

# MOKOIA INTERMEDIATE NEWSLETTER



TERM 2 WEEK 1 | 2ND MAY 2025

## MATUA RAWIRI SHOUT OUT

Kia ora e te whānau,

Welcome back to Term 2. I hope you have all had a relaxing holiday. Routines, expectations and relationships should be more settled after making it through Term 1.

A warm welcome to Whaea Kerry Huxford, our new Learning Support Co-ordinator and Matua Rangitaiki Paul, a new kaiawhina in whanau rumaki. Welcome to all new students. Nau mai, Haere mai!

This term will be busy and short with only 9 weeks. The challenge is ours to ensure we do as much as we can. Thanks to the students that represented our school at the ANZAC Day ceremony. Your presence plays a huge part in representing our whole school.

Keep up to date with events happening at school, stay connected through newsletters, notices, classroom teacher, hero and facebook

Please contact Whaea Kathryn - Deputy Principal Curriculum or Matua Dean - Deputy Principal Pastoral Care if you have any questions or need support in these areas. They are both open for you to check in and have a discussion.

Ngā mihi nui

Matua Rawiri & the Mokoia 'A' Team

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





## KEY DATES FOR TERM 2 2025

### Term 2 Week 2

- Wednesday 9th May – Year 7 Education Boostrix

### Term 2 Week 3

- Monday 12th May – Super 11 Golf
- **Tuesday 13th May – TOD – No School**
- Friday 16th May – Pink Shirt Day

### 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

- Tuesday 24th June – Mokoia Whānau Conferences
- Wednesday 25th June – RGHS Leadership Day
- Friday 27th June – Haka Competition
- **Friday 27th June – Last Day of Term**

## KEY DATES FOR 2025

### 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

## ANZAC DAY

We would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to all the students and families who took the time to attend the ANZAC Day service. It was incredibly special to see such a strong Mokoia presence at the event, showing your respect and gratitude for those who served and sacrificed for our country.

ANZAC Day is an important part of our national identity, and by taking part in the service, you helped honour the legacy of the soldiers and their families. The messages shared by the speakers were powerful and moving—reminding us of the courage, commitment, and unity that shaped Aotearoa New Zealand. These stories are not just about the past, but also call on us to reflect on the values we carry into the future.

A very special thank you goes to Macy and Willow, who proudly represented Mokoia Intermediate during the service. They laid our school wreath with grace and respect, and we are incredibly proud of the way they carried out this important role.

It was a meaningful and memorable morning, and we thank all of you who made the effort to be there. Lest we forget.

📸 Check out some photos from the service below – including Macy and Willow placing the wreath on behalf of Mokoia.





## **Some Important Reminders**

### **Student Financial Accounts**

This week, whānau will have received an emailed statement outlining their child's current account balance with the school. We would like to begin by sincerely thanking all those who have already made payments.

As communicated earlier, we are asking that all outstanding payments for 2024 and Term One 2025—particularly for sports and voluntary activities such as the RATs Duathlon, Mini Marathon, Productions, and other optional activities—be cleared. These are opportunities students have volunteered to take part in with outside organisations, and they come with associated costs that must be covered by the school.

At the end of last year, the school was carrying a significant amount of unpaid fees, which came at a real cost to Mokoia and continued into Term 1 of this year. In order to sustainably offer the wide range of experiences we're so proud to provide, we need your help to ensure that all of these are paid for.

We kindly ask that all unpaid balances be cleared by Friday 23rd May. Any payments still owing after this date will mean that students will not be able to participate in winter sports codes, voluntary activities, or AIMS Games unless their accounts are up to date. We would like to make it clear that any accounts with a regular automatic payment will be exempt from this.

We understand that student participation in a variety of school activities can result in higher account balances. To make this easier for families, payments can be made through Hero, directly at the school office, or via internet banking.

One helpful option is setting up a regular automatic payment. These are credited to your child's account as "payment in advance" and used throughout the year to cover sports and voluntary activity costs. At the end of the year, you're welcome to choose whether the remaining balance is:

- Rolled over to the next year,
- Reimbursed,
- Or transferred to a sibling still attending Mokoia

If you need support or would like to discuss your child's account, please don't hesitate to get in touch with one of our Deputy Principals. They are here to help and will work with you to make the process as smooth as possible.

We're proud of the diverse range of opportunities available to our students, and we are truly grateful for your ongoing support in helping us continue to offer them.

### **Reminder – Teacher Only Day: Monday 13th May.**

***A reminder to all whānau that our second Teacher Only Day (TOD) is coming up on Tuesday 13th May.***

Unlike our previous TOD, school will be closed for the entire day. This day is set aside to allow our teaching staff to continue their professional learning and deepen their understanding of the new curriculum, ensuring we can provide the best possible learning experiences for your tamariki.

We understand that Teacher Only Days can be challenging for working families, and we truly appreciate your support and understanding as we invest in the ongoing development of our team. Thank you again for your continued support.



# MERIT AWARD WINNERS WEEK 10

<b>K1 Rumaki</b>	<b>Serenade Wade</b> - He kōtiro ngāwari ia. He kaha ia ki te whai wāhi ki te huhua o ngā momo kōrero me ngā momo pūtakenga kōrero. He kōtiro whakapau kaha ana ki te awhi i ētahi atu, ahakoa ko wai. Hurō e hine, noho pūmau tonu koe 😊
<b>K3</b>	<b>Elias Sereni</b> - You have a great attitude and we love the passion and energy that you bring to our classroom! You have created great enjoyment in the game of Chess in our classroom and it is great to see you growing in confidence! Keep up the great work Elias!
<b>K4</b>	<b>Tyronne Yannikakis</b> - Congratulations Tyronne on a fantastic start to the term! You've been staying focused in class, showing great improvement in managing distractions, and engaging positively in discussions. It's great to see you completing your work to such a high standard—keep it up!
<b>K5</b>	<b>Nehchal Kang</b> - Your mini-information report about the Anzacs at Gallipoli was well structured and detailed. You are always on point and make the most of every learning opportunity. Amazing!
<b>P1</b>	<b>Salara Fitzell</b> - Awesome mahi this week. You've had such a great start to term 2 already by showing kindness to others and having a strong work ethic. Thank you for being you, keep it up Salara!
<b>P2</b>	<p><b>Emily Cannon</b> - You have settled back into the class routine fantastically this term. You have approached all tasks with a sense of enthusiasm and you are showing pride and dedication towards your learning. Fantastic effort Emily 🍀😊</p> <p><b>Summer Shoebridge</b> - You have shown you are here to work hard and learn this term Summer. You are taking pride in your work and setting your standards high. It is wonderful to see you setting your bookwork out correctly and really working hard on not only your handwriting in any exercise book, but also dedicating your time to understanding your information writing assignment. Ka pai tō mahi Summer 🍀😊</p> <p><b>Ricky-J Green</b> - You are showing wonderful enthusiasm towards your selected topic for your information writing. I am excited to see the interesting information you discover. Awesome mahi Ricky 🍀😊</p>
<b>P3</b>	<p><b>Coby Steere</b> - For the way you have settled into your learning this term. You are full of enthusiasm and set yourself high standards. I always love seeing the amazing artworks you create. Keep up the fantastic mahi Coby. 🍀😎</p> <p><b>Fiona Fang</b> - For the way you are starting to ask more questions when you need help. You are joining in with your group and gaining more confidence when using Reader's Theatre. You showed lots of effort and wrote a lovely message in the card you created for Whaea Moana. Your artwork is amazing Fiona. 🍀🦋</p>
<b>W1</b>	<b>Braiden Kerrison</b> - For trying hard to stay focused. Small steps at completing his weekly learning. Well Done Braiden, keep up the good work.
<b>W2</b>	For being absolute champions while Whaea Isabel is away.
<b>W3</b>	<b>Kairo Mahara- Kairo</b> - has absolutely smashed it in maths this week! He showed a great understanding of regular and irregular polygons and nailed the different types of triangles. What made it even better was seeing him help out his classmates when they were stuck. Awesome job, Kairo - keep it up!
<b>W4</b>	<b>Isabel Swart</b> - For the fantastic effort you have been putting into maths. You have worked diligently on learning to read an analogue clock and to tell the time in both 12 hour and 24 hour time. I have loved how you have sought help when you were unsure, this shows you are taking responsibility for your learning. Keep up the awesome work!