Launching Thursday, May 1st**

We're looking to launch a Kids Fitness Class at BFT starting Thursday, May 1st at 3:30pm, the first week of Term Two!

This class is designed for kids aged 8-16 years and will introduce them to the fun and fundamentals of fitness in a safe, supportive environment. Each week, they'll:

- Learn the basics of fitness and functional movement
- Get hands-on with basic gym set-up and safety
- Train using our Gym ETA kits through fun, structured workouts
- Build strength, confidence, coordination, and healthy habits

**When: Thursdays at 3:30pm, starting May 1st**

**Who: Kids aged 8-16**

**Cost: \$150 per child for the full term (Must pay upfront)**

**Where: BFT Rotorua, 1230 Fenton Street**

We'll go ahead with the class if we get enough interest, so if your child is keen to get involved, just reply to this email or have a chat with us at the gym!  
Term 2 Timetable Updates

We're also making a few adjustments to our regular class schedule for Term Two:

- Saturday sessions will return to 6:00am and 7:10am
  - The 5:00pm classes (Monday-Friday) will be shifting slightly to 5:15pm
- These changes will kick in from the start of Term Two - Monday, April 28th. Thanks for being part of the BFT fam, we're looking forward to an epic term ahead!

Any questions or concerns, feel free to reach out.  
Cheers,

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FB: kahukura junior rugby club

\$10 FEES includes  
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AGE 5-13 YEARS  
14-25th April  
**SCHOOL HOLIDAYS**

**DAILY SCHEDULE:**  
8-9.30: Intro and Games  
9.30-10.30: Gym Sport Skills  
10.30-11.00: Morning tea break  
11.00-11.30: Free Play  
11.30-2.30: Daily activity & lunch break  
2.30-3.00: Quiet games (SHORT DAY ends)  
3.15-5.15: Afternoon tea and play

**ACTIVITIES:**  
GYMNASTICS  
CIRCUITS & GAMES  
COOKING  
TRAMPOLINE CHALLENGES  
PARKOUR AND MORE



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**DAILY COSTS: 8AM-3.00PM \$45**  
**8AM-5.15PM \$55**

**Week 1**  
Monday 14th April: Circuits -using all the equipment  
Tuesday 15th April: Craft Day  
Wednesday 16th April: Fun in the Kitchen -will it be savoury or sweet?  
Thursday 17th April: T-Day (Towers, Trampoline, Tag.....)  
Friday 18th April: **CLOSED** for GOOD FRIDAY

**Week 2**  
Monday 21st April: **CLOSED** for EASTER MONDAY  
Tuesday 22nd April: Teams & Challenges Day  
Wednesday 23rd April: Trampoline & Tumble Day  
Thursday 24th April: Equipment Day  
Friday 25th April: **CLOSED** for ANZAC DAY

**EACH DAY INCLUDES AN HOUR OF LEARNING SPECIFIC GYM SPORT SKILLS**

**DAILY REQUIREMENTS:**

Children need to be dressed in appropriate clothing for active play. They are to bring their morning tea & lunch, some afternoon tea for the Full Day bookings, a named water bottle and socks for trampoline use.

We reserve the right to alter the daily schedule depending on the enrolled numbers.

Terms and Conditions apply, see them at  
[www.migs.co.nz](http://www.migs.co.nz)

**OSCAR FORMS ARE REQUIRED TO BE INTO THE OFFICE, 2 WEEKS PRIOR TO HOLIDAYS START DATE.**  
email: [admin@migs.co.nz](mailto:admin@migs.co.nz)

MID-ISLAND GYM SPORTS

**CHECK IT OUT!**

## 2025 Kiwi English, Mathematics & Science Competitions

**Registrations are now open!**



The competitions are open to all Year 5-10 students in English, Mathematics and Science. Students can enter in one or more subjects. Each competition will provide parents/caregivers with an individual student report of their child's overall performance. These are available through your school. If you are interested in your child taking part please do so via the HERO post.



## MOKOIA INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL

### 2025 lunches

**PITA PIT – everyday**

**Orders close at 8:45am each day**

**Yummy, delicious, healthy lunches delivered to School**



If you need a Lunchonline account register at [www.lunchonline.co.nz](http://www.lunchonline.co.nz)

1. Login/Place an Order
2. Create an account
3. Add member/s include name, school and classroom number
4. Under Lunch Orders select student name – Start order and place your order
5. A pop up will confirm 'your order has been successful' or check 'upcoming orders'
6. A confirmation email will be sent to you (if you haven't unchecked the email box)
7. Any queries please call us on 0800 LOL LOL (0800565565)

### Hot Lunches

- Mince Pie - \$6.50
- Mince & Cheese Pie - \$6.50
- Mini Mince Pie - \$5.00
- Mini Mince & Cheese Pie - \$5.00
- Sausage Roll - \$4.50
- Chicken Nuggets - \$4.50
- Wedges - \$4.00
- Loaded Wedges - \$5.00
- Beef Lasagne - \$5.50
- Butter Chicken on Rice - \$5.50
- Cheesy Mac with Ham - \$5.50



**CHECK IT OUT!**

## FRIDAY FOOTBALL FUN FOR THE GIRLS!

Celebrate the launch of a new U8 and U10 GIRLS' ONLY Football competition in Rotorua by joining us on our Friday Football Fun Roadshow!

- Have a go at football
- Learn some new skills
- Bring your friends and have fun!
- Its FREE!

**All PRIMARY SCHOOL  
aged Girls welcome.**

**Fridays 3.45pm - 4.45pm**

**28th February** Ngongotaha  
Football Club, Stenbridge Rd  
**7th March** Otonga School  
**14th March** Lynmore School  
**21st March** Selwyn School  
**28th March** Puarenga Park

**COME TO ONE, OR COME TO THEM ALL!**

To register Txt your name, age and email address to  
Catherine 021 634 807, or just come along on the day.  
For updates and cancellations visit  
[www.facebook.com/lakesfcgirls](https://www.facebook.com/lakesfcgirls)



## 2025 WINTER REGISTRATION OPEN NOW!

### Lakes Football Club

We're a whanau-friendly club offering football and futsal for all ages, from kids to adults, in our community.

Our focus is on having fun, fostering a love for football, and growing together.

Winter Season: Open to players 5th grade and up (turning 5 this year).

Training Locations: We have teams from all over Rotorua, we can put your Tamariki in a team near you.

Girls' Pathway: Dedicated programs to grow female participation.

Find us on Facebook and Instagram:  
Lakes Football Club

Email us for more info:  
[office@lakesfc.co.nz](mailto:office@lakesfc.co.nz)

**Junior Open Day  
March 22  
Follow us for more details**



**[www.lakesfc.com](http://www.lakesfc.com)**

## Waiariki Football Club Youth and Juniors 2025

**The Beautiful Game Football School.**

**Training with Sergio has started up again for 2025 Term1.**

This happens at Neil Hunt Park on  
Tuesdays and Thursdays 4.15pm – 5.45pm.  
Contact Sergio on 021 116 9547 to be added to  
the WhatsApp group for updates and

[2025 Winter Season  
Registration of Interest](#)

[www.sporty.co.nz/viewform/220128](http://www.sporty.co.nz/viewform/220128)

### SATURDAY PRESEASON FUN DAYS

Scheduled to start March 2025, come down for a brief warm-up and skills sessions followed by age graded games. All welcome.

Follow the Waiariki FC facebook page for updates and Junior registration details.



### YOUTH FOOTBALL:

We are seeking expressions of interest to play the 2025 season in an U16 or U14 squad.

We have a number of talented and dedicated players seeking teammates for the upcoming season.

Come along to any of the club days and have a chat with the team about how we can support you this season or contact Angela on 0274397885 to receive any new information.



