



Moerewa School

TE KARERE O TE KURA

2 August 2018

Kia ora Whanau,

Change can be scary. It can force us question things we may take for granted. It can create uncertainty and this is why some embrace it, and some struggle with it. This is completely normal. You will have seen recent change in our school, where we moved Rooms 14, 16 and 17 to the Otiria Road side of the school, we started a community garden and you will soon see more change.

Next week contractors will begin fencing our entire school boundary. In places they will replace existing fencing, in other places they will fence inside existing fence lines. This is so we can keep our tamariki safe and is being fully funded by the Ministry of Education.

Later this term will also see contractors start on major renovations to our school pool. We hope to have our tamariki learning to swim in our pool by Christmas.

We are continually asked, "Do I have to ask permission to take vegetables from our community garden?" The answer is no, you may help yourself. We simply ask that you take what you need. If a half a dozen leaves is all you need for you dinner that night, take that rather than the whole plant. If you harvest and end up with extra, offer the remainder to your neighbour. The goal is that our garden helps sustain our community.

Nga mihi mahana,
Jason Tane



We Won't be Striking

You will have heard on the news that primary teachers are striking on the 15th of this month. However because we are a composite Y1 to Y10 school we come under a different collective to those of primary teachers. Our teachers belong to the Area Schools Collective and therefore, while they support the action of their colleagues, are not involved with this strike. School will be open as per normal.

Kahurangi Maori Dance Company - Taonga Show

This company performed for us first thing Monday morning last week which made for a pleasant start to the new term. It was a great performance with the cast sharing stories and songs of the Maori Culture. Some of the students even helped out.



Sausage Sizzle next Thursday 9th August. \$2 each

Whanau Ra are having a sausage sizzle next Thursday as part of their camp fundraising. This will replace normal lunches on that day.



Coming Events

15 August - Y8 Orientation Day BOI College
15 August - Board Meeting 6pm
23 August - School Cross Country
5-7 September - School Art Exhibition
14 September - Interschools Cross Country Waikare

17-20 September - Matariki trip to Hamilton
19 September - Board Meeting 6pm
21 September - Kuku Korero
28 September - Last day of term

Flax.

With the new perimeter fence being erected this term some of the flax bushes on the boundaries will be removed. Matua Jason says if you want some flax – grab it now.

Whanau Kopunui –

Whanau Hui next Wednesday 4,30pm in the staffroom

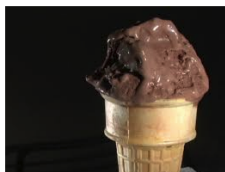
*Update whanau contact numbers.

*Ring 0800moerewa to contact school

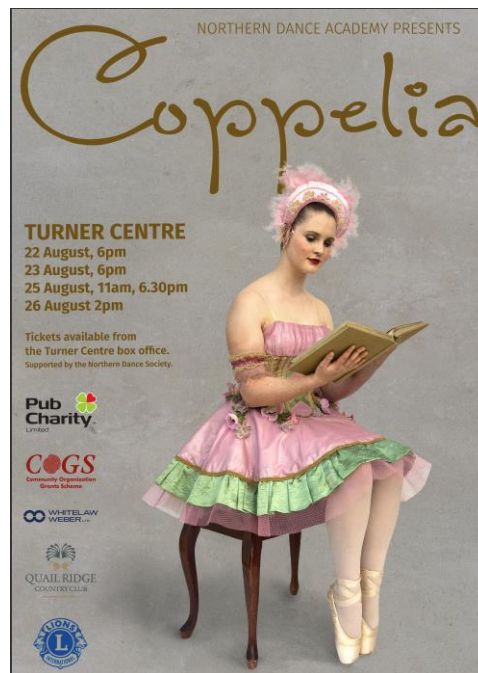
Whaea Anita

Thursday 26 July
Ice-cream

I like ice-cream when it melts on my hand. I like mixing ice-cream and then eating it. Chocolate is my favourite.
YUMMY!!!



By Jamain



Northern Dance Academy presents

Coppelia

at The Turner Centre

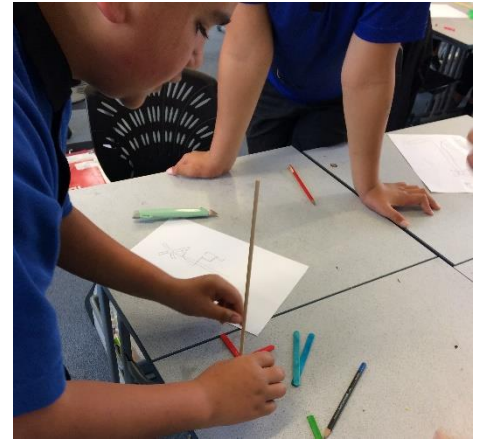
August 22,23,25,26

Tickets from \$15 available from the box office.

Moerewa has one student performing!

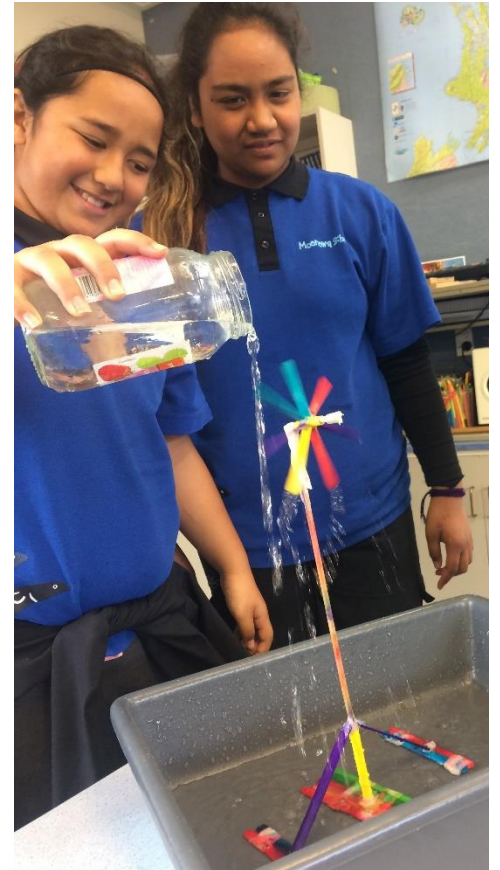
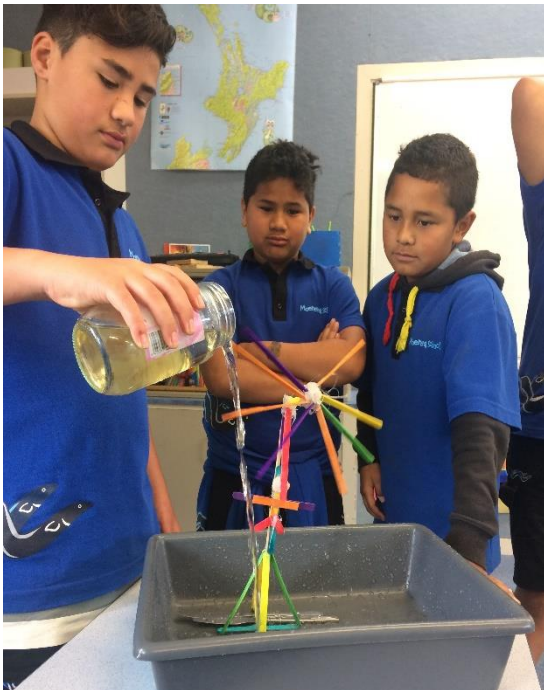
Important Housekeeping

- Please ring and inform the school if your children are being collected by someone other than the authorized parent/caregiver.
- In the mornings please make sure your children know where they are to go when they finish school each day. On those rare occasions when you need to get a message to them changing this make sure, where possible, to ring 0800MOEREWA prior to 1pm. Do not leave a message on the answer phone as there is no guarantee that we will get it. Sometimes the office is not manned in the afternoon and messages won't get through. Also late messages make it difficult to get messages to children in time as well.



Koperu Room 8

As part of our Term 3 Kaupapa we are studying Technology. Last Friday Koperu made water wheels as a way of creating electricity from the water that both surrounds our school and the water that runs beneath the school. Students were put in 3 groups. They were given ice block sticks, doweling, felt tip pens and hot glue guns. They were shown only a picture of a water wheel and were asked to come up with a plan and then make it.





Yesterday we had some guests in our class. They talked about saving endangered animals. Endangered animals means they might go away forever, so the animals need protecting.

Lewis

Two ladies that came to our school from Project Island Song. My favourite thing was looking at a stuffed kiwi and its egg. Andréace



Yesterday we had 2 ladies named Whaea Ria and Whaea Debby come and talk to us about our animals and the pests that are killing our animals. Whaea Ria showed us some traps and how the pests are caught. We also saw a stuffed kiwi that had been killed by a dog. The eggs that the kiwi have are very very big. She taught us lots about the Project Island song and why Project Island has a song in it. The song is to remember our birds, so right now they are trying to help bring the song of the birds back to Project Island.

Jorja



On Monday we learned about killing the pests and we saw a kiwi's egg. It was big and it looked just to cool too. The dumb part was we had to do this in big lunch. It was still cool. They showed us traps. The kiwi trap was deadly. It could take your hand off so watch out for it please!

Mordecai.

Some guests came in from an island in Opua, which is called Project Island Song. They brought some traps like mouse traps and some other stuff. They had ink on a paper that shows what pest is walking across it. By Tim

Yesterday, at big lunch we had two lady's that came from Project Island Song. They came to show us what we will be doing out on the island. I learned why the word song is at the end of Project Island name. It is because there was a song that the bird sang and was destroyed by pests and now the Project Island people are trying to bring them back. By Hawk.

Yesterday afternoon at 12.30 we had some guests come in and give us some information about the Project Island song, and what we will do on the Island. They were telling us about how they got rid of the pests. They said they will show us how to make a trap to bring back to hura. We got to ask questions and have a look at some of the stuff they brought in, like a stuffed kiwi and a kiwi egg. I enjoyed it, it was fun. I learned a lot. They left after we sang a song. Honey alliyah.

ROOM 4

Newsletter Prize

Matua Jason has said that there will be a really cool prize at the end of each term drawn from the number of signed and returned newsletter slips, so please once you have read the newsletter sign and give to your child to return to school. Doing this for every newsletter that goes home in the term will increase their chances of winning but we do ask that you read the newsletters first please.

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I, (caregiver) have read the newsletter and would like my children _____ to be included in the prize draw at the end of term.

Signed _____ Date _____

Caregiver

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